

MIAMI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
25 N BROADWAY  
PERU, IN 46970  
MINUTES  
05-24-10

Commissioner Deeds opened the meeting.

EXHAUST FANS AT NEW JAIL

Rick York, maintenance, introduced Brian Eckerty to the Board. Mr. Eckerty had seen in the paper that there was a problem with the exhaust fan at the new jail and informed the Board that he thought it could be fixed for less than \$12,000. The Board thanked him but will be checking to see if it is something that can be covered under warranty.

SHERIFF

Sheriff Ken Roland told the Board that the student from Purdue did a great job but the recommended plants were not a possibility for this area. He recommended that we put a specific dollar amount and let a local company take care of it. Commissioner Faust made a motion to allow \$6,000 and Commissioner Deeds 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

The Sheriff also spoke to the Board on behalf of one of his Deputies that has 16 years on the force, has been ill and is out of sick time. He has some other people in his department that have a lot of time and are willing to give him some of their time so he will not have to go unpaid. The Sheriff asked if there was any way that it could be done. The Board will check with the County Attorney and the Auditor will check with the State and other Counties to see if it is possible.

ASSESSOR

Nancy Gates, County Assessor, brought information regarding some chairs she is going to purchase for her office. She will make the purchase from money other than County General. Commissioner Faust thanked her for informing them.

SIGN AT NEW JAIL

Commissioner Deeds informed the Board that the company that made the dedication plaque at the new jail has agreed to fix the errors and with the corrections, request payment. Commissioner Boyer made a motion to proceed with the corrections and payment. Commissioner Faust 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

ENERGY GRANT

Chairman Deeds informed the Board that he received an e-mail stating that Miami County has been awarded the energy grant.

IDEM NOTICES

The Board received the following IDEM notices:

- CFO RENEWAL for Chris Atley#1478,#1806, #3779,#2303,#1807,#794
- CFO RENEWAL for Richard Wood #663
- CFO RENEWAL for Earl Brown #299

IT DEPARTMENT

John Powell, IT Director, brought 3 quotes for the virtual system. Mr. Powell recommends we go with the Dell System. Commissioner Boyer made a motion to accept the recommendation of Mr. Powell. Commissioner Faust 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

The Board spoke with Pat Roberts, County Attorney, regarding a resolution to accept Dell for the virtualization System.

The Board, Mr. Roberts and Ken Einselen discussed the options of buying the land or a temporary land use in regards to Bridge #28. After some discussion, the Board decided it was not necessary to own the property.

CLERK

Deb Walker, Clerk, informed the Board that the Clerk's office is doing passports again.

CLAIMS

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

#### MINUTES

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

Commissioner Faust made a motion to recess until 1:30. Commissioner Boyer 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

Back in session

The Board met with Julie Hammond, Washington Township Trustee, and Carrie Hamilton, Washington Township resident, regarding a Poor Relief Appeal. Ms. Hamilton asked for help to pay her rent and was denied for having too much income. She receives \$500 a month for her and her 3 year old son. Mrs. Hammond said that was in accordance with the income guidelines for her township. Mrs. Hammond also stated that she would have to report any help she gives to Social Security and they would deduct it from the next check issued to that person. Ms. Hamilton did not know that and would find that as a hardship as well. Commissioner Faust moved to deny the appeal. Commissioner Boyer 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### EMA

Kris Marks thanked the Board for appointing him as EMA Director. He is now in need of an assistant to fill his position. Commissioner Faust asked Mr. Marks if the position would need to be full time. Mr. Marks said he did need a full time assistant to make sure that department continues to meet all State requirements. The State also reimburses part of the salary. The Board asked him to advertise the position.

Mr. Marks also informed the Board he would like to rearrange the office. The Board told him to see what he needs and then check the fourth floor to see if he could use any excess available in the Court House and the old jail.

Mr. Marks also asked if at the end of the year, he still had money available in the tower maintenance line of his budget, he could check into getting a storage shed to set on the slab next to his office. He is very short on storage. The Board will look at the finances.

#### BRIDGE 28

Ken Einselen came back before the Commissioners and informed them after their conversation this morning, he did some checking and a permanent easement would give the County the access it needs but still leaves the control in the hands of the owner of the land. Commissioner Boyer made a motion to get a permanent easement. Commissioner Faust 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner Faust made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Boyer 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**