

MIAMI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
25 N BROADWAY  
PERU, IN 46970  
October 28, 2013

Chairman Francis called the meeting to order. All members were present.

PROSECUTOR

Prosecutor Bruce Embrey asked for a check to be cut out of his Deferral Fund today for a retainer on a case he is working on that needs to be mailed today. Commissioner West made a motion to allow the check to be processed and mailed today. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Commissioners will have an executive session Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

MINUTES

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the minutes from October 21st. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

PAYROLL

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the payroll. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

CLAIMS

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

TRAIL

Commissioner Francis received an e-mail from Bill Click regarding a bike accident at the crossing on 500. Mr. Click requested that the Board of Commissioners take out the railroad crossing tracks. The Commissioners do not believe that is within their jurisdiction and will check with their attorney.

EXTENSION OFFICE

Gary Horner, Extension Office, came before the Board to discuss his budget. The Commissioners recognize that there is not a lot that can be cut from this budget and Mr. Horner thanked them for that. After some discussion, it was decided that \$1,500 could be cut from travel bringing the total for the Extension budget from \$118,651 to \$117,151.

AUDITOR

Auditor Jane Lilley informed the Board that after reviewing her budget she felt that she could cut \$500 from her travel and \$250 from her rebinding. Mrs. Lilley also told the Board that she felt she could pay an additional \$5,000 from her Plat Book Fund towards the GIS contract, which would lower the Commissioners budget \$5,000.

COMMISSIONERS

The Commissioners noted that they could lower computer software \$5,000 (due to the Auditor picking up and additional \$5,000 on the GIS), \$5,000 from CSI (due to the Clerk picking up an \$5,000 toward CSI contract) and cut \$15,000 from demolition of buildings, lowering their budget from \$3,693,653 to \$3,668,653.

HIGHWAY

There was discussion regarding personnel at the Highway. The group looked at Phase I, II and III as well as Local Road and Street and what has been appropriated in C.E.D.I.T. No cuts were made to any of the Highway budgets.

VETERAN OFFICER

Jay Kendall informed the Board that he cut everything he could 2 years ago. The Board agreed and there were no cuts made to the Veteran budget.

Mr. Kendall also gave the Board a list of vacation days allowed by other counties.

**MCEDA**

Jim Tidd came before the Board to discuss the 31 Coalition and the Capital Improvement Plan. In order to be eligible for an OCRA grant, we would need to do an income survey and from the information Mr. Tidd has received, Miami County likely will not qualify because we need to be at 50% poverty and we are only around 40%. The question is do we spend \$10,000 on a survey to find out the County probably does not qualify or do we just pay for the update of the plan. Tammy Gamble, Planning and Zoning, informed the Board of Commissioners that updating the Plan has to go before the Planning and Zoning Board. Commissioner Chairman stated that Planning and Zoning would be heavily involved. Ms. Gamble stated proper procedure is that it comes to Planning and Zoning first. Chairman Francis stated that they are only voting to proceed with the process and determining how to pay for it. Commissioner Hamman made a motion to allow Mr. Tidd to take before the Council. Commissioner West 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

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Cliff Gardner asked the Board for permission to hire several part time people due to one employee who has already left and another one that will be leaving. Commissioner Hamman made a motion to allow as long as he does not go over the appropriated amount for part time help. Commissioner West 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

**PLANNING & ZONING**

Brian Engel, Tammy Gamble and Jim Denham came before the Board to discuss the Planning and Zoning budget. The following reductions were agreed on:

- \*travel -4,000
- \*litigation -2,000
- \*communication -500
- \*printing -2,000

These reduce the budget by \$8,500, bring the Planning and Zoning budget to \$91,880.

**HANGER 200 UPDATE**

Mr. Tidd gave an update on the Hanger 200 project and asked for the Commissioners approval to go before the Council and request a reimbursement of \$266,827 and an additional appropriation of \$273,452. Commissioner West made a motion to approve. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

**PROSECUTOR**

Prosecutor Bruce Embrey came before the Board to discuss his budgets. Prosecutor Embrey reviewed both the Prosecutor and the 4D budgets and could not find anywhere he could cut.

Mr. Embrey asked the Commissioners to look at the salaries of his staff. His staff are secretaries and paralegals.

Commissioner West made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hamman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

**Adjourned**

**MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION**

\_\_\_\_\_, **Chairman**  
**Joshua Francis**

\_\_\_\_\_, **Vice Chairman**  
**Larry West**

\_\_\_\_\_, **Member**  
**Jerry Hamman**

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