

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: Mark Lohide, Jerry Monjar and Josh South, the county attorney, Wil Goering, the auditor, Gayle Rayles, and the commissioners' assistant, Bruce Williams.

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

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

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#1 Sheriff Hughes - Kitchen Air Conditioning

Nathan said the companies he'd contacted for quotes on the air conditioning in the kitchen had not gotten back with him. He had an idea for a less expensive way to solve the problems they are having but needs to run it by one or more of the companies he's contacted.

#2 Highway Department

Darrell and the commissioners discussed the following:

- Paving on Plum Creek and Pleasant Run are completed
- Some of the slips are fixed
- Chip and seal will start on Monday (7/31)
- Some trees have been trimmed along school bus routes, but that job will not be completed before school starts due to crew members working on chip and seal projects

Josh said that Darrell and Carla had finished working on the Community Crossing Grant application. Total applications are for \$1.3 million dollars. These are 75/25 grants so the county will be responsible for matching 25% of any awards we receive. Darrell said we should hear from the State by the end of August.

#3 Other Business

Courthouse fence electric: There was a discussion on the 2 bids for doing the electrical work around the courthouse fence. Both bids are written differently but for the same work: Don Otter - \$850 and Parham - \$1,360. Mark made a motion to accept the bid from Don Otter, seconded by Jerry and all agreed.

Dr. Frede's contract: The contract was discussed. Josh felt there was a missing addendum. Wil is to remove the specific salary amount in the contract and state that the salary will be established by the Salary Ordinance established by county council.

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#3 Other Business cont'd

Tech Building Gutter Guards: There was one bid for guards on the downspouts etc. on the tech building roof. There was a question about the material. Mark made a motion to table which was seconded by Jerry and the motion passed.

Courtroom Duct Cleaning: There were two bids for cleaning the duct work above the courtroom: **Comfort Systems:** \$5,653 during working hours / \$6,820 after hours and/or weekends plus \$2,440 for an additional area during working hours and \$3,340 for non-working hours, **Indiana Restorations:** \$2,800 with the work to be done on Thursday after courthouse is closed. Mark made a motion to award the project to Indiana Restorations seconded by Jerry and all agreed.

Jail Roof: There was considerable discussion on the condition and age of the roof on the Jail. There are leaks caused by what appears to be excessive moisture over the area where the showers are. The decision was made to have Wesley investigate further to see what condition the sheeting under the shingles is in before the job is put out for bids. Mark said he would try to be available to help. If a new roof is needed, commissioners discussed getting bids on shingles and metal.

Drug Free Switzerland County: Josh brought up the Commissioners previous commitment to financially support Drug Free Switzerland County, which is now a reality. The Community Foundation is taking the lead on this project. Josh made a motion to donate \$10,000.00 seed money to the Community Foundation for Drug Free Switzerland County. Mark seconded the motion and the notion passed unanimously.

Markland Industrial Park: Wil said that the lease agreement the Commissioners had signed for the Markland Industrial Park Building had gone to Duke for their signatures. Duke made suggestions for some changes that he and Jon Bond are not in favor of. Jon is to continue discussions with Duke.

Executive session: Wil requested an executive meeting after the next regular Commissioners meeting on August 7th to discuss litigation.

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 5:35 p.m.

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