

Wells County Commissioners

Regular Session 3-7-2011

The Wells County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday March 7, 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 Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve the minutes from February 22nd, 2011 meeting. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll: Commissioners approved Payroll #5 in the amount of \$196,209.37

Claims: Commissioners approved 177 claims in the amount of \$219,774.68

Maplewood Farm Auction of 5.62 Acres: Scott Mossburg and Trent Patterson explained the process of the auction for the 5.62 acres around the Maplewood Farm. Trent stated all bids should be put down on paper and signed by the bidder. Scott stated the appraisal amount was \$28,100.00 and the bid would need to be at least 90% of the appraised amount to be a sale. One bid was received in the amount of \$25,380.00.

Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to accept the bid of \$25,380.00 from Dennis Fry. Motion carried 3-0. Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to have Kevin Woodward sign the land contract. Motion carried 3-0. Cash Contract Sale (Misc. 2011-6) was signed by Dennis Fry and Kevin Woodward, Commissioner President. Down payment of \$3,000.00 was received from Dennis Fry.

Scott Mossburg will contact Matt Adams, "Tenant of Farm Land Lease" of the new number of acres for the farm lease.

Wells County Sheriff: Monte Fisher reported 86 inmates, 22 are DOC. Numbers are down on DOC inmates, Monte is preparing paperwork for Federal inmates.

Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve Business Associate Agreement Between Health Professionals, LTD., and Wells County, Indiana (Misc. 2011-5). Motion carried 3-0.

Sheriff requested new camera and evidence computers at the last meeting which was approved for \$9550.00, but the total amount was \$10,794.44. Motion made by Paul Bonham seconded by Scott Mossburg to approve the additional amount of \$1258.44 totaling \$10,794.44. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve bid from County Cabinets in the Amount of \$4,735.34. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to replace the acoustic tiles in the interviewing room in the amount of \$1745.91. Motion carried 3-0

Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to approve addition light for interviewing room in the amount of \$113.13. Motion carried 3-0.

Re-Establishment of Property Lines: Michael Lautzenheiser Jr. has discovered the township lines for 12 lots in Millers Additional goes directly through their lots, he is asking for this to be corrected. Michael stated the taxpayer should receive two tax bills (one for Lancaster and one for Harrison). Tony Reiff and Jane Bradley from the auditor's office are concerned about the taxpayer getting two different tax bills and how the plats books should be changed. Tony and Jane would need a Legal document to make changes in the plat books and they do not feel the taxpayer should have this expense. Commissioner Bonham thought the commissioners could redraw township lines. Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to have attorney Trent Patterson explore the requirements to changing township lines. Motion carried 3-0.

Wells County Highway: Ed Herman provided updated on MVH, LR&S and Wheel Tax. Highway department has been working on river roads doing repairs from washouts.

Wells County Engineer: Larry Owen stated he would be filing for a Transport Enhancement Act grant for the Five Point Bridge Project; these funds would be available in 2014.

Larry provided proposal from Primco Inc. for Bridge 131. Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve Primco proposal in the amount of \$87,473.70. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve the request from Larry Owen to attend a grant writing school provided by grant writing USA in the amount of \$425.00. Motion carried 3-0.

Capitol Recovery: Clerk, Yvette Runkle presented information on the service that Capitol Recovery provides on collecting unpaid Court Cost. Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to have Trent Patterson review the Contract provided by Capital Recovery and make recommendation to the board. Motion carried 3-0.

Road School: Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to have Surveyor's expenses paid from County General fund for attending Purdue Road School. Motion carried 3-0.

Audio Equipment: Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve the additional amount of \$100.00 to Stylus for additional equipment needed. Motion carried 3-0.

Surveyor: Jarrod Hahn requested \$285.00 for an Adobe update he needs for imaging in his office. Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve request for up to \$300.00 for Adobe update to be paid by CEDIT document imaging fund. Motion carried 3-0.

Flood Safety: Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to approve of the Proclamation for Flood Safety Awareness Week March 14-18, 2011 (Misc 2011-7). Motion carried 3-0.

Building Repairs: Custodian, Bobbie Studebaker provided 3 quotes to repair a Heat Pump. Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to accept low bid of \$1857.00 from Building Temp Solutions. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioners also request that Bobbie get quotes for the repair or replacement for the panic buttons in both the Courthouse and Annex.

CEDIT Funds: Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve Resolution number 2011-3 setting out specific uses and projects for CEDIT funds for 2011. Motion carried 3-0. Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to approve Joint Resolution number 2011-4 to transfer CEDIT funds to the fund set up for Bridge 59. Motion carried 3-0.

Town of Poneto: Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve Resolution number 2011-5 for transfer of Certain Real Estate from Wells County to the Town of Poneto. Motion carried 3-0.

Employee Handbook: Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to have Lisa McCormick notify Vendor of change in handbook for no time earned while a employee is off work. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner also approved the vendor to put the handbook in a template format for future updates.

Reports: Signed Monthly Report for county offices

Adjourned: Wells County Commissioners adjourned at 11:00 am

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President, Kevin Woodward

Vice President, Paul Bonham

C. Scott Mossburg

Attest: _____
Beth Davis, Wells County Auditor