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: Grant Dean, Jerry Monjar and Jamie Peters. and Auditor Gayle Sullivan and Highway superintendent: Anthony Thomas.

Grant called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes from the regular meeting on October 2, 2023. Jerry made a motion and Grant second. All in favor.

The claims were approved as presented on a motion by Jerry, second by Jamie. All in favor.

#1 Highway Superintendent – Anthony Thomas

- Repaired on rough spots on B Peelman Rd.
- Long arming in Cotton and Pleasant Twp.
- Ditch work and clean out culverts on Indian Trail, Knigga Rd and Knigga Crossing.
- Placed blocks and added to a culvert on North Branch Rd.
- Hauled winter slag from O'Mara stock pile to hwy garage.
- Cut bank off on Hominy Ridge.
- New mechanic started Monday 10/16/23.
- Discussion about snow bids

#2 Old Business

#3 New Business

- **Ben Kapp**: Secure Tech-spoke about security in the courthouse. Grant spoke about getting more familiar with how the testing is done now and get more information.
- b. Lindsey Simmons: Tabled
- c. <u>Marty:</u> Modem request-quote confirmation from CDW-G. This modem is for courthouse and jail. This needs to be done for insurance, security and live this will need to be done. Jerry made a motion to approve CDW-G for \$2482.86 with Jamie making a second. All in favor.
- d. <u>Bennington Sewer:</u> Jamie spoke about funding for Bennington Sewer. Discussion was had and Jamie will attend the next council meeting.
- e. <u>Personnel Policy:</u> Jamie questioned about the PAC meeting and the time off for the employees. There was discussion about sick days and how they will be used if they will be carried over. So, it needs to be decided if they will be carried forward and the verbiage on how they will be used.
- **f.** <u>Pinnacle:</u> Stop loss contract-met with Pinnacle earlier and last year our carrier was North River and they gave a quote of an increase of 47%. Pinnacle shopped and came back with Sun Life which was about an 8% increase. We paid \$595,116.00 in 2023 and Sun Life for 2024 is \$641,039.00.

With that Jamie made a motion for Sun Life in the amount of \$641,039.00. Grant makes a second. Mat Dutkiewicz questioned the change as far as difference in coverage and will any of the cost be forwarded to the county employees. All in favor

#3 Board Reports

Jamie -VSCF met and they did award 4 grants. One to SCER which they were awarded \$9,000.00 of the \$12,000.00 that they had asked for. Parks and Smith Ridge should hopefully will be started this week.

Grant-PAC mediation will be 9:00am on Wednesday for the PAC.

Jerry-no board reports but met with Tom Moore with the quarterly meeting. Also, some issues with the fobs not working in the Tech building. Jon Bond will talk to Brian and see if we could possibly use the same system they use. Jerry also lifted the burn ban.

4 Announcement

PTABOA board appointments-Grant made a motion to approve Christy Alexander and James Wingate will be the two commissioner's appointees. Jerry second. All in favor.

With no further business to come before the board, Jerry made a motion to adjourn, second by Jamie. All in favor. Meeting ended @ 6:03pm.

Attest:

Gayle Sullivan, Auditor

Switzerland County, Indiana