Martin

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THE MARTIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

February 17, 2015

MINUTES

The Martin County Commissioners convened in regular session Tuesday, February 17, 2015 in the Commissioners’ Room at the Courthouse located at 129 Main Street, Shoals, Indiana. Commissioners attending were President Paul R. George and Dan J. Gregory. Kevin R. Boyd was unable to attend. Others in attendance were Auditor January Roush, County Attorney J. David Lett, Andy Ringwald and Monty Wolf, Civil Defense/EMA; Judge Lynne Ellis; Kathy Collins, Community Corrections Director; Sheriff Travis Roush, Jonathan Stevens, Extension Educator; Recorder Rhonda Sanders, Eva Neeley and Jill Albright, 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 February 3, 2015 were approved as submitted with the motion by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by President George.

The Claims and Allowances were approved as submitted with the motion by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by President George.

County Attorney J. David Lett recommended the Board appoint Bruce Fithian to the Lost River Advisory Board. All the proper steps were followed and no other names were submitted. Commissioner Gregory made a motion to appoint Bruce Fithian to the Lost River Advisory Board for a 4-year term retro-active January 1, 2015 thru December 31, 2018. President George made the second.

Judge Lynne Ellis informed the Board of the Court’s need for a CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) /GAL (Guardian Ad Litem) representative. Both represent the best interest of the child(ren) who are involved in a legal action. She is required to appoint a CASA/GAL to every juvenile case. Daviess County will no longer be able to handle our cases due to the increase of cases. Judge Ellis is considering a contract for the CASA/GAL attorney versus a director that will need office space and be an employee of the county. She will be submitting a proposal to the Council in March.

Sheriff Travis Roush submitted a Healthcare Service Agreement with Quality Correctional Care. QCC has provided medical care of the inmates for the past 4 years. Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve the Healthcare Service Agreement with Quality Correctional Care for four years at $50,000 per year. President George made the second. There are currently 56 inmates in the Security Center. Sheriff Roush thanked the Commissioners for their assistance in receiving the two new trucks.

Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett was unable to attend the Commissioners meetings due to his assistance in snow removal.

Monty Wolf, EMA/Civil Defense, updated the Commissioners on recent happenings.

Andy Ringwald, EMA/Civil Defense, stated the County is back to the lowest level of travel status, a travel advisory.

Clerk Gerald Montgomery submitted an Amendment to the Professional Consulting Services Agreement with Maximus Consulting Services, Inc for approval. Commissioner Gregory made a motion to table the approval until Clerk Montgomery can be present at the meeting. President George made the second.

Department of Local Government and Finance was in the Assessor and Auditor’s Offices today doing Phase III testing. Phase III testing is the evaluation of the property tax software. All counties must be in compliance by July 1, 2015 per 50IAC 26.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve Julie Fithian as the temporary Courthouse Custodian starting March 5, 2015 for 2-3 hours per day until no longer needed. President George made the second.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned 6:27 pm with a motion by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by President George. All were in favor and the motion passed. The next Commissioners meeting will be Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 6:00pm.

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Kevin R. Boyd

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January L. Roush, Martin County Auditor