

FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JUNE 2, 2008

9:00 A.M.

The Fountain County Commissioners met on June 2, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. at the Courthouse with the following members present: Janet Shoaf, Lowell Osborn and Terry Ellingwood.

The minutes of the May 19th & the May 23rd, 2008 meeting were approved with the correction of the vote to 2-1 on the May 23rd meeting in regards to the depository.

CLAIMS

A motion was made by Lowell Osborn and seconded by Janet Shoaf to approve the claims 1 – 230 and the monthly claims. Vote: 3-0

MONTHLY REPORTS

The Commissioners reviewed the monthly report from the Health Department for April 2008.

FRANZMAN INSURANCE

Pete Franzman handed out a report for the first four months for our Health Insurance. We are at 81% on the aggregate claims through April 2008. Pete would like to discuss expanding our wellness program for 2009 along with a health fair.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE

Richard Holmes, County Attorney, explained the procedures of the sale. He then opened the meeting up to accept bids for the sale of Parcel #23-09-06-308-001.000-013, located at 312 Washington Street in Newtown, Indiana. Bill Peevler made a bid in the amount of \$500.00. No other bids were made. The Commissioners then closed the bids. The Commissioners gave the Auditor the authority to execute a deed to Mr. Peevler on their behalf.

Bill Peevler's bid was not to include the payment of property taxes prior to the 2008 tax year. Janet Shoaf made a motion to forgive the taxes up to the 2007 pay 2008 tax year. Lowell Osborn seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0

SHERIFF BASS

Sheriff Bass updated the Commissioners on the accident on Friday evening that injured a deputy and a reserve deputy. The deputy drove into hole on CR 450S that had been washed out and totaled the car. Sheriff Bass stated that once the insurance company gets the claim written up he will be back requesting an additional for the difference to replace the vehicle.

COUNTY CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Jasper Fogleman gave a report to the Commissioners regarding their work on the cemeteries around the county.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Joe Whitaker handed out to each Commissioner the inventory list for Fountain County that was sent to the State for approval.

AMBULANCE

Virginia Scherer presented the Commissioners with a check in the amount of \$54,125.61 for the May 2008 collections.

Virginia also had an updated Resolution for the submission and local match commitment for the grant for the proposed EMA building. Janet Shoaf made a motion to sign Resolution 2008-16. Lowell Osborn seconded the motion. Vote: 2-1

COUNTY HIGHWAY

Walt Wilson reported that he negotiated with Bernard Lochmueller and they lowered the extra charge for the Section 106 process down to \$62,000.00. Lowell Osborn made a motion and was seconded by Janet Shoaf to approve the additional obligation on the contract with Bernard Lochmueller in the amount of \$62,000.00. Vote: 3-0

Walt also reported that the County received a lot of storm damage over the weekend. He has had crews out repairing the roads and culverts.

Walt would like to replace Bridge #104 with a steadfast bridge (truss bridge). An 18’ bridge would be \$228,136.24 and a 24’ would be \$317,093.81. It would also cost approximately \$16,000 to \$20,000 for a concrete floor. Walt made a recommendation to replace Bridge 104 with a 24’ steadfast bridge. A motion was made by Lowell Osborn and seconded by Janet Shoaf to replace Bridge 104 with an 18’ steadfast bridge. Vote: 3-0

Janet Shoaf made a motion to go to the Council for the additional request of \$500,000.00 of the Major Moves money to go into a new line item; Miscellaneous Bridge Work. Lowell Osborn seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0

Jasper Fogleman of the County Cemetery Commission had asked Walt to clear a lane back to an old cemetery, which resulted in complaints from the property owner. It was decided that he would not perform this task without prior Commissioner approval.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2008 AT 6:30 P.M.

Attest: _____
