

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION
January 30, 2017

The Grant County Board of Commissioner's met in regular session on January 30, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. in the Grant County Complex Council Chambers at 401 South Adams Street, Marion, IN.

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

Commissioner Burton called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

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

Claims

Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve claims #10181 and #10182 as presented. Second by Commissioner Mowery; motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve a preapproved claim for Probation in the amount of 555.62. Second by Commissioner Mowery; motion carried 3-0.

Minutes

Commissioner Mowery moved to approve the minutes for the January 23, 2017 meeting as presented. Second by Commissioner Bardsley; motion carried 3-0.

Payroll

This is not a payroll week.

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

Commissioner Bardsley expressed the Drainage Board meets tomorrow at 11:00 a.m.

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None.

Highway Department

Superintendent David White expressed the contract that was signed last week needs to be signed by Auditor Bainbridge.

Superintendent White presented a letter he will be presenting to the Council at the next Council meeting concerning additional money for bridge #10. Superintendent White explained why the money is being transferred from bridge inspection. Most of the invoices will not come until 2018. Discussion ensued concerning cumulative bridge.

Superintendent White presented an amended contract from Yasmine Stump concerning the Garthwaite Road project. This additional expense is due to parcel #1 taking more time in the court process. Commissioner Bardsley move to approve the amendment to the contract with Yasmine Stump concerning parcel #1 as presented. Second by Commissioner Mowery; motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Burton expressed he received a purposed ordinance concerning the speed limit on county road 440 S. on state road 5, that the speed limit be 45 miles per hour. This will not be approved today but Commissioner Burton is asking for any comments or concerns from Superintendent White. Superintendent White explained why this speed limit was asked to be put into place. Homeowners in the area want to build and put in a driveway, and due to the visibility and the angle of the road the speed limit needs to be slowed down. The commissioners will ask Kyle Persinger about public notice being given. The commissioners will act on this after Attorney Kyle Persinger has granted the go ahead.

Commissioner Mowery asked Superintendent White if the semi-truck traffic issue on 600 E between 18 and 218 has been resolved. Discussion ensued about what could be done with this issue. Superintendent White will check with Kyle Persinger on this issue.

Commissioner Mowery expressed to Superintendent White how impressed he was with the Highway Department, the equipment and employees. Commissioner Mowery took a tour of the Highway Department facilities last week.

Old Business

Commissioner Bardsley communicated they did a walk through at Walnut Creek, in the east wing, last week. Commissioner Bardsley asked if Maintenance Supervisor Rex Fisher could start cleaning out the east wing of Walnut Creek, the items that are not needed could go toward and auction. Commissioner Mowery expressed he agreed with Commissioner Bardsley about the cleanup. Commissioner Burton expressed he agreed and gave approval to start the cleanup at Walnut Creek.

New Business

A. Community Corrections-Grant Submission Approval-Community Corrections Director Chris Cunningham presented a handout about the grant and gave an overview. This is a yearly grant in the amount of 1,265,864. Director Cunningham is asking for grant submission approval. Commissioner Mowery moved to approve the submission of the Community Corrections grant. Second by Commissioner Bardsley; motion carried 3-0.

B. Area Plan- Sign Contracts- Area Plan Director Larry Strange presented a demolition contract. This contract needs the signatures of 2 Commissioners. The contract is for the demolition of 4124 N 600 E, Van Buren. Bragg Excavating will do the demolition in the amount of 5,370. Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve the demolition contract with Bragg Excavating for 4124 N 600 E, Van Buren. Second by Commissioner Mowery; motion carried 3-0.

C. Bruce Bender-E Grant Signatures- EMA Director Bruce Bender communicated all departments will be involved in the E-grants process. IDHS has asked for a secondary signature in case Mike Burton cannot sign. Director Bender is asking for a secondary signature of one of the Commissioners. Commissioner Bardsley is vice president so that is who will be the secondary signature. Director Bender will forward this information to IDHS.

D. Duane Church expressed his concerns about the Redneck Rave that is coming back to Marion. The Redneck Rave is scheduled for March 17-19, 2017 at 4425 S. Meridian Street. Mr. Church has spoken to the Commissioners in the past concerning this event. The past event brought concern for the surrounding neighbors with noise and the mess left after the event. Mr. Church is asking once again what can be done to prevent this event from happening. Mr. Church has spoken with the IDEM (Indiana Department of Environmental Management) and Larry Strange the director of Area Plan. Discussion ensued with Director Strange concerning permits and zoning appeals. Commissioner Burton will discuss this matter further with County Attorney Kyle Persinger to see what can be done to resolve this issue.

Public Comments

Tony Hendley 1617 S Nebraska Street, Marion addressed the Commissioners concerning the Redneck Rave and their use of the Confederate flag being offensive.

Commissioner Burton gave a reminder of the change of the Commissioners meetings. The Commissioners meetings starting in February will be every other Monday at 2:00 p.m. The next meeting will be February 6th at 2:00 p.m.

Commissioner Burton recessed the meeting at 2:53 p.m.