

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES – DECEMBER 27, 2016**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00 a.m. as was duly advertised. Commissioners present were President Randy Kleaving and Larry R. James. Bill Amos was absent. Administrator Teresa Kanneberg was also present for the meeting. Attorney Chris Goffinet and a News representative were not able to attend the meeting.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

CLAIMS

The claims dockets were approved in the amounts of \$165,241.65 & \$8,760.51 for county claims; \$165,830.02 for Highway claims and advances of \$137,500.00, \$33,814.39, \$3,756.38 and \$1,807.40 for a total of \$516,710.35 as presented. Larry made the motion to approve the claims, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 2-0. Also presented was the payroll that had been distributed on December 22, 2016 in the amount of \$125,526.61 and Holiday pay in the amount of \$15,047.28. Larry made a motion to approve payroll as presented and Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting of November 15th, 2016 had been sent to the commissioners for their review. Larry made the motion to approve the minutes as written, and Randy seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

JOB DESCRIPTION – ASSESSOR – PART TIME DEPUTY

Assessor, Mendy Lassaline, approached the Commissioners informing them she has an opening in her office and wants to change the job description from full time deputy to part time deputy. Randy jumped in to give some background detail on this position. A few weeks before, the Treasurer had an open position and already posted it as a full time deputy. It has been filled with one of the Assessor's employees. The Courthouse Security Committee talked with Mendy to see if she would consider going with a part time employee. Randy said hopefully in the middle of 2017, we would be putting a metal detector in and would need part time employees to man this. He also said with Mendy willing to try part time, we could use the extra money left for this purpose. The stipulation is that if it doesn't work having part time, Mendy can have her full time position back. The Commissioners thanked her. Larry made the motion to accept the new job description, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 2-0.

NEW OFFICE LOCATIONS – COURTHOUSE

President Randy Kleaving explained that 2 years ago when the County got the Armory from the City of Tell City, we looked into locating the Emergency Management office out there. It was more feasible to renovate the Armory than the current Courthouse Annex located in the City of Cannelton. We have already moved two offices from the Annex to the South Annex, former EMS building. The rest of offices will relocate in the Armory, just needing a spot for Planning & Zoning office. This office is only part time. It is better to move it out here to the Courthouse and the current Veterans office needs to be bigger. So the plan is: Veteran to move into half of the Administrator office, Administrator move into the Emergency Management office, Planning & Zoning will go in the current Veterans office. Then once we have more funds, the other half of the Administrator office will be converted to private restrooms for the employees. Randy said we need talked to the Redevelopment Commission about this. Several employees were present to voice their approval on needing separate restrooms and no space for Planning & Zoning. Randy said that if the EMA space is given to the Clerk for early voting, that knocks out the restrooms. The other side has private restrooms. Randy also commented that once this is done, this should take care of office spaces for a long time. The goal is to work with the Redevelopment Commission to see where the funds are at after the Armory project. Larry made the motion to relocate offices as said and to work in private restrooms, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 2-0.

MISCELLANEOUS

Larry spoke up and said he invited Jim Lewis, Plant Manager at Can Clay, to come forward to the meeting after the article in the paper. He is hoping Can Clay is willing to put money up forward that was offered previously as good faith on their part to compensate the County. Larry said he had talked to Chris, County Attorney about this and he is working on an agreement.

The biggest question is what are Can Clay's intentions? This money would be a commitment up front to show the Redevelopment Commission that Can Clay is serious about keeping open. Larry commented that the County doesn't want the property, just want to see it go back on tax rolls. Jim said that he was told the cost of getting Ice Miller attorneys involved, would be around \$10,000. He asked the Commissioners what they are looking at. Randy commented saying we would need more than \$5,000 to \$10,000 to show good faith to pay toward the lease. Jim said he could get the \$10,000 to start with. Larry said possibly \$30,000 to \$50,000 but he doesn't want to put Jim in a jam.

Treasurer Judy Pund and Cannelton Mayor Mary Snyder both have issues about Can Clay not paying taxes. Judy mentioned there are personal property judgments against them that need to be paid totaling \$40,556.83 before the County can enter into some type of lease agreement. Randy said these are some thoughts going to the Redevelopment Commission meeting on January 4, 2017. He said if Can Clay can pay this by the end of the year, it would go toward the judgments or possibly the lease. These should be paid before continuing to operate. He told Jim that information about the judgments came before them after their last meeting. Jim asked who to make the check out to and where does it go? Randy said to the Treasurer. He said more will be discussed at the Redevelopment Commission meeting.

The Commissioners presented a plaque to Recorder Mary Lee Smith for her years of service and thanked her. There was another plaque for Surveyor Zach DeSpain who was not in attendance.

Teresa announced that the next meeting, being the organizational meeting for 2017, will be held on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting ended in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes approved this 6th day of February, 2017.

Larry R. James

Randy Kleaving

Bill Amos

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