

**REGULAR MEETING 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, Josh South, and Jerry Monjar, the county attorney, Wil Goering, and the commissioners' assistant, Bruce Williams.

The meeting was opened by Josh with the pledge of allegiance.

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

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of July 16<sup>th</sup> were approved as presented on a motion by Josh, seconded by Jerry and all agreed.

**#1 Other Business**

Asphalt bids: Will opened the following asphalt bids for North Branch:

Paul H. Rohe Company, Inc.	\$329,745.00
Dave O'Mara Contractors, Inc.	\$276,760.00 (1" wedge & 1.5" overlay)
	\$221,680.00 (.5" wedge & 1.5" overlay)

Josh made a motion to accept the Dave O'Mara bid not to exceed the bid amount of \$276,760.00 for the 1" wedge & 1.5" overlay, seconded by Jerry and all agreed.

1. SCER aged receivables procedures: There needs to be a meeting with the billing company. Jerry made a motion to table this until a later date, seconded by Josh and all agreed.
2. Bryants Creek: Jerry requested that Darrell have the Bryants Creek parking area mowed. The parking ordinance was read for a 2<sup>nd</sup> time by Mark. The highway department is to provide the necessary signage.
3. Old books in the jail barn: Bruce will contact Bert and Wesley for a place to store the books.
4. Flu shots provided by CVS: Bruce informed the commissioners that Amy Combs of CVS has contacted the auditor about giving free flu shots to county employees. The commissioners are fine with them coming on site to administer the shots.
5. School zone ordinance: Mark read the school zone ordinance a second time. Josh made a motion to wave the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading and to go ahead and approve the ordinance which was seconded by Jerry and all agreed.
6. EERSD board appointment: There were 2 applicants for this position: Steve Auxier and Larry Stewart. Josh made a motion to elect Steve Auxier to this position, seconded by Jerry and all agreed.

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**Other Business cont'd**

7. Economic Development: Rhonda Griffin, EDC president, was present and asked about the status of the contract with the county. She also gave the commissioners Economic Development reports. A discussion followed in reference to the following:
- A. Blue & Company audit – may be done again in September
  - B. Contract expired at the end of 2017. Now it will be paid on a monthly basis.
  - C. Invoice for the commissioners for services rendered
  - D. Josh made a motion to approve the June payment to Economic Development, seconded by Jerry and all agreed.
  - E. Jerry asked about the spec building; a sale is pending
  - F. Josh made a motion to approve a contract through the month of August, seconded by Jerry and all agreed.
  - G. The commissioners discussed the idea of contacting various people to discuss the future of economic development and come up with ideas.
  - H. Jerry said he wanted reports for July and August as they come in.

**#2 Engineering Design Proposals for Bridges 10 & 12**

These proposals are for Bridge #10 on Jackson Road and Bridge #12 on Plum Creek Road. These were tabled until a later meeting on a motion by Mark, seconded by Josh and all agreed.

**#3 Highway Department**

Josh stated that George Reed has retired. He made a motion to hire Dusty Hunt, seconded by Jerry and all agreed.

**#4 Meeting on July 27<sup>th</sup>**

Mark spoke about the meeting on July 27<sup>th</sup> that was attended by representatives of various departments; mainly those involving watershed problems. These contacts may help speed up permits and provide assistance of various kinds in the future.

**#5 Fall Clean-up**

The Fall Clean-up dates that were discussed are September 21, 22, 23 (Friday, Saturday, Sunday). Bruce and Darrell are to get it organized.

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With no further business to come before the board, Josh made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Jerry and all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

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Gayle A. Rayles, Auditor  
Switzerland County, Indiana