

REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY AT 5:00 P.M.

The Switzerland County Board of Commissioners met in regular session pursuant to law and by being duly advertised.

Those present: commissioners: John Haskell, Mark Lohide, and Steve Lyons, the sheriff, Roy Leap, the county attorney, Wil Goering, the auditor, Gayle Rayles, and the commissioners' assistant, Bruce Williams.

The meeting was called to order by Roy who also led the pledge of allegiance.

The minutes of the previous meeting of March 3rd were approved as presented on a motion by John, seconded by Mark and all agreed.

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#1 John Stafford – Property Complaint

Mr. Stafford requested an update on his previous complaint in reference to the Duke League property at the top of Vevay Hill.

Mark Archer, of Planning and Zoning, stated he has tried to contact Mr. League who lives in Madison and has had no luck. He will keep trying to contact him.

The commissioners agreed to contact Mr. Stafford after Wil speaks with Mr. League.

#2 Other Property Issues

1. An unsafe building ordinance.
2. Trash in the yard of a residence on Bennington Road. The residence is behind the old store in Mt. Sterling.
3. A trailer on Coleman Road that is unsafe. Mark Lohide had received the complaint. Mark Archer is trying to locate the owner.
4. Property at Walnut Street and SR56 – this is a town issue.

#3 Jacqueline Clements – Maximus Contract

Ms. Clements explained the services Maximus provides the county. We contract with them to do our indirect cost analysis for Title IV-D and apply to the state for a refund of those expenses.

John made a motion to renew the contract for 3 years, seconded by Mark and all agreed. There will be no price increase from the current contract.

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#4 *Connie Wallace – EMA*

Connie spoke about her goal to obtain 230 points on the EMA'S third quarter assessment. Fifty percent of the salaries will be reimbursed by the state if this point goal is reached.

FEMA has changed the amount of damage per residence, to receive disaster funding, from \$1,000.00 to \$3,000.00. The total county damage has changed from \$68,500.00 to at least \$120,000.00.

NIXEL will replace Code Red in April. Connie will test the new system at the end of March.

Gayle will use NIXEL to contact county employees for weather related office closings.

Jim Wingate will be Connie's substitute if she is unavailable.

#5 *Highway Department*

John Day, highway mechanic, had cost estimates from Mainland Diesel Corporation for recommended repairs to truck 16 for an amount of \$10,400.00.

The truck has been out of service since December 2013. Options were discussed to repair or sell the truck or to only replace the head gaskets. Chris Clerkin, highway department superintendent, is to check on a trade-in offer. No action was taken at this time.

The commissioners requested that Chris recheck the cost of the heaters that he wanted to purchase for the highway garage.

#6 *Other Business:*

East Enterprise Regional Sewer District Board Appointment: John made a motion to appoint Chris See to this board, seconded by Mark and all agreed. There was a question from Keith Penick concerning the location of Chris See's residence – he lives next to the fire department in East Enterprise.

Benefits Fair: Gayle spoke about a Benefits Fair that was held two years ago for the county employees. The Fair gives the employees the opportunity to meet with representatives from various benefit providers. The cost would be approximately \$800.00. After some discussion the commissioners decided to wait until next year.

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Road Name Change – Sullivan Rd. to Springer Rd: Mr. Robert Springer who lives at 10244 Sullivan Road made the request by letter to change Sullivan Road to Springer Road. After some discussion, John made a motion to approve the change, seconded by Mark and all agreed. Bruce is to contact Kevin Hayes, 911 coordinator. (Mr. Springer had been to a prior commissioners meeting in reference to this request.)

Spring Cleanup Dates – April 25th, 26th and 27th: These dates are the same that the Town of Vevay has chosen. John made a motion to approve the same dates for cleanup, seconded by Mark and all agreed. Bruce is to place an ad in the Vevay newspapers. Chris Clerkin will rent the dumpsters for the highway garage.

Courthouse Lawn Maintenance Bids: Steve opened the 2 bids that were received: Grassman lawn Care \$6,080.00 including a break down of costs, and Eric Williams, \$6,000.00 plus \$100.00 per week with no break down of costs. This was tabled until the next meeting to determine the true difference in the bids.

Lawn Care at the Medical Building: Bruce is to place an ad in the local papers for bids.

Courtroom Ceiling Repair/Mold Cleanup: This issue was tabled from the last commissioners' meeting. After some discussion, Mark asked what account the money would come from for this project; Gayle suggested ½ out of Cum Cap and ½ out of casino revenue. Mark then made a motion to approve the A/C ducts and mold cleanup at a cost of \$11,000.00 and approved the courtroom ceiling repair at a cost of \$18,278.18. This motion was seconded by Steve and the motion carried with John voting "no".

Flood Plain Ordinance: The deadline for the approval of this ordinance is April 16th. Mark Archer has the ordinance that was provided by FEMA and the DNR. The Town of Vevay and Town of Patriot all need to approve this ordinance.

Any issues with the maps are dealt with through FEMA. John made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Mark and all agreed.

Overtime/Comp Time: John requested that the wording concerning overtime and comp time, in the employee manual, be reworded to make it more easily understood and in "layman's terms". Gayle is to contact Wil regarding the wording changes.

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Other Business cont'd

Keli Gabbard: Keli had a question about insurance for volunteers and people who foster animals for the shelter. Wil stated the insurance company will need to be contacted specifically to see what the age limit is for coverage.

With no further business to come before the board, Mark made the motion to adjourn, seconded by John and all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Attest: _____
Gayle A. Rayles, Auditor
Switzerland County, Indiana