

Jennings County Commissioner Meeting
Government Annex Building, Commissioners Meeting Room
October 24, 2019 6:30PM

All members were present.

The meeting was opened with Matt Sporleder leading the pledge.

Marie Shepherd, Area Plan Director, was first on the agenda. She spoke on the travel policy and asked the Commissioners what type of notice was expected. Matt Sporleder suggested she send notice to the Auditor. It is not necessary to bring it to a meeting to be approved. County Attorney Ellie Bright stated she would work on a form for employees to complete and turn in prior to their travels.

County Attorney Ellie Bright will work on a Tourism Ordinance for the County, as well as a capital asset ordinance.

Auditor Salsman presented the Commissioners with a claim from Eagle Point technology for a replacement battery cartridge. Matt Sporleder approved the claim.

Jim Reeves came before the Commissioners with two supplementals on Brownstown Road, \$13,221 and \$45,500. Bob Willhite made a motion to sign. Dave Lane seconded. Unanimous.

County Attorney Ellie Bright spoke on the tort claim turned in by Chase Roll. More time is needed for the Commissioners to make a decision. Chase's vehicle had sustained damage from a hole on CR 600 W. Bob Willhite made a motion to table the decision. Dave Lane seconded. Unanimous.

Jim Reeves presented the Commissioners with a letter of understanding from INDOT. Traffic restrictions will now cause a closure on SR 7 from 10/15/2019 through 11-18-2019. The unofficial detour will be Cedar Keys/Easy Street/ to Stone Henge to CR 175 E to CR 100 S. Some discussion about a possible speed reduction was held. Bob Willhite made a motion to do a temporary reduction of the speed limit to 15 MPH due to public safety. Dave Lane seconded. Unanimous. Bob Willhite made a motion to sign the letter of understanding with INDOT. Dave Lane seconded. Unanimous.

Jim Reeves' last order of business was a 2019 Mack Granite 64B from Vomag Truck Sales & Service, Inc. This dump truck would be used for long hauls and stock piles. The total price for the unit is \$143,200.00. Bob Willhite made a motion to approve the purchase. Dave Lane seconded. Unanimous.

Treasurer Kitty Shepherd came before the Commissioners with a request of a date to hold the Commissioner's Sale with SRI. The Commissioners agreed to January 22, 2020 from 8AM-2PM in the Commissioners Meeting Room.

~~Jerry Shepherd, EMA Director, spoke on his non-reverting fund. There was some discussion about EMA's salary reimbursement needing to go back into LIT fund where the salary is paid from. Jerry also spoke about the need for a part time person to fill in as needed.~~

Bob Willhite made a motion to sign payroll and claims. Dave Lane seconded. Unanimous.

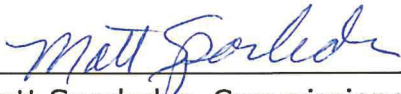
Bob Willhite made a motion to sign prior minutes. Dave Lane seconded. Unanimous.

Marie Shepherd, Area Plan Director, had a discussion about the demolition of the old Butlerville School. The plan is to have a conversation with Commissioners and Council members on what steps to follow.

Bob Willhite made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dave Lane seconded. Unanimous.



Tessia Salsman, Auditor



Matt Sporleder, Commissioner President



Robert Willhite, Commissioner Vice-President



Dave Lane, Commissioner