

## Wells County Commissioners

### Regular Session 2-7-2011

The Wells County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday February 7th, 2011 at 9AM in the Commissioner's Room of the Wells County Carnegie Annex, Bluffton, IN. Those in attendance were Commissioners, Kevin Woodward, Paul Bonham and C. Scott Mossburg. Also in attendance were County Attorney, Trent Patterson and County Auditor, Beth Davis.

**Minutes:** Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to approve the minutes from January 18, 2011 meeting. Motion carried 3-0.

**Payroll:** Commissioners approved Payroll #3 in the amount of \$191,240.28

**Claims:** Commissioners approved 236 claims in the amount of \$550,346.77

**Wells County Sheriff:** Monte Fisher reported 81 inmates, 2 are in different facilities 26 are DOC. Sheriff reported his department will be purchasing Cell Phone Software in the amount of \$4564.00 to be split with the City of Bluffton. Sheriff Fisher also expressed his need for a new dispatch recording system in the amount of \$11690.00 he plans on asking council for approval to pay for it out of 911 funds.

Resolution # 2011-1: To authorize the Wells County Sheriff Department to Use a Credit Card. Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve Resolution 2011-1. Motion carried 3-0.

Ordinance # 2011-2: Allowing the Payment of Certain Claims in Advance of Approval by the Wells County Board of Commissioners. Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve Ordinance 2001-2. Motion carried 3-0.

**Wells County Highway:** Ed Herman presented annual report for Local Road and Streets. Ed gave report of wheel tax and update on salt. Ed is requesting a new server and computer for his department; this has been tabled at this time.

**Wells County Engineer:** Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve signing of final contract for inspection of Bridge 74. Motion carried 3-0

Discussed the funding and removal of trees for Bridge 59 project.

Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to sign the letter to Congressman Mike Pence to show approval on the Transportation Enhancement Project. Motion carried 3-0.

**NEXUS addendum:** Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to approve the Addendum Contract for Annual Adjustment from NEXUS (Misc. 2011-1). Motion carried 3-0.

**Local Disaster Emergency Declaration:** Blake Poindexter presented Declaration to be signed by the commissioners regarding last week's snow storm (Misc. 2011-2).

**Electronic Transmission of Tax Bills:** Treasurer Shar Mechling and Tim Jorczak with SRI presented e-mailing of tax bills using a program through SRI.

Ordinance No 2011-3: An Ordinance Authorizing Electronic Transmission of Statements and Other Information for Property Taxes and Special Assessments. Motion made by Paul Bonham , seconded by Scott Mossburg to approve Ordinance #2011-3 to authorize the treasurer to work with SRI for emailing of tax bills. Motion carried 3-0.

Discussed Bluffton Properties that will be going on commissioner's certificate sale. Decided to take Bluffton Properties off the list and accept the payments they are making. Shar will post notice in the paper that Bluffton Properties has been removed from list.

**Liberty National Life Insurance:** Wendy Teipen presented Liberty National Life Insurance to the Commissioners. Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to allow Liberty National to offer insurance to employees. Motion carried 3-0.

**Cannon for Courthouse Plaza:** Cash Vanover Presented updates on the cannon that he would like to have on the courthouse plaza. Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to accept letter for cannon to be placed on the Courthouse square in a place to be determined. Motion carried 3-0.

**2011 Appointments:** Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to appoint Kevin Woodward to the Common Wage Committee. Motion carried 3-0. Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to allow Kevin Woodward sign the appointment of Fred Shiver to Huntington City-Township Public Library. Motion carried 3-0.

**Reports:** Signed Monthly reports for Community Corrections, Recorder, Bluffton City Court & Clerk of Circuit Court.

**Other Business:** Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to allow Larry Owen to process with transferring property in Poneto.

Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to have auction on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 9:00 am for 5.628 acres around Maplewood home.

**Adjourned:** Wells County Commissioners adjourned at 10:50AM

**Wells County Commissioners**

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President, Kevin Woodward

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Vice President, Paul Bonham

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C. Scott Mossburg

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Beth Davis, Wells County Auditor