

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, highway superintendent, Anthony Thomas and auditor, Yvette Emmich.

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

The minutes of the regular meeting of Monday, March 21, 2022 were approved as presented on a motion by Jerry, seconded by Jamie and the motion carried.

The claims were approved as presented on a motion by Jamie, seconded by Jerry and the motion carried.

#1 Bennington Shooting Range – Follow up

County attorney Pat McGrath spoke on his opinion and guidance on how to move forward. The shooting range was in existence prior to and in 1996 as a shooting range and is considered as conforming use. Mr. McGrath sighted the Switzerland County Town of Vevay town of Patriot area zoning code, adopted February 5, 1996, section 153.11 non-conforming buildings and uses; The lawful use of a building or premise, existing at the time of the passage of the Ordinance comprising this Chapter, may be continued although such use does not conform to all the provisions of the Code, subject to the following conditions: examples to follow. In addition, sighted Metropolitan Development Commission of Marion County v. Goodman case from 1992. Also, stated was that the Bennington community came to a commissioners meeting and filed a formal complaint that should have been filed with the area zoning board, therefore, the commissioners have no further action to take at this time.

A motion was made by Jamie to not take any further action on the Bennington Sportsman Shooting Club based on current legal counsel recommendations, Jerry seconded the motion and the motion carried.

#2 Tourism – Teresa Bovard Lyons – request to use courthouse lawn and old Jail

Teresa Bovard Lyons presented information on “Ken Maynard Cowboy Days” taking place on July 16, 2022. She asked for approval to use the courthouse lawn and old jail. Teresa will also talk to the town of Vevay Council for the use of Liberty Street. Also, she made note of the trick shooting would could be a noise issue, and wanted us to be aware of this.

Jamie made a motion to approve the use of the courthouse lawn and old jail for “Ken Maynard Cowboy Days” and Jerry seconded the motion, for July 16, 2022.

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#3 Anthony Thomas – Highway Superintendent

Anthony updated the Commissioners on the following:

- Installed pipes on Log Lick Road
- Clean up done around bridge 23, grass seed and straw have been ordered.
- Getting mowers ready for the season
- Ditching done - Pleasant and Cotton townships
- Greenbriar Road – pipe to be replaced
- Works Road – pipe replaced last week
- Salt bins and spreader cleaned up and stored for the season
- Working on list for roads needing chip and seal
- Working on list for roads needing asphalt work
- No truck beds delivered yet
- Jamie mentioned he had a request from a resident on Bill Carpenter Road, to remove rocks from around the culverts, Anthony will take care of it.
- Jamie asked that we publish the names of the roads that will be chip and sealed in the paper to let the public know.

#4 New Business

a. County Spring Cleanup: Vevay will have dumpsters available on May 20, 21, 22, they are working with Vevay Main Street. County will also participate in this 3 day clean up with dumpsters at the County Hwy garage in East Enterprise,

Jerry made a motion to use Leising Excavating for the use of up to 8 dumpsters and Jamie seconded this motion.

b. WTH – GIS sharing data with Core Logic – Jamie made a motion to approve WTH to share data with CoreLogic, as done in previous years, (excluding the parcel notes) Jerry seconded the motion.

c. SEIRD – Citizens Advisory Committee approval – Aaron Bell requested the approval of adding Sharon Hansel to represent the county on the 2022 Citizens Advisory Committee for a one year term. Jerry made a motion to approve Sharon Hansel to the Citizens Advisory Committee Board and Jamie seconded the motion. Grant asked if we could add this to our list to advertise going forward.

#5 Old Business

a. Email Service – Indiana Office of Technology contract – cyber security and dual authentication, due to Gardner Insurance compliance requirements. Contract will include 53 email addresses and new custom domain. Jerry made a motion to approve contract for \$3,498.00 annually, 4 year term, total of \$13,992.00, Jamie seconded the motion.

Also, Marty spoke about back up encryption software, at the request of Gardner Insurance. The software pricing could be as low as \$350.00 or as high as \$1,500.00, Jamie made a motion to approve up to \$1,000.00 to purchase encryption software to satisfy Gardner Insurance request for cyber security, Jerry seconded the motion.

b. Backflow Preventer Valves – quotes received

- o Nadine quoted \$728.00 per year
- o Geiler - \$1,300.00
- o Comfort Systems - \$1,220.00

Jamie made a motion to approve Nadine Mechanical quote for \$728.00 for annual testing on 10 backflow preventers, Jerry seconded the motion.

c. Please Don't Litter Signs – total of 60 signs requested from all townships. SEIRC paid for 10 signs originally. Jamie made a motion to purchase six (6) "Do Not Litter Signs" for each township for a total of (36) at a cost of approximately \$1,800.00 and Jerry seconded the motion. Funds should be used from casino revenue fund to pay for the signs. Additional signs can be purchased by the townships at our cost.

#7 Board Reports

Jamie - Vevay Switzerland County Foundation met and approved 5 grants for school related activities and Law Enforcement

Grant – School Endowment – working on expansion project and finalizing plans

Per Susie, April 18th 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.

Audience member asked if there is an engineer on record for the Evans Hill Road work, yes, Brad Isaacs with Janssen and Spaans, we have three (3) quotes for this job.

PHI medical – reference was contacted and we will continue to look into this and follow up at a later date.

Adjournment – With no further Business to come before the commissioners, Jerry made a motion to adjourn and Jamie seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

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