# POSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1ST, 2019

The Posey County Commissioners met in regular session at the Hovey House on Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. The following members were present at said meeting: Carl Schmitz; Jay Price; Randy Thornburg; Commissioners Attorney Joe Harrison; and Deputy Auditor Shelley Hargrove.

C. Schmitz called the Posey County Commissioners meeting to order at 9:00am with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **MINUTES**

R. Thornburg made a motion to approve the September 17<sup>th</sup> Commissioners minutes; J. Price seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

## **CLAIMS**

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

#### **CLERK'S REPORT**

C. Schmitz tabled the Clerk's report until the October 16, 2019 meeting.

# **COMMISSIONER'S MEETING DATE CHANGES**

C. Schmitz stated the following changes to the Commissioners meeting schedule for the remainder of the year:

Wednesday, October 16th, 2019 due to Columbus Day Holiday

Monday, November 4th, 2019 due to Election Day

Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 due to Commissioners Conference

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

## SHERIFF K9 FUND ORDINANCE SECOND READING

- C. Schmitz stated this is the second reading of the Sheriff's K9 Fund ordinance number 2019-09-17-01.
- R. Thornburg made a motion to approve this ordinance; J. Price seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

## SHERIFF'S BOOKING FEE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Posey County Sheriff, Tom Latham, stated the original ordinance read that the Sheriff's department would collect the \$50.00 booking fee from the inmates commissary fund. Sheriff Latham stated inmates were circumventing the system and removing the funds from their Commissary, to prevent this fee from being collected. Sheriff Latham stated he spoke with the Posey County Judge Goedde asking him to allow that fee to be collected by the Clerk's office.

C. Schmitz stated the original ordinance number is 2019-07-02-01 and the amended ordinance will be 2019-10-01-01.

Commissioner Attorney, Joe Harrison, informed the Commissioners they could wave the first reading of the amended ordinance via a motion, allowing the passage of the amended ordinance with one reading.

- R. Thornburg made a motion to wave the first reading of the amended ordinance; J. Price seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.
- R. Thornburg made a motion to approve ordinance number 2019-10-01-01; J. Price seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

## **OPEN BURN BAN POLICY**

- C. Schmitz stated Posey County is the only County in Southern Indiana and Western Kentucky that have not declared a burn ban.
- J. Price made a motion to approve the Open Burn Ban Policy; R. Thornburg seconded.
- C. Schmitz stated this can be rescinded at any time the Commissioners feel it is safe to do so.

The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

# **DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

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

66 Posey County Inmates

72 Vanderburgh County Inmates

10 DOC

2 Sullivan County Inmates

Total: 150 inmates

C. Schmitz asked with the jail housing 150 inmates, is it crowded. Sheriff stated no, he could take on more inmates if he had the staff to do so safely.

Charles Thompson, Posey County EMS Director, stated the new Ambulance is in services.

- C. Schmitz read the Animal Control report for September as follows:
- 35 Complaints
- 6 Animals Picked Up

No further business was discussed and the meeting was adjourned.

Carl A. Schmitz

Randy Thornbur

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