

FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY 4, 2010
8:30 A.M.

The Fountain County Commissioners met on January 4, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. with the following members present: Janet Shoaf, Walt Wilson and Terry Ellingwood.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MINUTES

A motion was made by Walt Wilson and seconded by Terry Ellingwood to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2009 meeting. Vote: 3-0

CLAIMS

A motion was made by Walt Wilson and seconded by Terry Ellingwood to approve the Claims 1- 102 and the monthly claims. Vote: 3-0

MONTHLY REPORTS

The report from the Health Department for November and December 2010 was reviewed by the Commissioners.

APPOINTMENTS

A motion was made by Janet Shoaf and seconded by Terry Ellingwood to appoint Walt Wilson as President of the Board of Commissioners for 2010. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Walt Wilson and seconded by Terry Ellingwood to appoint Janet Shoaf as Vice-President of the Board of Commissioners for 2010. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Walt Wilson and seconded by Janet Shoaf to appoint Terry Ellingwood as Secretary of the Board of Commissioners for 2010. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Walt Wilson and seconded by Janet Shoaf to appoint Terry Ellingwood as President of the Drainage Board for 2010. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Walt Wilson and seconded by Janet Shoaf to appoint Virginia Scherer as the Director of the Ambulance service for 2010. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Walt Wilson and seconded by Terry Ellingwood to appoint Rusty Peevler as the Superintendent of the County Highway Department for 2010. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Walt Wilson and seconded by Terry Ellingwood to appoint Wendell Haga as Custodian for 2010. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Walt Wilson and seconded by Terry Ellingwood to appoint Tom O'Connor as the County Attorney for 2010. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Walt Wilson and seconded by Terry Ellingwood to appoint Charles Tolley as the Veteran Service Officer for 2010. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Walt Wilson and seconded by Janet Shoaf to appoint Terry Ellingwood to the LEPC Board for 2010. Vote: 3-0

No motion was made to appoint a Commissioner to the Board of Finance as they all (Commissioners) make up the Board of Finance.

Walt Wilson made a motion and was seconded by Terry Ellingwood to appoint Janet Shoaf to the Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission for 2010. Vote: 3-0

Janet Shoaf made a motion and was seconded by Terry Ellingwood to appoint Walt Wilson to the Community Action Program Board for 2010. Vote: 3-0

COUNTY HIGHWAY

Rusty Peevler reported that the contractor would be starting on the Covered Bridge today in Rob Roy. The County Highway will be delivering stone to the site. The Hanging Rock gravel pit will be open this week for sand. The Highway Department is working on current list of inventory.

Tom O'Connor prepared an agreement between the County and Mrs. Malden Jones in regards to the cleaning of a ditch. In exchange for the Jones's cleaning the ditch the county will maintain the ditch. Tom O'Connor will furnish the original document to Rusty for signatures.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Greg Robison did not have anything to report. Commissioner Ellingwood requested an 800 number for the Health Department. Greg will follow up on this matter.

AMBULANCE

Virginia Scherer reported that the truck that they are replacing is broke down. It was determined that the Highway department will take the truck to Brownsburg on the lo-boy to save additional costs. The Commissioners would like for the old chassis to be returned to the County in hopes that it could be used at the recycle center.

Terry Ellingwood asked Virginia is they needed a 75 foot wide building as it seemed excessive. Discussion was heard.

COUNTY EXTENSION

Amanda Smith reported the dues for the Midwest Indiana Economic Development Group will increase this year (2010). They will be based on population.

Kelsie Miller and Denise Current requested that the week of January 18, 2010 be set aside as 4-H week. A motion was made by Terry Ellingwood and seconded by Janet Shoaf to designate the week of January 18, 2010 as 4-H week. Vote: 3-0

COUNTY CEMETERY

Jasper Fogleman gave the Commissioners a copy of the annual report for the Fountain County Cemetery Commission. He stated that they would need to appoint someone as Ed Moyer's term would be ending at the end of the month.

A motion was made by Janet Shoaf and seconded by Terry Ellingwood to appoint Ed Moyer to another five year term on the Fountain County Cemetery Commission. Vote: 3-0

ENERGY SAVINGS GROUP

Oliver Nelson addressed the Commissioners again about doing an audit of the building to see where we could save on resources. He requested a copy of the utility bills for the last 12 months. There will be no financial obligation to the County at this time.

A motion was made Terry Ellingwood and seconded by Janet Shoaf to move forward with the Energy Savings assessment. Vote: 3-0

**PUBLIC HEARING
GRANT - EMS BUILDING**

Walt Wilson turned the meeting over to Anita Carpenter for the public hearing on the grant for the EMS building. Anita Carpenter passed around a sign up sheet. She stated her relationship with Fountain County and the nature of the hearing for the EMS building grant. Ms. Carpenter asked for questions or comments from the audience. Jasper Fogleman asked if they had located the water/sewer lines. Virginia Scherer stated that they could not be located. Jasper stated that they are in a viaduct about 100 feet south of the intersection of US 136 and 41. The lines are underground by the Masterguard location. Tom Freas stated to check with Jerry Goings as he had info on the lines also. Greg Robison asked that the Commissioners be careful on making the building to small. He stated that it would be much cheaper to do it now that to add on later.

Commissioner Shoaf stated that she fully supported the project. She also thanked everyone for their time and effort they have put forth on this project.

Dale White of the Community Foundation has agreed to be a pass-thru agent for the private donations that are coming in for the project.

Janet Shoaf made a motion and was seconded by Walt Wilson to have the Community Foundation be a pass-thru agent for the private donations for the EMS building.

Vote: 2-1

The public hearing was then concluded.

DISASTER RECOVERY GRANT

Janet Shoaf made a motion to execute an agreement between the Commissioners and Anita Carpenter for her fees in retaining the funds from the Disaster Recovery Grant. Terry Ellingwood seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE JANUARY 18, 2010 AT 6:30 P.M.

Attest: _____

