

POSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TUESDAY AUGUST 20th, 2019

The Posey County Commissioners met in regular session at the Hovey House on Tuesday, August 20th, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. The following members were present at said meeting: Commissioner Carl Schmitz, Commissioner Jay Price, and Commissioner Randy Thornburg; Auditor Maegen Greenwell 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 16th, 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.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

CIRCUIT AND SUPERIOUR COURT COMPUTER SYSTEM UPGRADE REQUEST

Judge Goedde and Judge Clowers informed the Commissioners the Courts recently had to switch to Windows 10 and once the those updates were completed they realized the recording software would not be compatible.

Judge Goedde stated each Court would need a tower upgrade. Judge Goedde stated Word Systems have quoted a total of \$11,875.00 for the needed computer tower, maintenance contract and two user agreements.

R. Thornburg made a motion to approve this request to be paid from the Commissioners Computer Equipment line; J. Price seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

FAMILY OF FAITH 5K REQUEST

Greg Morrison, with Family of Faith Church, is requesting permission to close several County roads for a 5K that will take place September 14th, 2019 beginning at 8:00am.

Mr. Morrison stated he has spoken with the Sheriff and would need barricades at the following roads: West Street, Story Street, Parish Street, East Street, and Waller Hill. Mr. Morrison stated the roads would be closed for roughly an hour and half.

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

SMALL PURCHASE ORDER ORDANANCE

Joe Harrison, Posey County Commissioner's Attorney, stated this is an ordinance to allow the Commissioners to purchase equipment, supplies and material that total less than \$50,000.00 without obtaining multiple bids/quotes. Mr. Harrison stated this follows State Code but the Commissioners must also have an ordinance in place. Mr. Harrison stated this would be typically used for emergency situations or when only one vendor provides the needed service. Mr. Harrison stated this is the first reading, with the second reading being at the September 3rd Commissioners meeting.

J. Price made a motion to approve Ordinance number 2019-08-20-01; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

OVERGROWN WEEDS

C. Schmitz showed several properties that he considers to be in violation of the overgrown weed ordinance. Mr. Schmitz stated he is hopeful the Commissioners can work with Mr. Harrison to find a solution and funding to allow these properties to be cleaned up and allowing the County to recoup those funds from the property owners.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Steve Schenk, Posey County Highway Superintendent, stated he was contacted by the City Street Department asking the County Commissioners to contact Evansville Western Railroad, on the Cities behalf, to request a crossing light and a rail guard at the rail crossing on Smith Road. J. Price made a motion to draft a letter to both INDOT and Evansville Western Railroad in support of placing a crossing light and rail guard on Smith Road; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

Mr. Schenk informed the Commissioners that paving is running a few weeks behind but should see paving begin soon.

Mr. Schenk stated he is expecting the Community Crossing money to be in anytime.

Charles Thompson, Posey County Dispatch Director, informed the Commissioners the new ambulance is due in Thursday, which will be Medic 5 at the St. Phillip Station. Mr. Thompson stated the department has taken in \$580,000.00 year to date.

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

12 DOC

5 Sullivan County

62 Vanderburgh County

51 Posey County

Total of 130 inmates

Sheriff Latham informed the Commissioners he has some concerns regarding the school zone at South Terrace. Mr. Latham stated this school zone currently does not have any warning lights. Mr. Latham stated he has funds he would like to spend to purchase a solar powered blinking light for that school zone.

Commissioner Carl Schmitz stated the Commissioners are looking into purchasing land from Vectren to utilize for a salt storage in the Marrs area. Mr. Schmitz stated the Commissioners must have two appraisals before they can move forward. R. Thornburg made a motion to allow the County have the ground appraised by two appraisal companies; J. Price seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

No further business was discussed and the meeting was adjourned.

Carl A. Schmitz
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ATTEST: Margaret L. Greenwell