

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION
November 10, 2016

The Grant County Board of Commissioner's met in regular session on November 10, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. in the Grant County Complex Council Chambers at 401 South Adams Street, Marion, IN.

In attendance were Commissioners John Lawson, Mike Burton and Mark Bardsley. Also present were Auditor Roger Bainbridge, Commissioner's Secretary T.C. Hull, and Financials Deputy Stacey Stevens.

Commissioner Lawson called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

Commissioner Bardsley led in prayer. Commissioner Burton led the pledge of allegiance.

Claims

Commissioner Burton moved to formally approve preapproved claims #10048, #10049 and #10050 as presented. Second by Commissioner Bardsley; motion carried 3-0.

Minutes

Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve the minutes for the November 1, 2016 meeting. Second by Commissioner Lawson; motion carried 2-0. Commissioner Burton abstained as he was not present for the meeting on November 1, 2016.

Payroll

This is not a payroll week.

Communications and Board Updates (Elected Officials, Boards, Special Committees)

Commissioner Burton expressed the current director of the East Central Indiana Regional Planning District, Pam Price, is resigning at the end of the year. Commissioner Burton is on a committee that has been interviewing applicants and is hoping to have someone ready for this position on January 1, 2017.

Commissioner Lawson received in the Weights and Measures monthly report for September 16 to October 15, 2016.

Commissioner Burton stated as a reminder he will not be present at the November 15, 2016 Commissioners meeting as he will be in Muncie attending the East Central Indiana Regional Planning District meeting.

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None.

Highway Department

Superintendent David White does have the bridge inspection report finished and will get this sent into INDOT.

Superintendent White has prepared a letter to Gas City Board of Works, regarding a used wood chipper. Superintendent White would like to make an offer of 5000 to purchase the wood chipper. The Highway Department currently has 2 wood chippers, if Superintendent White is able to purchase the chipper from Gas City he will donate an old chipper to the Sheriff's Department for the inmate work crew to use. Superintendent White asked the Commissioners for permission to purchase the chipper from Gas City and donate an old one to the Sheriff's Department inmate work crew. The 5000 is currently in the Highway Department's budget. Commissioner Burton moved to approve the purchase of a wood chipper from the Gas City Board of Works for 5000, and donate the old one to the Sheriff's Department. Second by Commissioner Bardsley; motion carried 3-0.

Superintendent White received a phone call from Steve Kelley, from the Sweetser Switch Trail, asking if the Highway department could put stone along the trail, using the Highway department trucks. Sweetser will purchase the stone; they are just asking if the Highway department can lay the stone with their trucks. Superintendent White wants to make sure he has the ok from the Commissioners to lay the stone for the Sweetser Switch Trail. The Commissioners give the permission for the Highway department to lay stone for the Sweetser Switch Trail.

Superintendent White gave an update on the bridge projects. Bridge #73 on Stone Road, needs work on the easement, there are 4 corners that will be widened to get proper right of way.

Superintendent White received a phone call concerning parcel #1 on Garthwaite Road. Superintendent White will be going to the office of Yasmin Stump on Monday for a briefing. Superintendent White asked the Commissioners for approval to represent the county at this briefing, concerning what he witnessed being done on parcel #1. Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve Superintendent White to represent Grant County in working with the attorney on this matter. Second by Commissioner Burton; motion carried 3-0.

Old Business-Pitney Bowes Contract:

Commissioner Lawson has tabled this until the next Commissioners meeting.

New Business-Cameron Cornette-Catering Events for Corporate Headquarters:

No one is present to present this item. Commissioner Lawson has tabled this item.

Public Comments

Dewayne Church 3814 S. Meridian Street expressed concerns about the noise and foul language at an event being held by the old Riddle Junk Yard, called "Redneck Rave". This event was held 2 weeks ago, and will happen again this weekend, lasting all weekend. The loud music, fireworks, screaming and foul language went on until midnight. The police were called, and the police and sheriff's department explained they could do nothing until the Commissioners do something. Mr. Church asked the Commissioners for a noise ordinance to be put into place. Mr. Church expressed concern about the Veterans going to and from the Veterans Day parade on Friday on the Cardinal Greenway and passing by the "Redneck Rave". Discussion ensued among the Commissioners concerning the process of a noise ordinance.

Sandy Vess 3902 S Harmon Street is the president of the College Park Neighborhood Association. Mrs. Vess expressed concern about the noise of the "Redneck Rave" and the effect it has put on Indiana Wesleyan College.

Commissioner Lawson recessed the meeting at 2:31 p.m.