

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 Josh with the pledge of allegiance.

The minutes of the June 19, 2017 meeting were approved on a motion by Mark and seconded by Jerry. All agreed. The minutes of the June 5, 2017 meeting were approved on a motion by Mark, seconded by Jerry. All Agreed.

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

#1 Sheriff Hughes - Jail report, commissary report, kitchen air

Sheriff Hughes passed out the jail inspection report. Items discussed related to the inspector's findings:

- Jail expansion if we are going to continue to have a full jail / The Sheriff is not in favor of expanding.
- Out of County housing causing the population increase / Sheriff will do fewer contacts seeking prisoners.
- The jail is 7.5 jailers short; most counties in the State are short jailers.
- Cost of insurance increased when jail is understaffed.
- Jail staff is compliant with 12 empty beds. If one additional prisoner is added, they would be out of compliance.
- Suggested we add one additional jailer each year.
- State is having counties house Level 6 offenders. The State pays the counties for housing them and they are closing prisons.

Sheriff Hughes passed out the commissary report. He also stated there had been an issue with the cooling in the kitchen recently. They contacted Comfort Systems, the company that had installed the cooling system in the dispatch area. They suggested moving one of the new units to cover the kitchen. Josh was concerned that the company may have oversold the county if they can move one of the new units without effecting the temperature in the dispatch area. He asked that a company representative attend the next commissioners meeting.

#2 Jim & Sharon Day - Two Lick/Florence Creek

Jim and Sharon Day have had flooding issues in the house they own on Two Lick. They have lived there several years and this is a recent problem. They were told that the DNR is in charge of that tributary. The DNR says that is not true. They contacted the Army Corp of Engineers and were told that they have nothing to do with it and the county can fix the problem as long as they don't get in the creek bed with a track hoe. They contacted the EPA but have not heard back. They said they've been told by the county that a delay in dealing with the issue is the

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brown bats in the trees that need to be removed. They also contacted Randy Fry.

Josh explained that permitting can take some time. Wil explained that the permits needed to get in the creek would have to come from IDEM and the DNR. The Army Corp of Engineers has jurisdiction within five miles of the Markland Dam.

Mr. Day said that after heavy rains there is 4 inches of water in every room of the house and they have had three recent floods.

Jerry had asked that one of the engineers, who was here on another matter, stop and look at the problem. No action plan has been received from the engineer in order for us to apply for permits. Josh will speak to Darrell about taking immediate action to clean out the creek bed in areas where it can be done without getting in the creek.

There was a discussion about doing the work and applying for permits after the fact since it is damaging a home and the fact that permits are usually granted faster if a home is involved.

#3 Other Business

Tourism Board Applications: Josh read the names of the two individuals interested in serving on the tourism board: Jill Cord and Jeanne Bragg. Josh made a motion to appoint Jeanne Bragg, seconded by Jerry and all agreed.

GIS request - Theorem Geo: WTH had a formal request from Theorem Geo to provide GIS data. The County will receive a fee of \$500 for release of this information. Mark made a motion to approve, Jerry seconded and motion passed.

Nurse Managed Clinic Agreement with Dr. Frede: Gayle explained that the Commissioners had previously approve the agreement for 18 months between the NMC and Dr. Frede. However, the second/signature page cannot be located. Josh signed the previously approved agreement.

Locator Purchase: Bruce had pricing for 3 locators to be used at Moorefield-Bennington Sewer District. EE Regional Sewer District has been contacted and they do not have one we can use. Josh is still in favor of asking to use one from the Town of Vevay or Florence Regional Sewer District, since it will not be used often. Bruce will check into this.

Courthouse Fence Electric: There were two quotes to do the electrical work around the courthouse fence which has not been working properly. The quotes were: Parham: \$1,360.00 and Don Otter: \$850.00. The decision was tabled on a motion by Mark seconded by Jerry due to the quotes not appearing to be for the exact same work. Bruce to have Wesley review the bids.

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Other Business cont'd

Iron Workers request: Josh read a request from the Iron Workers for sponsorship. There is no interest.

Ductwork cleaning: A quote from Comfort Systems for cleaning the ductwork over the courtroom has been received but held until we have one from American Restorations.

Highway: Jerry reported that Bridge 26 on Log Lick is complete and looks good.

Pat with Janssen & Spaans is coming - plan an executive session while she is here.

Bob Stivers and Cherry Phillips commented on creeks in the County.

With no further business to come before the board, Mark made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Jerry, and all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Attest: _____
Gayle A. Rayles, Auditor Switz. Co.