

MIAMI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
25 N BROADWAY  
PERU, IN 46970  
February 25, 2019

Commissioner Hunt called the meeting to order. All Commissioners are present.

**MINUTES**

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the 2/4/19 minutes. Commissioner Musselman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

**PAYROLL**

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

**CLAIMS**

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

**CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION**

Denise Brehmer, Miami County Child Abuse Prevention Council came before the board to request permission to place blue pinwheels on the Courthouse lawn for the month of April to bring awareness to child abuse. Commissioner Musselman made a motion to approve the request to place pinwheels on the lawn. Commissioner West 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

**BARNES AND THORNBURG**

The board received an invoice from Barnes & Thornburg for \$16,380 for work on the Dam Litigation. The board would like a detailed invoice for review before paying the claim.

**CIRCUS CITY FESTIVAL**

The board received a request from the Circus City Festival for use of the following the week of July 13 – July 20, 2019 for the Circus Festival. The request asks for use of the sidewalk in front of the Courthouse, County Parking Lot for rides, Court Street for rides/booths, Courthouse lawn, key to the Courthouse for extreme weather emergency and use of water for carnival rides on the east side of the Courthouse (if necessary). Commissioner West made a motion to approve the request with the exception of the key to the Courthouse. Commissioner Musselman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0. Commissioner West amended his motion to include a \$100 fee for water. Motion passed 3-0.

**ENERGY SAVINGS COMMITTEE**

The board made the following appointments to create a new Energy Savings Committee: Alan Hunt, Fred Musselman, Larry West (Board of Commissioners Representative), Ralph Duckwall, Dick Wiles, Dave Sailors, Tim Hunter, Dave Vitek, Rick York, Gary Hawley and Jason Hahn. The purpose of the Energy Savings Committee will work with Amersesco to investigate needs of the county and potential energy savings. Commissioner West made a motion to approve the formalization of the Energy Savings Committee. Commissioner Musselman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

**CORONER VAN**

The board received purchase agreement for the purchase of the Coroner van from Flowers-Leedy for \$6,000.00. Commissioner West made a motion to approve the purchase of the bill of sale from Flowers-Leedy for the Coroner van. Commissioner Musselman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

**VETERANS OFFICE**

Jay Kendall, Veterans Service Officer came before the board to request an upgrade to the 2 computers in his office. VSO Kendall stated that he has the 2 oldest computers in the Courthouse and found out the judges recently upgraded and their old computers are available. VSO Kendall noted that the computers are better than what he currently has

and does not mind using a recycled computer. The board will speak to IT about having the computers changed out.

VSO Kendall also shared with the board that there could be a need to purchase a new van for his office. Currently, the van has almost 200,000 miles on it and Federal Government normally forces replacement at 250,000 miles. VSO Kendall secured a Ford Flex from another county and they use it to transport veterans instead of the van. The only time they use the van is if there are appointment cancellations, otherwise they are able to save putting miles on it. VSO Kendall wanted the board to be aware that he could be asking for a new van at some point.

### **HIGHWAY BID AWARDS**

The board accepted all bids for use of materials for roads and bridges at their 2/4/19 meeting. Miami County Highway will use the materials based on best price, quality, location and availability. They are as follows:

#### **Item 1 Stone, Gravel, Sand**

**Vendors:** Hanson Aggregate, IMI Peru & Swayee, Kokomo Gravel, and Speedway Sand & Gravel Disko Plant

#### **Item 2, & 3 Bituminous Materials, Seals, Hot Asphalt, Winter/Summer Cold Mix Liquid Asphalt, Plant Rental**

##### **Vendors:**

Asphalt Materials INC-, Bit-Mat Products accept/award, E&B Paving Inc, Gaunt & Son Asphalt, Inc. Central Paving Inc. , Phend & Brown, Inc. Pierceton Trucking Co. Inc.

#### **Item 4 Fuel**

##### **Vendor:**

Ceres Solution

### **HIGHWAY ENGINEER**

Ken Einselen, Highway Engineer came before the board to present Supplemental Agreement #1 with Butler, Fairman, and Seufert for work on the Wayne Street Bridge. The agreement increases their fees from \$62,580.00 to \$90,100.00. Commissioner West made a motion to approve Supplemental Agreement #1 with Butler, Fairman, and Seufert for work on the Wayne Street Bridge. Commissioner Musselman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

### **PERU PUBLIC LIBRARY INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT**

Sandy Chittum came before the board with Anna Jo McKaig to review the proposed 2019 Interlocal Agreement, which provides the Peru Public Library with \$75,000.00 to cover 1000 cards to county residents. Ms. Chittum explained that Interlocal Agreement for 2018 worked well and the Peru Public Library would like to continue to same agreement for 2019. Ms. Chittum noted that there was a suggestion offered by Commissioner West and Council President Duckwall, which included increasing the cards to 1500 with the same contribution of \$75,000.00. Ms. Chittum stated that the Library Board is willing to review the suggestion for 2020, but already has their budget set for 2019, based off on the \$75,000 contribution and 1000 cards. Commissioner Musselman made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement for \$75,000.00 and 1000 cards. Commissioner West 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 2-1 (West opposed).

### **CIRCUIT COURT**

Judge Spahr came before the board with a quote from Schrock's Precision Door for a new podium to use in his Drug Court. Judge Spahr explained that he has been using the podium from Superior Court 1, but would prefer to have his own so that he does not have to move the podium back and forth between the courts. Judge Spahr noted that the company does outstanding work and is the same who refurbished the benches, railing and table a few years ago. Total cost of the podium is \$1,376.00 and requires a 50% down payment. Commissioner West made a motion to approve the request to purchase a podium for \$1,376.00 to be paid from Cum Courthouse. Commissioner Musselman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

Judge Spahr spoke to the board about old chandeliers in the basement that he would like to repurpose for his courtroom. Judge Spahr understand the county is working on an energy savings program and would like to have the lights converted to LED. Judge Spahr asked the board to keep that in mind if they move forward with the energy savings project.

#### **ELEVATOR UPDATE**

Commissioner West stated that they are waiting on a new part to be installed and plans to follow-up with Thyssenkrupp after the meeting. Judge Spahr stated that he has had to cancel trials or held them in less than normal conditions and growing more and more concerned about getting people to the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. Commissioner Hunt stated that the board is doing more research to see if they can find other companies who would be willing to quote on a replacement. Commissioner West explained that he reached out to an elevator company and never received a response. Commissioner Hunt noted the board understands and sympathizes with the frustration over the elevator issue. There will be a lot of work required if they end up moving towards replacement. Commissioner Musselman stated that it could be 8 months or more from start to finish with the project.

#### **BLIGHTED PROPERTY-GRISSOM**

Jim Tidd, MCEDA came before the board to request approval of a resolution to deem building #14 (old base ops building) as blighted. Mr. Tidd explained the building has been unoccupied since 1994, sits very close to the runway and interferes with the planes coming in to the base. Mr. Tidd stated that if the board deems the property blighted he can then apply for a federal grant to have the building demolished. Mr. Tidd noted that there is asbestos removal required with the demolition. The grant would be a 20% match by the county and he would suggest those funds coming from CEDIT. Commissioner West made a motion to approve Resolution 02-25-2019 declaring building #14 blighted. Commissioner Musselman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### **REGIONAL PLANNING DESIGNEE**

Mr. Tidd explained the North Central Indiana Regional Plan Council has 2 staff members, Steven Ray and Jennifer Santos. Mr. Tidd requested the board name Jennifer Santos as a county representative to so that she can submit documents to the state for environmental review. Commissioner West made a motion to authorize Commissioner Hunt to sign a letter of designation for Jennifer Santos as a representative of the county. Commissioner Musselman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### **NORTH CENTRAL INDIANA REGIONAL PLAN COUNCIL APPOINTMENT**

Commissioner Musselman made a motion to appoint Bob Kling to the North Central Indiana Regional Plan Council. Commissioner Hunt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 2-1 (West opposed).

#### **TOWN OF BUNKER HILL**

Carl Wade came before the board to request assignments of the following properties in the Town of Bunker Hill: 127 & 129 E Broadway St 52-11-32-216-007.000-018, 147 E Broadway St 52-11-32-216-012.000-018 and 136 S Railroad St 52-11-32-216-021.000-018. Aaron Wilson, Deputy Auditor stated that the county currently holds the certificates on the properties and did not see an issue assigning the properties to the Town of Bunker Hill. Commissioner West made a motion to assign the start the process of assigning the properties to the Town of Bunker Hill. Commissioner Musselman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed 3-0.

#### **MIAMI COUNTY WORTH REMEMBERING**

Brenda Weaver, Miami County Worth Remembering came before the board to share that a group from Miami County took 100 poppies to the State War Museum. The War Museum will create an exhibit to and then host a ribbon cutting when it opens. Ms. Weaver noted that representatives from the different groups who helped make the poppies would be attending and encouraged the board to attend as well.

#### **PERRY PRO-TECH**

Ryan Olbin and Tom Alter, Perry Pro-Tech came before the board to present services that they offer for IT management. Mr. Alter explained that Perry Pro-Tech is 100%

employee owned and works with Wabash, Wells and Adams counties with their copier, IT , firewall, etc. needs. Mr. Alter stated that they would do a comprehensive review of all our equipment and IT and then help to build a 5-year technology plan. This streamlines services from several vendors down to 1, while providing a fixed-fee making it easier for the county to budget. Mr. Atler noted that the cost of review is at no charge. Commissioner West would like to review any counties that Perry Pro-Tech has worked with to migrate from Intrasect so they he can speak to them about the service offered. Mr. Alter will provide a list of references who Perry Pro-Tech services, as well as those that have migrated from Intrasect for the board to review.

**ADJOURN**

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

**Adjourned**

**MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

\_\_\_\_\_, **Chairman**  
**Alan Hunt**

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

\_\_\_\_\_, **Member**  
**Keith Musselman**

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_, **Auditor**  
**Mary Brown**