

MIAMI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
25 N BROADWAY  
PERU, IN 46970  
MINUTES  
05-04-09

Chairman Greg Deeds opened the meeting.

CONCERNED CITIZEN

Betty Rogers came before the Board with a concern about dogs that are running loose in her neighborhood and have come after her and her husband. Her husband is disabled and she is afraid to leave him outside because of these dogs. They also have grandchildren and great grandchildren who play in the yard. She has contacted the Animal Control Officer and the Sheriff's department. The Commissioners will check with the Animal Control Officer and the County Attorney.

ASTRUP BILL

Astrup submitted a bill for partial payment on work done to poles 2, 3, 6, and 12 for \$4,326.00 Commissioner Boyer made a motion to process the bill for payment and Commissioner Faust 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

MINUTES

Commissioner Faust made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Deeds 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

ANIMAL SHELTER

Sandy Chittum came before the Commissioners to get an update on questions regarding the proposed animal shelter. The Commissioners have all received phone calls concerned about the economy and the timing of this project and wanted to know if this project could be scaled down and added to later. Mrs. Chittum asked if she could get donations for the building if they could still help financially in running it and if there would still be ground by the new jail for it. The Commissioners would see what they could do on those two items.

IDEM NOTICE

The Board received a notice from IDEM approving a construction permit to Peru Utilities for the Grissom Wastewater Treatment Plant.

DITCH ON 550

Mr. Joe Eckelbarger lives on 550E and has a drainage issue on a side ditch. The Commissioners had him speak with County Engineer Ken Einselen.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Sheriff Ken Roland introduced Gary Ashenfelter to the Board. Mr. Ashenfelter is with the Indiana Drug Enforcement Association and has an office space at the Jail in return for training our Deputies. There is grant money available to him but it has to go through a

government entity. Sheriff Roland would like for Miami County to be the sponsoring entity.

Sheriff Roland also informed the Board that new legislation passed that Counties have to provide body armor for their officers effective July 1, 2009. Body armor is good for approximately five years and the department's armor is five years old. The Board asked if any grants were available. The Sheriff will check.

#### COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Angie Bever Bonham brought over the new contract. The Board asked her to give a copy to the County Attorney to look over. She will be back next week.

#### IT DEPARTMENT

John Powell, IT Director, informed the Board that the cameras were being installed today. Mr. Powell also spoke with the Commissioners regarding wireless options for the Highway, EMA and the new jail. Mr. Powell and the Commissioners had a discussion about the time clocks the County purchased. Mr. Powell will check with other Counties regarding policies for time clocks.

#### PAYROLL

Commissioner Boyer made a motion to approve payroll and Commissioner Faust 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

#### NEW JAIL CLAIMS

Commissioner Faust made a motion to process the claims for payment. Commissioner Boyer 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### EMA

Mike Peconga informed the Board that there have been 2 cases of the H1N1 in Indiana.

#### HIGHWAY ENGINEER

Ken Einselen, Highway Engineer, received a memo stating that there are more monies available and since Miami County was over matched, we could apply for more money. Mr. Einselen recommended to the Board that we apply for more money. Commissioner Boyer made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Engineer and apply for additional money. Commissioner Faust 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### DORMANT FUNDS

Commissioner Boyer made a motion to approve the Auditor to clean up the funds and move dormant monies to the Rainy Day Fund. Commissioner Faust 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner Boyer made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Faust 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

**Adjourned**

**MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION**

\_\_\_\_\_, **Chairman**  
**Gregory Deeds**

\_\_\_\_\_, **Vice Chairman**  
**C. Craig Boyer**

\_\_\_\_\_, **Member**  
**Harry J. Faust**

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_, **Auditor**  
**Jane Lilley**