

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: Jerry Monjar, Jamie Peters, and Josh South, the sheriff, Brian Morton, the auditor, Carolyn Green, and the commissioners' assistant, Bruce Williams. County attorney, Joe Colussi, was absent.

The meeting was opened by Brian with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the previous meeting of September 16th were approved as presented on a motion by Jamie, seconded by Jerry and all agreed.

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#1 Pam Acton – Sign for Bisson

The commissioners approved by consensus, to have a sign installed by the bison in the courthouse lawn. Wesley is to install it.

#2 Kerry McConnell – SIRPC – Housing Rehab Grant

Kerry came for the first bid opening for this grant cycle which totaled approximately \$370,000.00. Kerry explained that the program applicants have to be in a certain level, own their home, and have home owner's insurance. The prospective properties are inspected, have the lead paint removed if there is any, and then the work is let for bid.

Kerry only had 2 bids to come in and one of those was for only 1 type of work. As they would like to have more bids, this work will be rebid. This grant cycle does not end until December 2020.

#3 John Kniola – Park Board – Littering

John came to ask for a solution to all of the littering going on at the Bryant's Creek Boat Ramp. There is a dumpster there but the use of it is being abused by the public. After some discussion, the commissioners decided by consensus, to just have the dumpster removed.

#4 Mike Kramer – Pinnacle Advisory Group – Employee Insurance

Mike came to present the employee insurance renewals for the 2020 plan year. After some discussion and in order to lock in the rates and no coverage changes Jamie made a motion to approve the contract, seconded by Josh, and all agreed.

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#5 Old Business

- A. Snow bids: No bids were received. Bruce is to contact the 3 companies that might possibly be interested in providing a bid.
- B. JSSCSCC: All of the furnishings/equipment has been moved out. The commissioners instructed Bruce to work with Joe to get the deed and legal documents ready.
- C. Board appointments: The commissioners do not have and School Endowment appointments this year but they do have 5 tourism appointments. There were 2 applicants so far: Jon Smith and Melissa Brush. Jamie made the motion to appoint Jon Smith and Melissa Brush to the tourism board, seconded by Josh and all agreed. Melissa Brush will finish up the term of Wendy Harrison and then she will need to reapply at the end of 2020 if she so chooses. Bruce is to let Sheri Works know of the appointments and that there are still 3 positions to fill. He is to advertise these again.

#6 New Business

- 1. Burn ordinance: Tom Moore, EMA director, and Joe Colussi are working on the ordinance and a fee schedule to go with it. There is currently a "burn ban" in effect.
- 2. Road Asset Management Plan: Brian Craig, of GAI, designed the plan. This is a requirement in order to be eligible for Community Crossing funds. He could not make the meeting but had sent the plan for the commissioners to review/approve. This plan is done every other year and the cost is \$2,500.00 plus man hours. After some discussion, Jerry made the motion to approve the plan, seconded by Jamie and all agreed.

With no further business to come before the board, Jerry made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Jamie and all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Attest: _____
 Carolyn J. Green, Auditor
 Switzerland County, Indiana