

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION
September 20, 2016

The Grant County Board of Commissioner's met in regular session on September 20, 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 2:01 p.m.

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

Claims

Commissioner Burton moved to approve claims #9972 and #9973 and #9974 as presented. Second by Commissioner Bardsley; motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Burton moved to formally approve the following preapproved claims: Great Lakes Financial Services \$722.37, Newhouse Excavating \$32,442.50, Fratco \$103,484.58, DKW Cates Farms \$101,598.16, Star \$108.15, Star \$281.97, L&W Cates Excavating \$101,598.16, and Chris Hancock \$148.04. Second by Commissioner Bardsley; motion carried 3-0.

Minutes

Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve the minutes for 9-6-16 as presented. Second by Commissioner Burton; motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve the minutes for 9-13-16 as edited. Second by Commissioner Burton; motion carried 3-0.

Payroll

Auditor Bainbridge stated payroll is in order. Commissioner Burton moved to approve payroll. Second by Commissioner Bardsley; motion carried 3-0.

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

None.

Commissioner Lawson received in the Weights & Measures report for 7-16-16 through 8-15-16. Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve the Weights & Measures report for 7-16-16 through 8-15-16 as presented. Second by Commissioner Burton; motion carried 3-0.

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None.

Highway Department

Superintendent David White expressed the Highway Department is doing some chip sealing, and have finished most of their paving projects for the season. The compost pile at the Recycle Center has been completed also. The ditch on 700 W, south of 600 S that IMI moved has been completed and a new guardrail has been installed.

Superintendent White has met with a few companies about the bridge inspection and is hoping for a good report, bids are open for this until October 11, 2016.

Superintendent White went to a meeting held by INDOT, concerning the Community Crossing Grant (money received for bridge #73). The Highway Department needs to contract with INDOT stating what the money will be used for. The money will be given prior to the project, and a letter needs to be sent stating the project is complete and that the money was used for this project only. If any money is left over, we have 60 days to give it back to INDOT, once the project is closed out. The money will be received by May 1st, 2017 because their fiscal year ends June 30th. Superintendent White will get things ready so a line item can be set up and the money spent just for that bridge.

Superintend White reported the new truck chaise is in and is going to the body shop to get the bed installed. Conversation ensued between Commissioner Bardsley and Superintendent White about the Highway Departments work in Meir.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Community Corrections Annual Report Approval: Director of Community Corrections Chris Cunningham presented the Commissioners with the grant papers. There is a savings of 2,969,914.15. This is statutorily required and has been approved by the board. The Commissioners approval is needed to submit this to the Department of Corrections. Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve the Department of Corrections grant approval. Second by Commissioner Burton; motion carried 3-0.

DOC Grant Approval: Director Cunningham presented the Commissioners with a copy of the grant. Director Cunningham spoke about the grant and what it entails...Felony Diversion, Enhance Jail Services and Jail Treatment. Community Corrections has worked with Sheriff Reggie Nevels to get this grant. Sheriff Nevels spoke about treatment for inmates while incarcerated. Commissioner Bardsley asked how long the grant will last, Director Cunningham stated this grant will cover the first 6 months of 2017, but is a renewable grant. If the targets are met we can renew every year. Discussion ensued concerning the grant and how it works.

Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve to apply for the Justice Reinvestment Service Prevision Grant as presented. Second by Commissioner Burton; motion carried 3-0.

Malcon-Proposal for Cost Allocation Plan and Proposal for Medicaid Ambulance Cost Reports: Charles Malinowski President of Malcon Inc. presented a handout of the Cost Allocation Plan. President Malinowski is asking the Commissioners to renew 2 contracts with Malcon. There is no cost for the County from the General Fund for this plan. Commissioner Bardsley expressed he is glad to be working with Malcon and appreciates the work they have done. Commissioner Burton expressed he believes the relationship between the County and Malcon has been a good one. An ordinance was signed on September 6 stating the county owns and operates the ambulance service.

Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve the contract with Malcon from 2016-2018 request the County Cost Allocation Plan with professional fees being 5,000 per yr. /15,000 for the term of the agreement. Second by Commissioner Burton; motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve the Medical contract with Malcon from 2016-2018 with the fees being 9,500 for each year the reports are generated. Second by Commissioner Burton; motion carried 3-0.

Bruce Bender-Communications Plan: EMA Director Bruce Bender spoke about the County's Communications Plan agreement. Director Bender listed the individuals involved with getting this plan together. The plan has been signed by all the elected officials in Grant County. This plan goes into effect when there is a multiple agency situation or disaster. Director Bender is asking for the final signature of the Commissioners, by President John Lawson. Commissioner Lawson reviewed and signed the Communications Plan agreement. Director Bender presented the Commissioners with a copy. Commissioner Lawson communicated "let the record show the County Commissioners have accepted the Grant County Communications Plan effective 9-20-16.

Commissioner Bardsley indicated to make note the Commissioners received a resignation letter from Dennis Banks, resigning from the position of Board member, representing Grant County & Board Treasurer at Northeast Indiana Works effective as of the date of September 15, 2016.

Public Comments

None.

Commissioner Lawson recessed the meeting at 2:44 p.m.