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THE MARTIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

SPECIAL MEETING

February 2, 2016

MINUTES

The Martin County Commissioners convened in special session Tuesday, February 2, 2016 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, Recorder Rhonda Sanders, Sheriff Travis Roush, Reserve Deputy Jon Wright, Kathy Collins, Community Corrections Director; Superintendent Candace Roush, Shoals Community Schools; Tim Kinder, Martin County Alliance; Leo Padgett, Highway Superintendent; Terri Alcorn, Highway Clerk; Monty Wolf, EMA/Civil Defense; Brent Roberts, BF&S; Mike & Pat Jones, Josh Hughett, Martin County Journal and Jill Allbright, Loogootee Tribune.

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

The minutes from the regular meeting of January 19, 2016 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.

Recorder Rhonda Sanders, came before the Commissioners for approval of a contract with Doxpop. Doxpop is a public online vendor that would allow the documents in the Recorders Office to be accessed offsite. Doxpop would be of no cost to the county. Prior to the meeting County Attorney J. David Lett reviewed the contract and had no legal objections. Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve the Doxpop contract. Commissioner Boyd made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Director Kathy Collins, Community Corrections and Superintendent Candace Roush, Shoals Community Schools presented a contract concerning the PBIS program. PBIS is a grant the school applied for and will be receiving $30,000 in funding for this program. Community Corrections will be supplying a CASS instructor one day a week through a grant. The contract outlined the relationship between Community Corrections and the Shoals Community School. Commissioner Boyd made a motion to approve the contract between Martin County Community Corrections and the Shoals Community School Corporation. Commissioner Gregory made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Director Collins updated the Commissioners on a round table discussion she recently attended with Sheriff Roush and Chief Probation Officer Lisa Brittain with the Samaritan Center. The round table discussion concerned the mental and addiction counseling needed for offenders who are released. The Samaritan Center received grant funds for these counseling needs and a Memorandum of Understanding will soon be brought to the Commissioners to begin the process.

Auditor January Roush submitted the Workforce Development Grant agreement for signatures.

Sheriff Travis Roush submitted the annual jail inspection report. The Sheriff’s Department has acquired a 1993 Dodge Van with 50,106 miles on it from the Fortville Police Department in Hancock County. The van is in working condition and will not cost the county any money except for regular maintenance and insurance. Sheriff Roush has many uses for the van including transporting inmates to court. There are currently 55 inmates in the Security Center and no DOC.

Monty Wolf, EMA/Civil Defense, joined Sheriff Roush to discuss a county-wide notification system. The system can be used to notify citizens of emergency situations, bad weather, etc through a phone call. They are estimating the system to cost around $5,000. They are meeting with all county fire departments and police to discuss the issue further.

Sheriff Roush commended Reserve Deputy Jon Wright on his help today in transporting an inmate to Lawrence County.

Director Wolf will be attending a pipeline safety meeting tomorrow in Washington. The avian flu outbreak in Dubois County is stable.

Leo Padgett, Highway Superintendent, submitted his 4-week work schedule. Commissioner Gregory made a motion to put Houghton Lane on the county road inventory. Commissioner Boyd made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed. Commissioner Boyd made a motion to put Falls Lane on the county road inventory. Commissioner Gregory made the second. All were in favor and the motion passed. Superintendent Padgett explained to the Commissioners that he has attended two Council meetings requesting pay increases for employees who run equipment other than a truck. The Council denied him the request at last night’s meeting. The Commissioners agreed to try again at the next meeting and that they would attend with him. Superintendent Padgett updated the Commissioners on various projects. The employee’s have attended two safety meetings. He also thanked East Fork Water for their recent assistance in fixing a water line at the shop. He will have repair estimates from CLR for Brooks Bridge tomorrow. A discussion on trees along county roads transpired and if we should or should not cut them down if they are in the way. President George suggested taking care of trees that could be a safety hazard.

Tim Kinder, Martin County Alliance, reported that that the NSA Joint Land Use Study will have another public forum on Monday, February 22, 2016 from 6pm-8pm at the Westgate Academy. He encouraged all to attend.

Auditor Roush explained that Councilwoman Barbara McFeaters reached out to the Crane Forrester concerning the Crane Timber distribution received earlier in the month. The amount received was only $10,989.48. The County will receive an additional $253,932.98 in Crane Timber funds due to a distribution calculation error at the State Auditor’s Office.

Auditor Roush announced that we received our 2016 Budget Order on January 6, 2016 and was the 10th out of 92 counties to receive one. All DLGF budgets were approved as submitted.

Auditor Roush reported on the December Settlement. The Settlement was pre-approved to distribute to units on December 29, 2015 and received final approval on January 8, 2016. The General Fund received over $2.4 million in property and excise tax accounting for 35% of the distribution in 2015.

Auditor Roush submitted several yearend reports. She outlined the actual revenue versus the estimated revenue, approved budgets versus actual spent and a yearend cash balance report.

President George gave the Veteran Service Officer report for January and also read a SOAR! report.

Auditor Roush submitted the tourism report on behalf of Jim Stoughton.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm with a motion by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by Commissioner Boyd. All were in favor and the motion passed. The next Commissioners meeting will be Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 6:00pm.

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Kevin R. Boyd

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January L. Roush, Martin County Auditor