

POSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TUESDAY JULY 16th, 2019

The Posey County Commissioners met in regular session at the Hovey House on Tuesday, July 16th, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. The following members were present at said meeting: Commissioner Carl Schmitz, Commissioner Jay Price, and Commissioner Randy Thornburg; Deputy Auditor Becky Woods and Commissioner Attorney Joseph Harrison.

C. Schmitz called the Posey County Commissioners Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

J. Price made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 2nd, 2019 Commissioners meeting; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

CLAIMS

R. Thornburg made a motion to approve the Claims as presented; J. Price seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

CLERK AND TREASURER'S REPORT

J. Price made a motion to approve the June Clerk and Treasurer's report; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

BOOKING FEE ORDINANCE 2ND READING

C. Schmitz explained this is the second reading of ordinance number 2019-07-02-01. Posey County Sheriff, Tom Latham, stated this ordinance would create a \$50.00 booking fee for any inmate that is convicted in Court.

C. Schmitz opened the public portion of the meeting for comments regarding this ordinance. Seeing no one to speak for or against, Mr. Schmitz closed the public portion of the meeting.

R. Thornburg made a motion to approve the final reading of the Booking Fee ordinance; J. Price seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

VOTE CENTER MODEL

Kay Kilgore, Posey County Clerk, informed the Commissioners that the Election Board has voted to recommend Posey County be designated as a Vote Center County. Mrs. Kilgore is asking the Commissioners to approve an ordinance designating Posey County as a Vote Center County as well. Mrs. Kilgore explained this will allow the County to use vote centers and this allows voters to vote at any vote center. Mrs. Kilgore stated this will cut the number of polling places from 21 to 10 centers. Mrs. Kilgore stated this will help with the cost of the election and will allow the County to decrease the number of poll workers by about 50%. Mrs. Kilgore stated they are looking to implement this for the municipal election in the fall, which will have two vote centers.

Joe Harrison, Commissioners Attorney stated this is the model Vanderburgh County uses. Mrs. Kilgore explained that locations for vote centers could be amended once they are established.

R. Thornburg made a motion to approve this request; J. Price seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

AREA PLAN REZONE REQUEST

Kathy Neaveill, with Posey County Area Plan, presented the Commissioners with a rezoning request. Mrs. Neaveill stated the Area Plan Commission heard this request at the July 11th, 2019

meeting where it was passed with an 8-0 vote with no remonstrators. Mrs. Neaveill stated this request is for 6000 Indian Mounds; requesting to be rezoned from B-2(Commercial General) to M2 (Medium Manufacturing). Mrs. Neaveill stated the property is currently a fitness center and will continue to operate as such, but will be utilizing part of the facility as a welding fabrication shop. R. Thornburg asked if there are plans in place to address the fumes and dust that would come from the fabrication area. Roger Layman and Ian Weatherford, landowner, addressed the Commissioners regarding this question. Mr. Weatherford stated there will be a wall that separates the two sections, with each having its own ventilation and HVAC system and will meet all building codes.

J. Price made a motion to approve this request; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

CELLULAR NATION

Kay Kilgore, Posey County Clerk, informed the Commissioners she had recently met with Cellular Nation so she might familiarize herself with the current camera system. Mrs. Kilgore stated while they were looking at the system in the Coliseum, it was discovered that the current DVR system that records activity on the second floor was not operating. Mrs. Kilgore stated the cameras are ok but the DVR needs to be replaced. Mrs. Kilgore presented the Commissioners with a quote for a new DVR system. Mrs. Kilgore quoted the following prices:

8 Channel DVR: \$800.00

16 Channel DVR: \$1000.00

Mrs. Kilgore stated it is her recommendation that the Commissioners go with the 8-channel option and that price will include installation.

R. Thornburg asked how many cameras are currently being used. Mrs. Kilgore stated five on the second floor.

C. Schmitz asked if they could install a camera in the Building Commissioners hallway. Mrs. Kilgore stated she would get a price quote for this.

J. Price made a motion to approve the quote for the 8 channel DVR for \$800.00; R. Thornburg seconded. C. Schmitz stated this would be paid from the equipment line. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

C. Schmitz stated the departments that currently have panic buttons need to get with Jason Knowles, Posey County Dispatch Director, to set up a time to test. Mr. Schmitz would like to see this happen on a monthly basis. Mr. Schmitz stated if anyone who doesn't have one, but would need one, to please contact the Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

Steve Schenk, Posey County Highway Superintendent, informed the Commissioners that they have completed repairs on Bridge #58 and that is now open to traffic with a 4-ton weight limit. Mr. Schenk stated roads are being prepared to be paved, trees are being trimmed and ditches are being cleaned out.

Ed Batteiger, Posey County Building Commissioner, asked the Commissioners if he could gather prices for a computer software upgrade. Mr. Schmitz told him to get the prices and bring the next meeting.

Posey County Sheriff, Tom Latham, informed the Commissioners the jail is currently housing the following inmates:

DOC: 12

Sullivan County: 11

Vanderburgh: 53

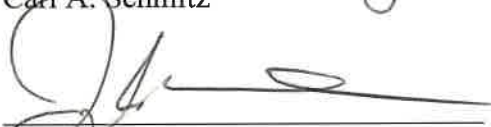
Posey County: 43

Sheriff Latham informed the Commissioners although there has recently been a statute change in the amount of per diem that is allowed to be billed to other Counties for housing inmates, due to budgetary shortfalls the superintendent of Indiana Department of Corrections has informed the department that they do not have enough funds to allow for the new per diem. Mr. Latham stated unfortunately the statute allows the new per diem to not be paid if funds are not available to be paid. Sheriff Latham stated he is speaking out to our legislators to see if they can help with this issue and he will keep the Commissioners informed.

No further business was discussed and the meeting was adjourned.



Carl A. Schmitz



Jay Price



Randy Thornburg

ATTEST: 
