

Wells County Commissioners

Regular Session 11-2-2015

The Wells County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday November 2, 2015 at 9AM in the Commissioner's Room of the Wells County Carnegie Annex, Bluffton, IN. Those in attendance were Commissioners, Blake Gerber, Kevin Woodward and Tamara Dunmoyer. Also in attendance were County Attorney, Roy Johnson and County Auditor, Beth Davis.

Minutes: Motion made by Tamara Dunmoyer, seconded by Kevin Woodward to approve the minutes from October 19, 2015 regular session. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll & Claims: Motion made by Tamara Dunmoyer, seconded by Kevin Woodward to approve payroll #22 in the amount of \$200,641.58 and 203 claims totaling \$694,864.01. Motion carried 3-0.

Wells County Sheriff: Sheriff Fisher reported 82 inmates, 7 are DOC. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Tamara Dunmoyer to approve the 2016 Salary contract for the Sheriff. Motion carried 3-0.

Wells County Highway Supervisor: Ed Herman updated the commissioners on the current projects they are working on. Norfolk and Southern Crossings returned the signs and posts that they had removed. Ed informed the commissioners that he has received two quotes back for the utility bed for the new mechanics truck and he recommended using the low bid from Hoosier Truck in the amount of \$10,028.00. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Tamara Dunmoyer to approve the low bid from Hoosier Truck. Motion carried 3-0.

Wells County Highway Engineer: Toby Steffen, with Butler Fairman Seufert updated the commissioners on some of the current bridge and culvert projects. Meridian road will be closed for at least a week starting next week to work on culvert #68. The log jam on bridge #54 has been removed and the reflectors are going up. The highway department will be installing some reflectors on both sides of bridge #203 warning vehicles to stay off the wood sides. The design of culvert #454 is to narrow and Toby and Ed are recommending adding a wing wall on the southeast corner and northwest corner of the culvert. The total cost is estimated at \$20,286.75. Motion made by Tamara Dunmoyer, seconded by Kevin Woodward to extend the sides per Toby and Ed recommendation. Motion carried 3-0.

County Road 1200 S Chip & Seal Project: Rick and Todd Fiechter came before the board of commissioners asking if the county would match the ½ mile of chip and seal that Todd Fiechter has agreed to pay for on county road 1200 south. Mr. Fiechter has agreed to pay for ½ mile of chip and seal on county road 1200 south from State Road 1 going east ½ mile. The commissioners stated that they had stopped chip and sealing county roads several years ago because the funds were not available. However the commissioners stated that they would get with Ed to see if any funds are available for future projects.

IT Director: Roger Richardson informed the commissioners that he has been replacing systems within the county and working with the clerk on the new vote centers for the election.

Health Insurance Renewal: Jennifer Heckman with Platinum Benefit Consulting Group presented the counties health insurance renewal. Jennifer had remarketed the plan and received quotes back from

our current carrier Anthem Blue Cross, Cigna, PHP, and she also requested a proposal from UHC but did not receive a quote back. Anthem and Cigna both came back with competitive rates. Anthem is a fully insured plan and Cigna is a Level Funded Plan. Both Anthem's and Cigna's quotes came in less than our current years plan. Anthem will also provide the required ACA reporting for the county since it is a fully insured plan and they will also be paying the fees which are approximately \$49,746.00. Cigna will not provide the ACA reporting for the county since it is a Level Funded Plan; the county will have to file and pay the fees. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Tamara Dunmoyer to stay with our current plan with Anthem Blue Cross. Motion carried 3-0. Jennifer also presented the renewal for the Flex Spending plan with BASIC. Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Tamara Dunmoyer to continue the flex spending plan with BASIC. Motion carried 3-0.

2016 Meeting Dates: Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Tamara Dunmoyer to approve the 2016 commissioner meeting dates. Motion carried 3-0.

County CEDIT Plan: Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Tamara Dunmoyer to approve the Three Year CEDIT Plan (2016, 2017, 2018) for Wells County. Motion carried 3-0.

Christmas Tree Lighting: Motion made by Kevin Woodward, seconded by Tamara Dunmoyer to approve the use of the Courthouse square for the Annual County Courthouse tree lighting ceremony Friday, November 27, 2015 from 5:30PM – 6:30PM. Motion carried 3-0

Adjourned: Wells County Commissioners adjourned at 11:11 AM

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President, Blake Gerber

Vice President, Kevin Woodward

Tamara Dunmoyer

Attest: _____
Beth Davis, Wells County Auditor