

MIAMI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
25 N BROADWAY
PERU, IN 46970
FEBRUARY 25, 2013

The sound system was not made available for this meeting.

Chairman Francis called the meeting to order.

MINUTES

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the February 11th minutes. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

Roger Feldhaus presented the Board with a packet of information regarding the programs and statistics associated with the local Workforce Development. Mr. Feldhaus and Terri Simmons spoke about the different programs offered, such as the Jobs for Americas Graduates (JAG), On the Job Training (OJT), Dislocated Worker programs and Job Club to name a few. They had planned on two participants coming to share their stories with the Board but things came up and they couldn't make it so they sent their stories in written form which was read by several staff members.

Mayor James Walker informed the Board that City of Peru has utilized the JAG program and he is very impressed with it. The improvements that have been made to the City parks are mostly due to the hard work of those individuals.

Mr. Feldhaus also informed the Board that the location for Peru has changed; they are no longer in the Ivey Tech Building but at the very end of East Main Street by the Senior Center.

BAY GEOPHYSICAL

Mr. Shoemaker came before the Commissioners to ask for a road permit that would allow Bay Geophysical to search for possible reserves of petroleum and/or natural gas along old state road 24 beginning at the Miami Wabash line to 300E. The Board put the same restriction on this request as they did the request for Strawtown Pike (only between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.). Commissioner West made a motion to sign the permit restricting Bay Geophysical to Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and/or weekends. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Tammy Gamble came before the Board to request permission to purchase two new computers. The computers currently in that office are around 5 years old and not able to perform the functions they need to do such as the flood plain maps. Ms. Gamble said they had enough money (computers \$1,350 and software \$653.56) in their budget to purchase the equipment. Commissioner West made a motion to allow. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

IT

Commissioner West made a motion to re-hire Brian Edgerton beginning March 8th at a salary of \$34,000. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0. Mr. Edgerton will primarily work with the jail, 9-1-1 and Peru City (Peru City will reimburse the County 20% of his wages and benefits) which will free up Mr. Evans to do other things.

Mr. Evans asked when they would change him to Director of IT instead of Interim Director of IT. Commissioner Hamman stated that it was to be a period of 6 months. Commissioner West said it should be at least 3 months. The Board will review his status at the end of March.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

Pat Roberts brought the IT Inter-local agreement to the Board for their review.

INSURANCE

The Board reviewed several policies that are up for renewal with Bill Summers of Saine-Summers Insurance. After some discussion, Commissioner West made a motion to renew policy CAP 5202075. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner West made a motion to renew policy BEP 2663539. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

HIGHWAY

Sam Waltz brought in the advertisement for spring bids for the Board to review. Commissioner West made a motion to approve the bids for advertising. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Mr. Waltz and the Board discussed upcoming projects.

EMA

Kris Marks, EMA Director, informed the Board that he is keeping an eye on the weather.

AUDITOR

The Auditor requested hiring a part time person out of the Plat Book Fund to help with the GIS project. Commissioner West made a motion to allow. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

ANIMAL CONTROL

The Commissioners received Animal Control Reports.

HIGHWAY ENGINEER

The Board asked the Auditor to check on the salary for the Highway Engineer. The Highway Department all got raises except for Mr. Einselen. The Auditor is to figure the amount for a 3% raise (retroactive to January 1st) and advertise for an additional appropriation.

Commissioner Hamman made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner West 2nd the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

Adjourned

MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION

_____, **Chairman**
Joshua Francis

_____, **Vice Chairman**
Larry West

_____, **Member**
Jerry Hamman

Attest: _____, **Auditor**
Jane Lilley