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Commissioner Hawley opened the weekly meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

EMA

Mike Peconga informed the Board that he attended the District 3 grant meeting. He informed the Board that all grant applications were thrown out and the Allen County Director of the 3rd District will distribute all of the future grants.

A grant for \$550,000 was granted to the 3rd district and each will share in the funds that applied. This grant can only be used for enhancing or upgrading communications in emergency operating centers. This can be a back up for 9-1-1 if they go down by any means. The portion Miami County will receive is \$30,000. Commissioner Boyer moved to apply for this extended grant from District 3. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Deeds and passed 3-0.

Mr. Peconga said the 2009 grant applications are due December 10, 2008. This grant also has to do with communications for the County. Mr. Peconga will bring the information back to the Board for review next Monday.

The EMA Director is also working on a District 3 grant for the Health Department. This is due by December 1, 2008.

The Board was also informed that by 2012 all our radios must be narrow band. Mr. Peconga said he has the money in his budget to upgrade he just needs the Board's permission to do so. Commissioner Deeds moved to let EMA proceed with the upgrade. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Boyer and passed 3-0.

Mr. Peconga also would like to purchase 5 new pagers. They lost 3 recently and he has no spares. The cost is \$456 each and none is in the budget but he has the funds. There is no monthly fee, nor any software needed. Commissioner Deeds moved to allow. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Boyer and passed 3-0.

BID OPENING FOR PEST CONTROL

The Board received bids for service of pest control from two companies which are Indiana Pest Control and Lightning Pest Control. After reviewing the bids Commissioner Deeds moved to take under advisement. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Boyer and passed 3-0.

SNOW REMOVAL CHEMICALS

The Board received information from Quality Chemical Company. They sell grounds keeping equipment and liquid fall away spray to use on concrete prior to snow or ice to prevent accumulation. The Board was informed that the Court House cleaning crew has already purchased our snow removal salt and supplies. No action taken.

LAPORT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

The Board received a letter from Michael Quinn from Laport County encouraging our inspector to attend the annual conference. The Board said they feel our Weights and Measure employee can make that decision and stated that they feel he does a good job.

PAYROLL AND CLAIMS

Commissioner Deeds made a motion to pay the claims and approve the payroll. The motion is 2nd by Commissioner Boyer and passed 3-0.

MINUTES

Commissioner Deeds moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Boyer 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

SHERIFF ROLAND

Sheriff Roland gave the Commissioners his weekly report. He also gave the Board the bill for the inmate that was in safe keeping at the DOC. The bill is for \$2,175.35.

Commissioner Deeds made a motion to move funds from demolition of unsafe buildings to the miscellaneous line in the Commissioners budget. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Boyer and passed 3-0.

The claim for BIS Digital is also brought to the Board for action. A motion was made by Commissioner Deeds to expedite the payment of sound equipment for the 3rd Court. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Boyer and passed 3-0. It is noted that the company requires 50% down before the order is processed.

RQAW PRESENTATION

Representatives from RQAW brought 2 issues to the Board. The first is the furniture specs. There are 4 sets of plans of specs for the furniture for the corrections and office furniture for the new Miami County Jail. After review it was decided that the bids would be opened on December 15, 2008 at 1:00. It was also noted that the completion date of the Jail is September 30, 2009.

The next issue is the 3rd court in the new jail. RQAW will work up the plans and e mail them to the Board for review. Commissioner Deeds moved to advertise the bids for the jail furniture. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Boyer and passed 3-0.

The current jail facility is the next discussion the Board had with RQAW. They would like to do a pre design study to reuse the current jail. The cost is \$20,000 for the study. If they would get the bid for the project \$10,000 of this would be put against the design fees. The timeframe is 8 months to do this which is the proper timeframe given the completion date of the new jail. The Board was given the names of different projects they have done to change the use of an old jail. Commissioner Boyer moved to take this under advisement. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Deeds and passed 3-0.

3RD COURT DISCUSSION

The Board asked Judge Banina to make a list of tables and chairs that he feels is needed for a temporary court room on the 3rd floor of the Court House. Judge Banina agreed to do that for the Commissioners.

HIGHWAY ISSUES

Sam Waltz told the Board that Miller's came Friday and put metal on the roof of the Peru salt shed.

TELEPHONE BILL

A motion was made by Commissioner Deeds to move some funds from demo of unsafe buildings to the miscellaneous line to pay this bill. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Boyer and passed 3-0.

11:00 A.M. BID OPENING

Bids were opened for materials for the Highway Department from the following bidders.

Speedway Stone Sand & Gravel

North Central CoOp

Hanson Aggregates Midwest

Kokomo Gravel Inc.

Pierceton Trucking Company Inc.

Irving Materials-2 facilities

Central Paving Inc.

SemMaterials LP (no bid)

Phend & Brown Inc.

Commissioner Boyer moved to take the bids under advisement and award next week after Sam Waltz makes his recommendations. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Deeds and passed 3-0.

LEGAL NOTICE CONCERNING THE JAIL PROJECT

The Board received a notice of a dispute between a subcontractor and a contractor hired to provide the steel for the jail. This is an issue for CCI which is the County's representative.

No further business to come before the Board.

Commissioner Boyer moved to adjourn. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Deeds and passed 3-0.

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