Martin

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THE MARTIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

January 6, 2015

MINUTES

The Martin County Commissioners convened in regular session Tuesday, January 6, 2015 in the Commissioners’ Room at the Courthouse located at 129 Main Street, Shoals, Indiana. Commissioners attending were President Paul R. George, Kevin R. Boyd and Dan J. Gregory. Others in attendance were Deputy Auditor Bev Terrell, County Attorney J. David Lett, Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett, Highway Clerk Terri Alcorn, Cameron Wolf and Andy Ringwald, Civil Defense/EMA; Kathy Collins, Community Corrections Director; Judge Lynne Ellis; Jill Albright, Loogootee Tribune, Tim Kinder; Executive Director Martin County Alliance, Sheriff Travis Roush, Chief Deputy Josh Green, Courtney Hughett and Josh Hughett; Martin County Humane Society , Eva Neeley, Bruce Fithian, and Mike Einterz; Einterz Properties, LLC .

President George called the meeting to order with the Pledge to the Flag at 6:00 pm.

The minutes from the regular meeting of December 23, 2014, were approved as submitted with the motion by Commissioner Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Gregory. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The Claims and Allowances were approved as submitted with the motion by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by Commissioner Boyd. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to retain Paul George as Martin County Commissioner President and Dan Gregory as Martin County Commissioner Vice-President. Commissioner Boyd made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Bruce Fithian would like to maintain his position on the Lost River Township Advisory Board from which he resigned due to his candidacy in the recent election. The position was not filled during the thirty day period following the election. County Attorney Dave Lett would like to research proper procedures on filling this position.

Courtney Hughett and Josh Hughett, Martin County Humane Society, submitted the quarterly report and an annual summary for the Humane Society. Courtney is now documenting the various sources of the animals coming into the shelter. A large number of animals have been adopted this past year. Public awareness of Martin County’s shelter is finally increasing. Fees have been kept low, thanks in part to the partnership of Pets Alive. Expenses have increased due to having the shelter and paying utilities along with normal needs of the animals.

President George gave the December Veterans Service Officer report. Awareness of the Veterans Service Officers’ presence within the courthouse and advertising the phone number (812-247-2210) has increased veteran assistance.

Leo Padgett, Highway Superintendent, submitted his two week work schedule. Superintendent Padgett updated the Commissioners on several different projects. Water seepage in the rock building is causing damage to the stone supply. Commissioners suggested professional installation of new gutters and downspouts.

Sheriff Travis Roush invited the Commissioners to tour the Security Center. Sheriff Roush discussed the establishment of a donation fund for the K-9 Unit. The fund will be administered by the Auditor’s Office and donations are now being accepted.

Mike Einterz; Einterz Properties, LLC came before the Commissioners asking guidance concerning an unmaintained roadway bordering property he is considering purchasing. Highway Superintendant Leo Padgett and Attorney Dave Lett asked Mr. Einterr to provide a survey showing the land in question and surrounding properties in order to research the easements, access and the current status of the road in order to resolve the issue.

The Commissioners made the following appointments for 2015:

Southern Indiana Development Commission-Kevin Boyd. The motion was made by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by President George. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Alcoholic Beverage Board-William Shaw. The motion was made by Commissioner Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Gregory. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Martin County Redevelopment Commission-Paul George, Dan Gregory and Kevin Boyd. The motion was made by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by President George. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Commissioner Boyd withdrew his motion to appoint Gerald Wilcoxen to the Samaritan Board until he is contacted. The appointment to the Samaritan Board was tabled.

County Attorney-J. David Lett. The motion was made by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by President George. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Veteran Service Officer-Linda Evans-Dillon. The motion was made by Commissioner Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Gregory. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Courthouse Custodian-John Jones. The motion was made by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by President George. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Highway Superintendent-Leo Padgett. The motion was made by Commissioner Boyd and seconded by President George. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Westgate Authority-Don Bowling. The motion was made by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by Commissioner Boyd. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Local Economic Development-Dan Gregory. The motion was made by Commissioner Boyd and seconded by President George. All were in favor and the motion passed.

District Oversight Planning Committee-Paul George. The motion was made by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by Commissioner Boyd. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Civil Defense Director-Cameron “Monty” Wolf. The motion was made by Commissioner Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Gregory. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Civil Defense Assistant Directors-Mike Ringwald and Andy Ringwald. The motion was made by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by President George. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Four Rivers RC&D Council-Kevin Boyd. The motion was made by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by President George. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Disaster Planning Council-Casey Dearwester. The motion was made by Commissioner Boyd and seconded by President George. All were in favor and the motion passed.

South Central Region 8 Workforce Board-Paul George. The motion was made by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by Commissioner Boyd. All were in favor and the motion passed.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned 6:50 pm with a motion by Commissioner Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Gregory. All were in favor and the motion passed. The next Commissioners meeting will be Tuesday, January 20, 2015 at 6:00pm.

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Kevin R. Boyd

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January L. Roush, Martin County Auditor