

Wells County Commissioners

Regular Session 3-18-2013

The Wells County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday March 18, 2013 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 Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to approve the minutes from March 4, 2013 regular session. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll: Commissioners approved Payroll #6 in the amount of \$200,438.39.

Claims: Commissioners approved 249 claims in the amount of \$158,088.33.

Wells County Sheriff: Monte Fisher reported 92 inmates, 10 are DOC and one federal. Sheriff Fisher along with Custodian, Bobbie Studebaker informed the commissioners that the xray machine at the entrance of the courthouse is broken. A quote in the amount of \$5,275.00 was provided from Smith detection to repair the xray machine. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to approve the quote from Smith Detection. Motion carried 3-0. Sheriff Fisher provided the Sick Leave Bank Policy for the Wells County Jail. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to approve the Sick Leave Bank Policy for Jail Employees (Misc. 2013-10). Motion carried 3-0. Sheriff Fisher provided his Annual Report to the commissioners.

Wells County Highway Supervisor: Ed Herman provided his Annual Operational Report for Local Roads and Streets to the commissioners. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to approve the annual report. Motion carried 3-0. Ed informed the commissioners that he has received a check from General Insurance in the amount of \$90,965 to replace the chassis on the truck that burned this past December. The insurance company is working on quotes to transfer the equipment to the new chassis. Ed will get quotes for two new chassis and equipment for one chassis since he had in his budget to purchase a new truck in 2013. Ed informed the commissioners that he is meeting with DLZ this week regarding the pricing on their preliminary engineering fees for Bridge 193. Ed also informed the commissioners that the pricing on dust control may be doubled from previous years. Commissioner Woodward updated Commissioner's Mossburg and Gerber on the possibility of increased road funding from the state. Commissioner Mossburg asked auditor, Beth Davis to send a memo to state legislator's showing their support of HB 1001.

Wells County Highway Engineer: Toby Steffen, with Butler Fairman Seufert informed the commissioners that he is working on a wish list for bridge repairs to be presented at the April 1, 2013 meeting. The log jam on 600 West has been removed from the river.

Economic Development Director: Economic Development Director, Tim Ehlerding gave the commissioners an update on projects going on in Wells County. Ehlerding informed the commissioners that the first Industrial Maintenance Training Program is full and will begin in April.

Courthouse and Annex Repairs: Custodian Bobbie Studebaker provided information regarding new carpet in the Clerk's Office. The Clerk will pay 61% of the invoice from their IV-D Incentive fund and the

balance will be paid from the custodian's budget. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to approve the quote from JR Flooring in the amount of \$3230.00 for new carpet in the Clerk's Office. Motion carried 3-0. The Annex Building needs to replace a wall and do some roof repairs to fix a leak at the building. The commissioners asked Bobbie to get them quotes for the repairs. Bobbie also informed the commissioners of some cement repairs that need to be done on the courthouse square. The commissioner's would like to get the cement repairs done as soon as possible so they asked Bobbie to go ahead and get quotes.

Positive Pay and Credit/Debit Card Payments: Clerk, Yvette Runkle came before the board with two agreements. The first agreement was for Positive Pay for the clerk's checking accounts, the agreement would include a monthly fee of \$30.00. Commissioner Mossburg asked Yvette to contact IAB Financial to see if they would waive the fee do to all the business the county does with their Bank. The second agreement was to accept credit or debit cards for payment of court cost or other charges from the clerk's office. The clerk's current financial software vendor is providing the service and there will not be any additional charges to the county, the fees will be charged to the card holder. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to have county attorney, Roy Johnson review the agreements. Motion carried 3-0.

Print Services Agreement: IT Director, Roger Richardson provided the agreement for the Managed Print Services with Advanced Imaging. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to approve the Advanced Imaging Solutions Managed Print Services Agreement (Misc.2013-11) and allow the board president to sign the agreement. Motion carried 3-0.

Wind Farm Project: County resident, Larry Studebaker came before the commissioners asking if the wind company had started road work yet in the county. Commissioner Mossburg informed Mr. Studebaker that no road agreements were in place yet and the only work that had been done to his knowledge was some core drilling.

Commissioners Certificate Sale: Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to approve the Commissioners' Internet Certificate Sale Services Addendum. Motion carried 3-0. Motion made by Blake Gerber, seconded by Kevin Woodward to approve Resolution No. 2013-2 "A Resolution Establishing The Intent To Conduct A Commissioners' Sale To Sell Tax Sale Certificates For Properties That Are Severely Delinquent In Payment Of Property Taxes". Motion carried 3-0.

Bargain Hut Agreement: Commissioner Mossburg asked County Attorney, Roy Johnson to have a representative from the Bargain Hut look over the agreement before the commissioner's act on it.

Legal Services Contract: Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Blake Gerber to approve the contract for legal services between Wells County Circuit and Superior Courts and Attorney's Albert Anzini, III, Jeremy K. Nix and Larry E. Mock. Motion carried 3-0.

IDEM & INDOT Outreach: Regional Office Director, Michael Aylesworth with Indiana Department of Environmental Management and Customer Service Manager, Toni Mayo with Indiana Department of Transportation came before the commissioners as an outreach to county government to see if there was anything they can do for Wells County.

Bridge Inspection Work Session: The Commissioners had a work session on how to fill out the score sheets for Bridge Inspections.

Adjourned: Wells County Commissioners adjourned at 11:30AM

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President, C. Scott Mossburg

Vice President, Kevin Woodward

Blake Gerber

Attest: _____
Beth Davis, Wells County Auditor