

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
**October 25, 2016**

The Grant County Board of Commissioner's met in regular session on October 25, 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 Commissioner's Secretary T.C. Hull, and Financials Deputy Stacey Stevens.

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

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

**Claims**

Commissioner Burton moved to approve claims #10026, #10027 and #10028 as presented. Second by Commissioner Bardsley; motion carried 3-0.

**Minutes**

Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve the minutes for October 18, 2016 as presented. Second by Commissioner Burton; motion carried 3-0.

**Payroll**

This is not a payroll week.

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

Commissioner Burton expressed he will be out of the office Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> and will return on Wednesday November 9<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Burton will not be present at next week's Commissioners meeting. The following week will be November 8<sup>th</sup> which is Election Day and our offices are closed. We need to decide if we want to meet later. Commissioner Lawson suggested meeting on Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup>. Commissioners Bardsley and Burton both agree that Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup> is a good time for the Commissioners meeting for that week. Commissioner Burton also expressed the following week on November 15<sup>th</sup> is the quarterly meeting for the East Central Indiana Regional Planning District, in Muncie and he will not be present for the Commissioners meeting that day (Tuesday November 15<sup>th</sup>). President Lawson stated let the record show instead of meeting Tuesday November 8<sup>th</sup>, which is Election Day, the Commissioners meeting will be Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup>, and Commissioner Burton will be attending the Regional Planning meeting on Tuesday November 15<sup>th</sup>.

**IT**

None.

### **Highway Department**

Superintendent David White stated he wants to review the bridge inspections report a little more and he should be finished with that process by the end of the week.

Superintendent White reported most of his staff has completed the internal control training and he has the information to turn into T.C. Hull today.

Superintendent White expressed the Highway Department has all the burning stone completed in the county on the roads they paved.

Superintendent White presented letters he plans on presenting to the Council at the next Council meeting, concerning transfers and additional for the Highway Department. Superintendent White read through the letters explaining what the transfers and additional are for.

### **Old Business**

None.

### **New Business**

**Area Plan-Special Exception Request and Variance Request:** President Lawson presented a variance request for 1871 Kimberly drive, Gary Rice residence. Larry Strange, Area Plan Director, communicated the variance is to build an accessory building behind his drive-way. The variance is to make it one foot from the adjacent property line. There are no complaints from neighbors concerning this variance. Area plan does give a favorable recommendation for this variance. Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve a favorable recommendation for the Rice property at 1871 Kimberly Drive. Second by Commissioner Burton; motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Lawson also presented a Special Exception request from Morris Kelsey at 8240 S. 100 E., Fairmount. There is a favorable recommendation from the APC staff. This variance is to convert the site into an event center. Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve a favorable recommendation regarding the Morris Kelsey request reference to 8240 S. 100 E., Fairmount. Second by Commissioner Burton; motion carried 3-0.

**Cell Phone Stipend for Veteran's Staff:** Commissioner Burton presented this request of the Veteran's Office staff. Michael Houser and April Simon use their personal cell phones for county business. There is a resolution passed by the County Commissioners that allows for such a stipend. The resolution allows for a voice and data monthly stipend of 55.00. The request is for 2 phones. Commissioner Bardsley moved to approve the request by the Veteran's Office for Michael Houser and April Simon to receive level 2 voice and data service stipend. This will begin in November. Second by Commissioner Burton; motion carried 3-0.

**Nancy Bender-Next Generation Enrollment Contract For 2017:** Nancy Bender, Human Resource Director, is asking for approval to renew the County's contract with Next Generation. The cost is 3000 plus 800 to 1000 for mailing costs. The renewal is for 2 years. The cost is budgeted as part of our insurance costs. Commissioner Burton moved to approve the renewal of the 2 year contract with Next Generation. Second by Commissioner Bardsley; motion carried 3-0.

President Lawson communicated he received a letter from Mike Cline, thanking the Commissioners for appointing him to the Marion Public Library board.

Commissioner Bardsley commented on the trenching of county property. The Drainage Board reviewed the ordinance, and has a few recommendations for the county lawyer to review before it is discussed.

**Public Comments**

None.

Commissioner Lawson recessed the meeting at 2:30 p.m.