

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES – JULY 17, 2018**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00 a.m. as was duly advertised at the Perry County Courthouse. All three commissioners were in attendance: President Randy Kleaving, Bill Amos and Larry R. James. A representative of the *Perry County News* was present along with County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg and Sheriff Alan Malone.

The meeting opened with all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

PAYROLL

The payroll docket was approved in the amount of \$137,500.11 for the payroll distributed on July 9, 2018. Holiday Pay was also distributed for the Sheriff and Jail employees in the amount of \$14,516.64. Bill made a motion to approve the docket, and Larry seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

FINANCING QUOTES – EMA VEHICLE

The Commissioners received quotes for the financing of the 2018 Chevy Tahoe PPV-9C1 Pursuit 4x4 utilized by the Perry County Emergency Management Agency. The lease was to be for 3 annual payments with a fixed rate in the amount of \$27,470 for financing. The total cost of the Tahoe was \$37,470 with a \$10,000 down payment. There were three quotes submitted as follows:

- Hoosier Hills Credit Union - \$9,594.14 with a rate of 2.97 and no document fees
- German American Bank - \$9,574.42 with a rate of 2.98 and a \$50.00 document fee
- Old National Bank - \$9,667.00 with a rate of 3.64 and a \$100.00 document fee

There was discussion among the Commissioners. They said ONB was the highest, with Hoosier Hills we would pay more in interest over the 3 years, and German American was \$10 to \$15 less even with a \$50.00 fee. Bill made the motion to go with German American being the lowest bid, seconded by Larry. Motion carried 3-0.

COMMUNITY OF ROME – FALL FEST – 5K AND 15K RACE

Tony Hollinden, Representative of the Wellness 2018 Committee came before the Commissioners with ideas for athletic endeavors. He was asked by the Community of Rome to have a race to bring in people during their fall bicentennial event. Tony said he would have to get with volunteers and Sheriff Alan Malone for a 5K and 15K race with the route and safety of the runners. There could be possibly 30 to 3000 participants. Tony said what he is asking is the use of the county roads for the race. They would need portions of the roads closed down and they would notify the neighbors of the run. Communication is key for a successful run. They will also send a letter to INDOT for the race to be on a portion of State Road 66. The Commissioners gave their Okay for the race.

SALARY RECOMMENDATIONS

By State statute, the Commissioners are to make a salary recommendation to the County Council for the next year's budget. Bill made a motion to recommend 3% for the 2019 budgets for all County employees with some exceptions, seconded by Larry. Motion carried 3-0.

HIGHWAY BUDGETS

The Commissioners had before them the 2019 Proposed Highway, Cumulative Bridge, and Local, Road & Street budgets that they wanted to review from the last meeting. Randy asked if the others had looked over the budgets since the last meeting

and if they had any changes. Larry said he had talked with Steve. Larry made the motion to approve the proposed 2019 budgets, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

FIRING RANGE

Sheriff Alan Malone appeared before the Commissioners concerning a firing range for the cities, town and the Sheriff's department to use to continue their needed firearms training. It is mandated to show proficiency of firearms every year. Alan said the Tell City Police Department had land contracted that was being used and recently that land has been reassigned and no longer under the control of the Police Dept. He also said that Tell City has given them permission to use the old landfill site for a new firing range, which is city owned acreage on Old State Road 237. The area sought for the firing range surrounds the perimeter of the former landfill and would not involve the once contaminated soil.

Alan commented that he and Tell City Chief of Police Derrick Lawalin have been working on this. Alan said the cost to set up the firing range is estimated at \$20,000.00 and \$10,000.00 yearly to maintain with all entities sharing in the cost. Tell City would pay the most because they have more officers and the County would be second. Our share of the cost would be \$6,800.00 initial expense and starting the second year (2019) with \$3,400.00 annually. Derrick spoke up saying that he received these estimates from different builders. He also said this is invaluable being in our own backyard. It would be hard to do out of county if a call would come in.

Randy spoke with Auditor Pam Goffinet regarding the funding for our share. We could possibly get it from the Riverboat – County Share fund. Derrick said he has to get info from all entities to be a part of it and then go back to the Tell City Public Works, and hopefully start this fall on it. The cost could be more if Cannelton and Town of Troy can't do it. Eric Dickenson spoke up saying we need this. The law enforcements need to work together. Pam said we will budget the maintenance in the 2019 budget request. Bill made the motion to approve the additional of \$9,000.00 from the Riverboat fund for the firing range, seconded by Larry. Motion carried 3-0. Randy said to ask Steve Howell for help from the highway department to save costs.

OAKLAND CITY – MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING- CO EMPLOYEES

Administrator Teresa Kanneberg informed the Commissioners of a partner discount between Oakland City University and Perry County to offer a \$1000 tuition discount to employees who enter into an approved, online Bachelor Level Program or higher after the effective date of this MOU and after the date the student identifies as an employee of Partner. This is an opportunity for employees to continue their education. There is no obligation to the County. Other counties around us are on board with this. Chris has reviewed the MOU and found it to be in order. Larry said it sounds like a good program with no cost to the County. Bill made the motion to sign the MOU, seconded by Larry. Motion carried 3-0.

BOARD APPOINTMENT – ANIMAL WELFARE, CONTROL & EDUCATION BOARD

Administrator Teresa Kanneberg informed the Commissioners that she received a letter from Farm Bureau of a vacancy on the Animal Welfare Education Board. This position is open since Scott Whitehead passed away. They informed the Commissioners that Adam Fischer would like to finish the term ending December 31, 2021. Larry made the motion to appoint Adam, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

MISCELLANEOUS

Herbert Landers with the Animal Control board appeared before the Commissioners to introduce a program for all three of the local schools. This program is called PEP (Pet Education Project). It educates and inspires kids to be responsible pet owners and animal heroes. It offers the fundamentals on taking care of animals. Herbert said they have ordered materials for schools and book mobile. They are set to go to the schools on August 22, 23, and 24, 2018. It will be for grades K to 5th grade. The Commissioners are good with this program.

It has been brought to the attention of the Auditor Pam Goffinet that German American Bank has used CHUBB insurance when organizing a quote to the County for

the liability insurance. Sarah Chinn said she didn't realize that Bliss McKnight used them for property coverage. CHUBB was granted to Brandt Atkins, HGB, when the Commissioners designated what companies were to be used by each insurance company in getting their quotes. Brandt said at this time he can't talk to them because Sarah is the agent. HGB was waiting to give CHUBB all the information at one time to get their quote. Sarah said she is happy to step back and use Cincinnati insurance. The job is to get the best pricing. Sarah will call CHUBB and back out.

Teresa announced that the next regular Board of Commissioners meeting will be on Monday, August 6, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioner's room.

The meeting ended in open session at 8:45 a.m.

Minutes approved this 4th day of September, 2018.

Randy Kleaving
President

Larry R. James

Bill Amos

*Minutes prepared by:
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