

**REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY 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, and the sheriff, Nathan Hughes, were absent.

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

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

Mark spoke about missing the last meeting due to work and he was not going to be able to make the June 6<sup>th</sup> meeting so that is why the commissioners agreed to meet this evening.

**#1 Tom Moore – EMA Director**

The Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan was approved by the commissioners on a motion by Josh, seconded by Mark and all agreed.

The radio links for Moorefield and East Enterprise will be installed by J & N Electronics from Carrollton, Kentucky in July.

There is to be a hazard mitigation meeting on June 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the tech building that Tom invited the commissioners to attend.

Tom has tried to reach a hazmat agreement with Jefferson County, Cincinnati, and Northern Kentucky to no avail. He has been in contact with Michael White of Madison, who is with District 9 Hazmat and they will assist if needed. Tom is also checking with the local fire departments to get data on who is trained in hazmat response and their equipment. He is also working on hazmat classes.

There is a comprehensive management meeting on June 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the tech building.

The EMPG and EMS grants and the applications for EMS and the fire departments were discussed.

Glenn Scott stated that a trailer at the East Enterprise fire house contains EMA supplies. Tom will go through the contents to see what has expired or reached the end of its shelf life.

**#2 Highway Department**

Darrell Keith, highway supervisor, was absent.

**#3 Other Business**

- A. Joint meeting dates:* After some discussion, June 20<sup>th</sup> was selected as the next joint meeting date. This is to be immediately following their regular meeting which is at 5:00 p.m.

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Other business cont'd

- B. Tree removal: Bruce reported that a large poplar tree on the east side of the courthouse may have to be removed. He will see about contacting an arborist to inspect the tree.
- C. Roof bids: The commissioners had received bids from 2 companies to replace or to repair the courthouse roof (old part): Exterior Pro Roofing of Madison Indiana at a cost of \$33,801.00 to replace and \$8,860.00 to repair and from Indiana Restoration of Noblesville Indiana at a cost of \$37,904.20 to replace and \$14,825.50 to repair. A new roof would be white at a thickness of .40 mil with a 15 year warranty. After some discussion Steve suggested that the roof be replaced. Josh made a motion to accept the low bid from Exterior Pro for \$33,801.00, seconded by Mark and all agreed.
- D. EMS lot: Josh reported that the commissioners had looked at quite a few locations for a place to house the SCER. The plan now is to build a new building on the county owned vacant lot next to the jail on Pike Street. Funding, an architect, and a RFP were discussed. Josh had spoken with Jason Smith of Homeland Security and he recommended contacting Scott County in reference to their new ems building.
- E. Courthouse chimney repair: Bruce stated that Herschel Brichto had suggested the courthouse chimneys should be repaired prior to a new roof being installed. Bruce had 2 bids that he had obtained in January of this year: ERJO Construction for \$9,415.00 and Indiana Restoration for \$10,800.00. Josh made a motion to accept the ERJO Construction bid, pending the price still being the same as the quote is over 90 days, seconded by Mark and all agreed.
- F. Delinquent property taxes: Gayle explained that the taxes due on the property purchased from the Firewood Corporation are the county's responsibility per the purchase agreement.
- G. Florence Regional Sewer District Board: IDEM needed the commissioners to sign off on the Florence Regional Sewer District Board which they did on a motion by Josh, seconded by Mark and all agreed.

#4 Nadine Swift –SCER Director

Nadine stated that the used ambulance recently purchased from Crossroads developed fuel system problems; not sure what is causing the malfunction. There was a discussion on; contacting Crossroads to trade for another ambulance, purchasing a new ambulance, having a mechanic at Earl Floyd Ford in Carrollton Kentucky to look at it, trade-in value, and the reliability if repaired. The consensus was to work with Crossroads to take back this vehicle and apply the purchase price to a new unit.

The commissioners talked about the cost of air flights and if air care insurance is available.

#5 Courthouse Security

The commissioners had a short discussion about courthouse security. The sheriff was not present so this topic was tabled until the next meeting.

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With no further business to come before the board, Josh made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Mark and all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

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Gayle A. Rayles, Auditor  
Switzerland County, Indiana