

**REGULAR MEETING – 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: Josh South, Jerry Monjar, and Jamie Peters, the county attorney, Wil Goering, the commissioners' assistant, Bruce Williams, and the county auditor, Carolyn Green.

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

The minutes of the regular meeting on January 7<sup>th</sup> were approved as presented on a motion by Jerry, seconded by Jamie and all agreed.

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**#1 TOM MOORE – EMA –WARNING SYSTEM**

Tom presented a copy of the contract with Everbridge for the warning system for renewal. The amount will remain the same. Unless it is a life-threatening event, the warning will not go out too early in the morning. Flash flood, tornado, and thunder storm warnings will still go out. Jamie made the motion to approve the renewal, seconded by Jerry and all agreed.

**#2 JON BOND – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION - 2018 CONTRACT**

Jon Bond would like an agreement in writing for the State Board of Accounts. Since the money (\$14,156.00 per month) has already been spent, there would be no reason not to approve. Jamie made the motion to approve of a written agreement with the EDC; seconded by Jerry and all agreed; the motion passed.

**#3 NADINE SWIFT – SCER – RESTRUCTURING**

Nadine Swift, SCER director, appeared before the commissioners regarding the restructuring of the SCER. The commissioners would be able to approve the restructuring to a para-military structure, but council would need to approve the additional compensation needed. An amendment to the salary ordinance is needed.

It may be necessary to change the name in order to get a new tax identification number for tax and billing purposes. It was mentioned that a joint meeting of the council and commissioners may be needed. Nadine asked that she be allowed to attend the joint meeting if one was scheduled.

**REGULAR MEETING – PAGE 2****#4 OLD BUSINESS**Board Appointments:

1. FRSD: There was one resignation from the Florence Sewer Board and only one applicant, Vicky Hinman. Jamie made the motion to approve Vicky Hinman for a position on the Florence Regional Sewer District Board, seconded by Jerry and all agreed, the motion passed.
2. Board of Corrections: Josh nominated Jerry to the Board of Corrections, seconded by Jamie and the motion passed.
3. East Enterprise Sewer Board: Jerry made the motion to approve Norman Supe to the EERSD board; seconded by Jamie; the motion passed.
4. Health Department Board: Dr. Chris Sieglitz agreed to remain on the board, and he meets all the criteria for the board. Jamie made the motion to approve Dr. Sieglitz; seconded by Jerry; the motion passed.
5. Park Board: There has been no interest in this board. John Kinola's term has expired. The commissioners would make the appointment of position. Since no one has applied this position needs to be reposted. Bruce is to take care of the advertising.
6. SEIRD Advisory Board: Sharon Hansel would like to stay on the board. Josh made the motion to keep Sharon, seconded by Jamie; the motion passed.
7. Tourism Board: It is necessary to determine from the last primary the current political makeup of this board in order to fill the vacancies. We also need the political affiliation determined by the last primary of the applicants.
8. Jefferson Township Advisory Board: Due to the withdrawal of the elected board member, Alan Konkle, and the fact that one republican and one democrat have applied to fill the position. The State has been asked for a written statement. Since this has not been received yet, a motion to table was made by Jerry and seconded by Josh; the motion passed.

**#5 NEW BUSINESS**

- A. County Website: A motion was made by Jamie to take bids for the maintaining of the county website; Jerry seconded the motion, and the motion passed. How to get this out was discussed. It was felt that the newspapers would not work since it would not reach the possible vendors. Wil and Bruce will put a bid package together.
- B. Commissary Report and Annual Jail Report: There is an annual budget of \$813,000.00 and 562 inmates housed. The outside inmates account for 9% of the total budget. The sheriff had asked previously for 7 more jailers due to the jail inspector saying they are under staffed. Ohio County inmates are no longer housed in Switzerland County as they are being housed elsewhere. Josh requested that Sheriff Morton be asked to attend the next meeting.
- C. Courthouse Maintenance: Wesley Poling, courthouse maintenance employee, appeared before the commissioners to report that the fire marshall has requested that some action be taken in order to correct the violations detected. Josh made the motion to this topic table until the next meeting, seconded by Jamie; the motion passed. Bruce is to get bids.

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**NEW BUSINESS CONT'D**

- D. Highway 101: Tabled until more information is acquired.
- E. American Disabilities Act: There was some discussion as to what actions need to be taken soon.

With no further business to come before the board, Jamie made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Jerry and all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

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Carolyn J. Green, Auditor  
Switzerland County, Indiana