

MIAMI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
25 N. BROADWAY
PERU, IN 46970
MINUTES
05-29-2012

Commissioner Boyer opened the meeting.

IT

John Powell, IT Director, informed the Board that he and his assistant had discussed the candidates for the 3rd IT position over the weekend. They had narrowed it down to two however one lives in Ohio. Mr. Powell is ready to make a recommendation to the Commissioners. Commissioner Faust made a motion to have Mr. Powell bring in the candidate that he has selected for an interview with the Board. Commissioner Francis 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0

INSURANCE REQUEST

Commissioner Faust informed the Board that the insurance company had requested to walk through the building just to make sure there are no major findings. There was a notation that combustibles storage on the fourth floor should be limited and arranged in an organized fashion to minimize potential fire hazards.

MASTER GARDENERS

Commissioner Chairman Boyer stated he had received a letter from the Master Gardeners stating that all the plots are full and next year they could use even more. The Board of Commissioners supports the Master Gardeners.

MEXICO SEWER DISTRICT

Ken Einselen, Highway Engineer, received a complaint regarding the sidewalks in Mexico. Mr. Einselen walked the sidewalks and found some places where the existing sidewalks were disrupted by the placement of sewer laterals. The Board agreed that the understanding is that they will repair any damage they did during the project.

TORT CLAIM

The Board received a tort claim from Roby & Manges regarding an accident that happened in the County.

TIMECARD

The Board received the timecard of one of their employees who left for final signature. Commissioner Faust made a motion to sign and Commissioner Francis 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

ORDINANCE 5-29-12

An ordinance establishing the placement of a yield sign for southbound traffic control at the intersection of Paw Paw Pike and County Road 550 East was brought before the Board for a second vote (did not pass unanimously the first time). Commissioner Francis made a motion to approve. Chairman Boyer 2nd the motion and it passed 2-1 (Faust opposed).

HIGHWAY

Sam Waltz, Highway Supervisor, brought in the annual report for the Highway. Commissioner Francis made a motion to sign the Highway Annual Report. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Chairman Boyer informed Mr. Waltz that he had been approached by the Town of Amboy regarding the Highway doing dust control for short street in Amboy (Amboy would pay for it). Mr. Waltz stated he thought it could be done.

Commissioner Francis asked Mr. Waltz if he could look at Paw Paw3 Pike and 600 N to see if there needs to be any stop signs. Mr. Waltz said he would look at it but would probably need the Engineer to do a study.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

The Board received a letter from Kameron and Hayley Donaldson informing them that they had applied to IDEM for a permit to expand their hog farm by two more building. The Board, Mr. Waltz and Pat Roberts, County Attorney discussed different options that might be available to protect the roads of the County. There has been some extreme damage to some of the County roads with these types of projects. The Board wants to be fair to the farmers but they have to be fair with the taxpayers of the county as well. Mr. Roberts will do some checking for the Board.

There is still an issue with a \$40,000 change order with the Business 31 project which the Board asked Mr. Roberts to look at as well. Mr. Roberts will contact the project manager.

The Board also had a few questions on the new nepotism that will take effect July 1.

PAYROLL

Commissioner Francis made a motion to approve the payroll. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

MINUTES

Commissioner Francis made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

IT POSITION

John Powell, IT Director, introduced Ashley Kersh-Fletcher. Mr. Powell is recommending her for the third IT position. Mr. Powell stated that she is strong in software issue along with strong website skills. Commissioner Faust made a motion to hire Ashley Kersh-Fletcher on the recommendation of Mr. Powell. Commissioner Francis 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

SHERIFF CAR

The claim for the new car for the Sheriff's department was presented. Commissioner Francis made a motion to process the check. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

LIEBERMAN TECHNOLOGIES BILL

The Board received a bill from Lieberman Technologies for software at the jail. Commissioner Francis made a motion to pay it out of the Commissioner's budget. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

KEYS

Commissioner Francis made a motion to have Commissioner Faust get a list of keys and badges (Mr. Faust will be asking to see all of them). Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

GLASS AT SOUTH END OF BUILDING

Security Officer Tim Hunter informed the Board that there is a crack in the glass by the door at the South end of the building. Commissioner Francis made a motion to have Officer Hunter call Peru Glass and get it repaired (and also have Peru Glass check the door on Court Street to see if they could do anything with the etching in the glass). Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner Francis made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

Adjourned

MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION

_____, **Chairman**
C. Craig Boyer

_____, **Vice Chairman**
H. Jon Faust

_____, **Member**
Joshua Francis

Attest: _____ **Auditor**
Jane Lilley