

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES – OCTOBER 18, 2016**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 4:30 p.m. as was duly advertised. Commissioners attending the meeting were President Randy Kleaving and Larry R. James. Unable to attend the meeting was Commissioner Bill Amos. In the absence of County Auditor, Pamela Goffinet, Chief Deputy Auditor Connie Berger took the minutes. County Administrator Teresa Kanneberg also attended the meeting. A *News Representative* from the Perry County News was also there.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PAYROLL

The payroll docket was approved in the amount of \$135,922.01 for the payroll distributed on October 17, 2016. Larry made a motion to approve the docket, and Randy seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

TRANSFER REQUEST

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, presented the commissioners with the following transfer request: \$101.00 from Engineering Services to Lease Rental of Equipment within the Cumulative Bridge Fund. Steve informed the Commissioners that this transfer was needed due to an increase in the lease on the last two pieces of equipment that were purchased. Larry made the motion to approve the transfer request and Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

EQUIPMENT RENTAL RATES

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, presented the commissioners with an updated 2016 Equipment Rental Rate schedule. He explained that the new equipment that was purchased this year had been added to the list of equipment. Larry made the motion and Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

2017 SALARY REQUEST

County Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, explained to the commissioners that he would like to request to the County Council a 3% increase in salary for all highway employees for 2017. At the County Council budget sessions this year they gave a 3% increase to all employees except highway. Larry made the motion to approve Steve asking the County Council for a 3% raise for all highway workers for 2017. Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

AFFIDAVIT FOR PAYMENT

Alvin Evans with the Perry County Development Corporation presented an affidavit to authorize Old National Bank to make certain payments from a Construction Fund established by the Trustee Indenture dated December 1, 2014 between the County and the Trustee. Alvin explained that these invoices will be paid from bond proceeds and that the projects were already approved by the Redevelopment Commission. The invoice for payment is Exhibit A - \$13,916.56 to pay Lochmueller Group for Preliminary Engineering on the Switzer Road Project. Larry made the motion to approve the affidavit, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 2-0.

AFFIDAVIT FOR PAYMENT

Alvin Evans with the Perry County Development Corporation presented an affidavit to the Commissioners for their approval for the I-64 Interchange Sewer Service Feasibility Study on the interchanges of Interstate 64, State Road 37 and State Road 145. He explained that the funds had been appropriated within the Perry County Economic Development fund. The amount being requested for payment to Perry County Development Corporation is \$23,311.93. He stated that Lochmueller Group should be done with the study in a few months. Alvin also presented the Commissioners with letters that will be mailed to two (2) property owners whose property has been identified as a potential site for a natural drip sewage treatment process. These letters will let the property owners know that someone will be on their property to do an archeological survey. Larry made the motion to approve the payment request along with the two (2) letters that will be mailed to property owners. Randy seconded the motion, and motion carried 2-0.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Jim Carter attended the meeting to discuss with the Commissioners how to save money and have an Animal Control Officer. Jim stated that he would like to see one of the Sheriff Deputies be trained as an animal control officer. He has checked with the State and they are not sure if the Public Safety Tax funds can be used for an Animal Control Officer. He stated that if a Deputy did get the training they could receive extra pay. Randy stated that one person cannot work 24/7 as an animal control officer. Jim stated that all deputies could be trained and receive the extra funds. County Sheriff, Alan Malone, stated that he doesn't think we have an animal control problem; all agencies are working together when a call is received. Jim also suggested that maybe the animal control officer could be paid from the Rainy Day fund or could be paid by a contract.

BOARD APPOINTMENT

IDHS District 10 Planning Council - County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg, explained that the Commissioners appointment to this council, John Kleemen, had resigned. She stated that she received a letter of interest from County Sheriff Alan Malone. Larry made the motion to appoint Alan Malone to the District 10 Planning Council and Randy made the second. Motion carried 2-0.

MISCELLANEOUS

Tara Damin, Board Member for IN 15 Regional Planning Commission, explained that IN 15 is applying for a water line grant for residents in Tobin Township. In order for them to complete the grant application an income study has to be conducted of the residents in the area. Letters have been mailed to 130 residents in Tobin Township. She asked the Perry County News along with the Commissioners if they would encourage all residents to complete the survey, so they can finish the grant application.

Alvin Evans with Perry County Development Corporation explained that when affidavits for payment come before the Commissioners, the funding comes from bond issues or EDIT funding and there are several public hearings to start the process. The commissioner's approval is just part of the process. He also stated that TIF funding can only be used for certain things.

Teresa announced that the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held on Monday, November 7, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting ended in open session at 5:20 p.m.

Minutes approved this 7th day of November, 2016.

Randy Kleaving
President

Bill Amos

Larry R. James