

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 Grant Dean, the county administrator, Susie Swank, and the auditor, Yvette Emmich.

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

The minutes of the regular meeting of Monday, March 7, 2022 were approved as presented on a motion by Jerry, seconded by Jamie and the motion carried.

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#1 PHI Air Medical – Jill Spaulding

Jill Spaulding, membership specialist with PHI Medical Air and Luke Lamar, flight medic based out of Madison, presented the Commissioners with information on the opportunity to offer a county wide flight membership program for all the Switzerland County residence. The membership fee would be approximately \$34,792.00 per year. Commissioners will look into this further and share this information with Council and will be in touch, possibly at the next Commissioners meeting.

#2 EMA Director – Tom Moore

a. Follow up from previous meeting in regard to the 2022 Hazardous Material Plan. Information was updated as requested. Jamie made a motion to approve the 2022 Hazardous Material Plan as written and Jerry seconded the motion.

b. Approval to use Bryant's Creek boat ramp for March 29th training - Tom will conduct a live training scenario involving water additive product, F500, he has contacted IDEM for a burn permit. Commissioners asked that he coordinate this with Gaylor Electric so they are aware of the training. Jerry made a motion to approve this training, pending the coordination with the Gaylor Electric and Jamie seconded the motion.

#3 Evans Hill Road – Mr. Charles Ryan

Mr. Ryan is asking about the plan for Evans Hill Road project, he attended the August 2, 2021 meeting and was told the plans were delayed due to the Corp of Engineers report. He questioned why the plans where changed from a concrete reinforced culver to a metal culvert. The plans stated a metal culvert was to be installed, with approval from Corps of Engineers and IDEM. Anthony is working on getting quotes from contractors on this project and waiting on the spawning season per IDNR.

#4 Anthony Thomas – Highway Superintendent

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Anthony has paperwork to be signed for SR 56 road closure, we need to add weight limit signs at Lost Fork Road, maintenance work to be done on Dry Fork Road for an alternative route before April 1st, replace pipe on Upper Dry Fork for a resident due to water issues. Log Lick Road pipes should be done this week. Patriot hill, SR 56 will be closed for 120 days starting around April 4th. Worked on slip on Log Lick and repair on Nell Lee Road that was washed out due to heavy rain and ditching done on Aaron Road. Power washer was delivered this week but, truck beds have not been delivered yet. Installed “keep clean signs” for York and Pleasant Township. Jami asked in regard to the “Keep clean signs” can we reach out to all the trustees to find out how many signs are wanted. We purchased 20 originally. Also, trustee asked Jamie about if there were “men working” signs that could be borrowed while doing community road side clean up. The cost is approximately \$50 per sign, so some of the cost may need to be shared by the Townships. Do we have an updated list of county roads versus private roads that are maintained, as well as, has Carla finish up her audit of the roads we are maintaining versus what the state shows?

#5 New Business

a. New fund ordinance – “Quality of Life”

To establish a new ordinance #03-21-2022 funded by the Community Foundation of Switzerland County, for the purpose of improving the quality of life for the citizens of Switzerland County. Jamie made a motion to approve this new fund and Jerry seconded the motion. Council to appropriate the funds.

b. Mowing, trimming, bush hogging, cleanup and landscaping bids. Received from six different vendors for Tech Center, medical building, MBSD, and Courthouse. Wesley will do mowing at the courthouse. Lowest bid was from Kustom Outdoors. Quoted as followed:

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| Medical Building: | \$90.00 per event – mowing & trimming |
| | \$75.00 per event – spraying |
| BSD: | \$45.00 per event - mowing & trimming |
| | \$350.00 per event – bush hogging |
| MSD: | \$65.00 per event – mowing & trimming |
| | \$300.00 per event- bush hogging |
| Tech Building: | \$45.00 per event – mowing & trimming |

Weed control will be done in house for tech center and MBSD properties, but medical building will need to have weed control done. Jerry made a motion to approve proposed from Kustom Outdoors and Jamie seconded the motion. For a two year contract and 10% increase the second year. Courthouse landscaping is excluded in this bid.

Bids for courthouse landscaping was reviewed and awarded to Kustom Outdoors at \$8,500.00 for a one year contract, Jerry seconded the motion. Also, Jerry made a comment on possibly looking at changing the landscape material to rock instead of mulch to reduce the expense. This can be a discussion with Council and reviewed for next year.

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#6 Old Business

a. Building permits fees – voting to approve section 10, original ordinance adopted in 1995. This will be have to be published in local paper and fee increased effective 90 days after adoption. Jamie made a motion to approve the amendment to ordinance 6-5-95B specifically to fee requirements and Jerry seconded the motion.

#7 Board Reports

No board reports

Per Susie, April's meetings will be held at the Tech Center due to voting, this will be posted on Face Book and County web site, as well as door postings.

Mr. Phillips asked about cleanup on Plum Creek Road. Nothing has changed in this matter at this time.

With no further business to come before the board, Jerry made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jamie and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Attest: _____
H. Yvette Emmich, Auditor
Switzerland County, Indiana