

Wells County Commissioners

Regular Session 10-01-2012

The Wells County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday October 1, 2012 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 September 4, 2012 regular session. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll: Commissioners approved Payroll #19 in the amount of \$189,922.81 and Payroll #20 in the amount of \$185,034.41.

Claims: Commissioners approved 152 claims in the amount of \$354,405.71 from September 17, 2012 and 214 claims in the amount of \$419,143.83 from October 1, 2012.

Wells County Sheriff: Sheriff Fisher reported 75 inmates, 1 is DOC and 1 federal. Sheriff Fisher informed the commissioners that a DOC inspection was done last week and no faults were found.

Wells County Highway Supervisor: Ed Herman reported that the outside work on the roofing has been completed and they are scheduled to begin working on the inside next week. Ed also gave updates on road projects that they are working on. Ed provided the LPA agreement for Bridge #193 which requires the commissioner's signatures. Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve the LPA Project Coordination Contract (Misc 2012-16). Motion carried 3-0.

Wells County Highway Engineer: Toby Steffen, with Butler Fairman Seufert gave the commissioners the letter of acceptance for the final inspection of Bridge #59. Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve the report of final inspection for Bridge #59. Motion carried 3-0. Toby informed the commissioners on some change orders for Bridge #206. Motion made by Paul Bonham, seconded by Scott Mossburg to approve the change orders on Bridge #206. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve a utility permit from Frontier for a bore under the road at 10190 N 300 W. Motion carried 3-0.

Vacating Road 1150 North: Nick Neuenschwander came before the board to ask about vacating road 1150 north which is right next to his property. Mr. Neuenschwander stated that people are using the road to drive down and dump trash. County attorney, Trent Patterson referenced a book he had showing all the roads in Wells County and road 1150 North is not listed, however there is a record of part of 1150 N being vacated in 1943. Trent told Mr. Neuenschwander that there are procedures that have to be done to vacate a road and he advised Mr. Neuenschwander to get an attorney to help him start the petition process of vacating the road.

ADA Transition Plan: Dan Avery and Stacy Gorsuch with NIRCC provided the commissioners with a draft Wells County ADA Transition Plan. A Transition plan is required to comply with Federal Law to ensure that the county is in compliance with federal law, rules and regulations for the Americans with Disabilities Act. The plan mainly addressed sidewalks and ramps in the un-incorporated areas of Wells

County. Dan and Stacy will work with the County Highway Supervisor and County Engineer regarding the cost associated with the repairs or replacements to the area that do not meet the requirements of ADA and present them at a future meeting.

Low Associates Payroll/Financial System: Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to approve the Payroll/Financial contract with Low Associates pending the county attorney's approval of the contract. Motion carried 3-0.

IT Department: Commissioner Mossburg provided information to the other commissioners regarding feedback he got from a recent department head meeting about the IT Department. The commissioners agreed to start the process of advertising the position.

Komputrol Service Agreement: Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to terminate the service agreement with Komputrol Payroll/Financial System. Motion carried 3-0.

Bridge Inspection: Motion made by Scott Mossburg, seconded by Paul Bonham to have USI provide the RFP for the next cycle of Bridge Inspections. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjourned: Wells County Commissioners adjourned at 10:33 am

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President, Kevin Woodward

Vice President, Paul Bonham

C. Scott Mossburg

Attest: _____
Beth Davis, Wells County Auditor