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THE MARTIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

September 30, 2014

MINUTES

The Martin County Commissioners convened in regular session Tuesday, September 30, 2014 in the Commissioners’ Room at the Courthouse located at 129 Main Street, Shoals, Indiana. Commissioners attending were President Paul R. George, Dan J. Gregory and Kevin R. Boyd. Others in attendance were Auditor January Roush, J. David Lett, County Attorney; Kathy Collins, Community Corrections Director; Nathan Hoffman, Surveyor; Eva Neeley, Josh Hughett, Martin County Journal and Jill Albright, Loogootee Tribune.

President George called the meeting to order with the Pledge to the Flag at 6:05 pm.

The minutes from the regular meeting of September 16, 2014 were approved as submitted with the motion by Commissioner Boyd and seconded by President George. All were in favor and the motion passed. Commissioner Gregory abstained due to his absence at the September 16, 2014 meeting.

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.

Leslie Bauer came before the Commissioners to discuss the need for a teen center in Shoals. She submitted statistics regarding areas that currently have teen centers. The Teen Center will be named The SHOP. The opening night will be Wednesday, November 26, 2014 after the Shoals Varsity Basketball game. They will continue to be open after every Friday night basketball game. Commissioner Gregory discussed several options available and will meet with Bauer soon to discuss more details.

Commissioner Boyd made a motion to appoint August Bauer to the PTABOA retro-active August 16, 2014. Commissioner Gregory made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Terri Alcorn, Highway Clerk, was unable to attend the meeting but submitted the two-week work schedule and other information to Auditor Roush prior to the meeting. Clerk Alcorn suggested the winter hours for the Highway Department start October 20, 2014 from 6:30am to 3:00pm. Commissioner Boyd made a motion to approve the winter hours to begin October 20, 2014 but change the start time to 7:00am to 3:30pm due the daylight savings time. Commissioner Boyd made a motion to declare an emergency need for three new dump trucks due to vendor time restraints. The dump trucks, totaling $171,000, will be financed through Old National Bank for 3-5 years depending on what the budget can sustain. Clerk Alcorn recommended hiring Brian Tow for the Operator with CDL position. Commissioner Boyd made a motion to hire Brian Tow for the full-time operator with CDL effective October 1. 2014. Commissioner Gregory made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed. A discussion on road treatment options for this coming winter followed. The project on 800 North is nearing completion.

Nathan Hoffman, Surveyor, submitted a resolution regarding the federal control under the Clean Water Act. The resolution states that Martin County is opposed to additional regulations that have been proposed by the EPA to redefine the current definition, as well as implement additional enforcement, with respect to the Clean Water Act and the Waters of the United States. Surveyor Hoffman recommended the Commissioners oppose these additional regulations and pass the resolution. Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-45, Opposing Expansion of Federal Control under the Clean Water Act. Commissioner Boyd made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed. Auditor Roush will mail the signed resolution to the Indiana State Senators and the EPA.

Auditor Roush submitted a quote for Area 1 Protection for a fire alarm system at the Historical Society. The Historical Society houses old records from the Courthouse. Commissioner Boyd made a motion to approve the purchase of a fire alarm system at the Historical Society for $780. Commissioner Gregory made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Commissioner Gregory wanted the public to be aware of harvest time for farmers. Farm equipment will begin sharing the roadway and to be cautious.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 pm with a motion by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by Commissioner Boyd. All were in favor and the motion passed.

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Kevin R. Boyd

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January L. Roush, Martin County Auditor