

**REGULAR MEETING - TUESDAY 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: Mark Lohide, Steve Lyons, and Josh South, the auditor, Gayle Rayles, and the commissioners' assistant, Bruce Williams. The county attorney, Wil Goering, arrived 10 minutes later.

The meeting was opened by Steve who also led the pledge of allegiance.

The minutes of the regular and joint meetings of August 15<sup>th</sup> were approved as presented on a motion by Mark, seconded by Josh and all agreed.

The claims were approved as presented on a motion by Josh, seconded by Mark and all agreed.

**#1 Highway Department**

Bridge #26 on Log Lick was discussed; abutment repairs are needed. Janssen and Spaans gave a proposal of \$24,000.00 that would cover the engineering of the project, permits, and the design. After some discussion Josh made a motion to accept the Janssen and Spaans proposal for \$24,000.00, seconded by Mark and all agreed.

Road slips were discussed. Patricia Conner, of Janssen and Spaans, will provide more information. Each slip needs to be prioritized and a permit will be needed for each one.

The highway department will help Terry Hall in weed mowing and the use of the highway equipment at the 4H fair grounds in preparation for a tractor pull which is scheduled and to be filmed by RFD TV.

\$377,317.17 was spent on chip and seal this summer; \$350,000.00 was appropriated by council.

**#2 Other Business**

Seal and stripe clinic parking lot: There were 2 bids: 1. Dewayne Bates for \$2,950.00 and 2. Adams Seal Coating for \$4,315.00. Josh made a motion to accept the bid from Dewayne Bates for \$2,950.00, seconded by Mark and all agreed. Bids for the other 3 county locations were discussed but tabled until spring.

Courthouse security: No action was taken as the sheriff was absent.

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Other Business cont'd

New fund ordinance: The following new fund ordinance was signed by the commissioners:

**SWITZERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**Ordinance Number 09-06-2016**

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW FUND

FUND NUMBER 8201 – OWNER OCCUPIED REHAB GRANT

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

1. There is hereby established a fund to be known as the "Owner Occupied Rehab Grant Fund" ("the Fund"). Said Fund shall be funded by grant funds.
2. The purpose of this Fund shall be to rehab low income owner occupied residences.
3. This shall be a non-reverting Fund.
4. Said Fund shall be spent in accordance with the general rules as to which other Funds of the county are subject.

Adopted this 15th day of August, 2016.

Jail roof: Wesley Poling, courthouse maintenance, had inspected the roof of the jail and stated that nails are pushing up through the shingles and there are leaks around the exhaust fans. Exterior Pro, from Madison, Indiana, submitted a proposal for \$600.00 to \$800.00 to re-flash the shingles around the big vent, do general maintenance, check for loose shingles, nails that have popped up, and etc. Mark made a motion to approve the repairs by Exterior Pro, seconded by Josh and all agreed.

Boat ramp: Steve stated that the county has received the Bryant's Creek boat ramp property from the federal government.

Nixel problems: Josh explained some of the problems the county is having with Nixel, the emergency notification system. One big problem is that some people were not receiving calls and the system does not show who was called. Josh said that EverBridge, another product of the same company, should correct the problems. They will waive extra fees and honor the same contract of \$7,500.00 for 2017. Josh made a motion to approve the switch to EverBridge, seconded by Mark and all agreed.

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Audience questions:

Cherry Phillips asked about the location of the property that was donated to the county at the Bryant's Creek boat ramp.

Bob Stivers asked about the status of matching funds for the infrastructure program. The county does not have an asset management program or a detailed inventory of roads. Both of these are required in order to apply.

Rosemary Bovard asked about the dates of the fall cleanup: September 23rd, 24th, and 25th at the highway garage.

With no further business to come before the board, Mark made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Josh and all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

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Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gayle A. Rayles, Auditor  
Switzerland County, Indiana