

Wells County Commissioners

Regular Session 8-18-2014

The Wells County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday August 18, 2014 at 9:30AM in the Commissioner's Room of the Wells County Carnegie Annex, Bluffton, IN. Those in attendance were Commissioners, C. Scott Mossburg, Kevin Woodward and Blake Gerber. Also in attendance were County Attorney, Roy Johnson and County Auditor, Beth Davis.

Minutes: Motion made by Blake Gerber, seconded by Kevin Woodward to approve the minutes from August 4, 2014 regular session. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll: Commissioners approved Payroll #17 in the amount of \$208,807.23.

Claims: Commissioners approved 221 claims in the amount of \$233,675.73.

Wells County Sheriff: Sheriff Fisher reported 68 inmates, 11 are DOC and 2 federal. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to sign the inmate healthcare contract with Quality Correctional Care LLC that was approved at the last commissioner's meeting (Misc. 2014-16). Motion carried 3-0.

Wells County Highway Supervisor: Ed Herman provided updates on road markings, roadside mowing and chip and seal roads.

Wells County Highway Engineer: Toby Steffen, with Butler Fairman Seufert presented an application for permit for buried facilities from Citizens Telephone Corp. on County Road 900 South. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to approve the request from Citizens Telephone. Motion carried 3-0. Toby also presented an application to bury cable at 4805 E 900 N from Frontier Communications. Motion made by Blake Gerber, seconded by Kevin Woodward to approve the request from Frontier Communications. Motion carried 3-0. Toby updated the commissioner's on the work being done on the Liberty structure #1026 and the Hoosier Highway structure. County Attorney, Roy Johnson informed the commissioners that he received information back from Thunderbird Investment stating that it would cost \$7,000 for replacement of his fence to gain access to his property for log jam removal at bridge #54; Toby stated he would go down and check this out. Toby also informed the Board of Commissioners that Rick Ramseyer has completed the work at Bridge No. 59 and he felt like this should take care of the drain issue on Mr. Blinn's property. Mr. Blinn was also present at the meeting and he stated that the work Rick Ramseyer did would not take care of the problem. The Commissioner's stated that they contract with engineers to do the work for the county and they would like to wait and see if the work Mr. Ramseyer did corrected the problem before anything else is done.

Council of Aging: Flow Charts were presented showing increases again for Wells on Wheels. Bonnie Valind presented the second quarter reimbursement report totaling \$116,134. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to approve the invoice claim for \$116,134 and allow the president of the board to sign. Motion carried 3-0. Bonnie presented the 2015 Grant Application to the board of commissioners. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to approve Resolution No. 2014-04 "A Resolution Authorizing the Filing of an Application for the Grant under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act". Motion carried 3-0. Motion made by Blake Gerber, seconded by Kevin Woodward to approve the FTA Certifications and Assurances for Federal Fiscal Year 2014 and

allow the president of the board and the county attorney to sign. Motion carried 3-0. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to approve the Pass-Through Agreement and allow the president of the board and the county attorney to sign. Motion carried 3-0.

Vacation of Right of Way: Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to waive any conflict of interest the county attorney would have to represent both parties in the vacation of right of way on 100 East. Motion carried 3-0.

Cancellation of Meeting: Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to cancel the 2nd meeting in September that is scheduled for September 15, 2014. The meeting is being cancelled due to the roads being closed for the Bluffton Street Fair. Motion carried 3-0.

Liberty Center Rescue Truck: Signed the contract with Sutphen for the new Liberty Center rescue truck. Misc. 2014-17.

Adjourned: Wells County Commissioners adjourned at 10:10 am

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President, C. Scott Mossburg

Vice President, Kevin Woodward

Blake Gerber

Attest: _____
Beth Davis, Wells County Auditor