

**FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**FEBRUARY 19, 2008**  
**6:30 P.M.**

The Fountain County Commissioners met on February 19, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse with the following members present: Janet Shoaf, Terry Ellingwood, and Lowell Osborn

The minutes of the February 4, 2008 meeting were approved as read.

**CLAIMS**

Terry Ellingwood asked that the claim to Brad Buening be removed from the list of claims of voted on separately. Lowell Osborn made a motion to pay the claim to Brad Buening in the amount of \$10,000.00. Janet Shoaf seconded the motion.

Vote: 2-1

A motion was made by Lowell Osborn and seconded by Janet Shoaf to approve the rest of the claims.

Vote: 3-0

**MONTHLY REPORTS**

The Health Department Report and the Treasurer's Report for January were reviewed by the Commissioners.

**AUDITOR**

The Auditor requested an additional in the amount of \$12,000.00 in computer maintenance. Lowell Osborn made a motion to go to the Council with the request of \$12,000.00 in computer maintenance in the Auditor's 2008 budget. Janet Shoaf seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0

**THOMAS CONSTRUCTION**

The Auditor presented an estimate to the Commissioners from Thomas Construction to repair the ceiling in the Auditor's office in the amount of \$300 to \$400. The decision was tabled until the Commissioners could look at the ceiling again.

**HEALTH SCREENINGS**

Janet Shoaf made a motion and was seconded by Terry Ellingwood to proceed with the health screening for employees with health insurance at the rate of \$50.00 per participant.

Vote: 3-0

**CUSTODIAN**

The Custodian requested permission to purchase a floor scrubber. The Commissioners reviewed the quotes as submitted. Lowell Osborn made a motion to purchase a floor scrubber from HP Products in the amount of \$3,400.00. Janet Shoaf seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0

**BID/FILE CABINET**

Janet Shoaf made a motion to accept a bid by an employee to purchase an old three drawer file cabinet from the extension office in the amount of \$2.00. Lowell Osborn seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0

**LONDON WITTE GROUP**

The Auditor reported that she was contacted by Roger Harvey of Bose Public Affairs Group. He asked that when we refer to London Witte to make sure it is stated as London

Witte Group as there is a company that he represents that is named London Witte & Company.

#### **LARRY BROCKWAY**

Larry Brockway addressed the Commissioners with regards to the proposed Zoning Ordinance. He stated that zoning will not solve all of our problems as it will leave it up to 5 people as to what can be done in Fountain County. He asked that the Commissioners think twice before approving the zoning ordinance.

#### **GARY VOLLMER**

Gary Vollmer addressed the Commissioners in regards to the Ambulance service. He spoke of an incident where the ambulance could not find the location. Virginia Scherer stated that the E-911 map was incorrect and it will be corrected. She will need to contact WTH.

Mr. Vollmer also addressed the Commissioner about the proposed Zoning Ordinance. He does not approve of zoning. He would like for it to be put on the ballot and voted on by the voters in Fountain County.

#### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Joe Whitaker passed out a letter of intent to be signed by the Commissioner to retain ownership of all equipment and supplies purchased by CSEPP. Janet Shoaf made a motion and was seconded by Lowell Osborn to sign the letter of intent.

Vote: 3-0

Joe also reported that 79% of the VX has been destroyed.

#### **AMBULANCE**

Virginia Scherer stated that a new resolution "Authorizing Application for Submission and Local Match Commitment" for 2008 be signed by the Commissioner for the grant application. Virginia Scherer and Walt Wilson requested an additional of \$400.00 for the blueprints for the new building. Janet Shoaf made a motion to go to the Council with the additional request in the amount of \$400.00. Lowell Osborn seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0

#### **COUNTY HIGHWAY**

Walt Wilson reported that the meeting last week on Bridge #5 went well. It was decided that it would be probably be cheaper to build a new bridge that it would be to rehab it. The cost of a new bridge was at 84% of the cost to rehab and they have since refigured the cost and it is now at 109%.

#### **BRENDA BRACKEN**

Brenda Bracken, who is a property owner in Silverwood, stated that she had read that Jim Morgan had come to the Commissioners to get a street/alley way vacated in the town of Silverwood. She presented the Commissioners with a petition from property owners in Silverwood who did not want the street/alley way vacated.

#### **PROPOSED LANDFILL**

Gene Stockdale stated that the application for the proposed landfill has been received by IDEM. A public hearing has been scheduled for March 24, 2008 but a time and location has not been determined.

**EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK**

Carol Owens had obtained a copy of the employee handbook. She raised several issues with the Commissioners that the handbook was missing. Janet Shoaf made a motion and was seconded by Lowell Osborn to obtain quotes to get the employee handbook updated.

Vote: 3-0

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2008 AT 9:00 A.M.**

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

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Lowell Osborn

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Janet Shoaf

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Terry Ellingwood