

FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 5, 2010

8:30 A.M.

The Fountain County Commissioners met on April 5, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. with the following members present: Walt Wilson, Janet Shoaf and Terry Ellingwood.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Carol Owens wanted to know what was in the envelopes that were distributed to the Commissioners by Walt Wilson. Walt stated the envelopes were from Emulsicoat with an invitation to the Beef House. Walt and Janet invited her to go with them to the Beef House the next time.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Terry Ellingwood and seconded by Janet Shoaf to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2010 meeting. Vote: 3-0

CLAIMS

A motion was made by Janet Shoaf and seconded by Terry Ellingwood to approve the Claims 1- 238 and the monthly claims. Vote: 3-0

MONTHLY REPORTS

The Commissioners reviewed the monthly report from the Health Department for February 2010.

E-911

Steve Harvey reported that he has setup a training process for the 911 operators. It is a twelve week program and certain criteria have to be met before becoming a full time operator. He stated that he is working on the overtime situation. He reduced the overtime being paid in February drastically. He stated that for March and April it will be middle of the road due to the training of the operators.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Greg Robison reported that everything is going well at the Health Department. He has sent the proposed sewage ordinance to Tom O'Connor for his review. He also stated that he is still working on updating the Food Ordinance.

.COUNTY HIGHWAY

Rusty Peevler reported that he attended a seminar on March 31. INDOT took 70% of the stimulus money. The stimulus money was to be used for counties in distress. They were encouraged to go forth with everything that is available to the counties as far as taxes and fees.

He also reported that INDOT will start on CR 300 on April 15, 2010. The County will need to have completed all of their work by this date. He reported that the work east of US 41 on CR 300 is on schedule.

They have one of the broken down graders up and running. The Highway department will be working four (4) 10 hour days starting approximately on May 10, 2010 and will continue until school is back in session.

LEASE OF GRADER

A decision about whether or not to lease a grader was tabled until Walt Wilson has a chance to look the leases over with Rusty.

AMBULANCE

Virginia Scherer presented the Commissioners with a check in the amount of \$74,832.75 for the month of March. She reported that the EMS has received computers from the EMA and are currently being installed in the ambulances.

She reported that the grant application was sent and we should hear by the third week of April on the preliminary.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Joe Whitaker stated that he is still working on the Continuity of Operation Plan for the Courthouse. He has sent it to the State for their review. He also updated the Commissioners on his recent training and upcoming exercises.

He also has a Storm Spotter Class scheduled for April 13, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Covington Fire Station.

SHERIFF

Chief Deputy, Dana Jeffries informed the Commissioners that they are currently housing 19 inmates at the Fountain County Jail. They have 10 in Montgomery County, 4 in Warren County and 1 in Vermillion County.

He also reported that the firm that is to do maintenance on the jail HVAC system twice a year has not been out as of this date.

COUNTY EXTENSION

Amanda Smith of the County Extension office stated that they have two training session coming up in regards to specific Health Care Costs. It will be held on April 29, 2010 from 2 – 4 p.m. in the Community Room of the Courthouse.

Larry DeBoer also will be addressing State and County Budgets on May 20, 2010 from 2 – 4:30 p.m. at the same location.

Kelsie Muller will be starting a new program at the Covington Friendship Circle every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. It will be a fitness class for older adults.

ORDINANCE 2010-1

A motion was made by Janet Shoaf to approve Ordinance 2010-1, An Ordinance Revising Fees for the Ambulance Service. Terry Ellingwood seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0

RECOVERY CONSULTING INC

A motion was made by Terry Ellingwood and seconded by Janet Shoaf to retain Recovery Consulting Inc to do an assessment of the telecommunication bills and contracts.

Vote: 3-0

COURTHOUSE CLEANING

An estimate was obtained from Pride Power washing to clean the outside of the Courthouse. Terry Ellingwood would like more time to review it. A decision was tabled until the next meeting.

LIBERTY NATIONAL

Paul Smerud of Liberty National asked for permission to approach the employees regarding Life insurance. The life insurance policy does not change as the employee gets older. It is long term and affordable. It will not change until you reach 100 years. He also stated that the plan can be pre-taxed.

A motion was made by Terry Ellingwood and seconded by Janet Shoaf to allow the plan.
Vote: 3-0

VALLEY INSURANCE

Charles Pilecki went over the insurance renewal for liability, vehicle and property with the Commissioners.

COUNTY CEMETERY COMMISSION

Jasper Fogleman stated that they are planning an event for the Ruppert Cemetery for June 12, 2010. Volunteers have spent over 1000 hours reconditioning the cemetery.

ORDINANCE 2010-4

A motion was made by Terry Ellingwood and seconded by Janet Shoaf to approve Ordinance 2010-3, An Ordinance for the Temporary Closure or Restrictions of County Roads.
Vote: 3-0

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE APRIL 19, 2010 AT 6:30 P.M.

Attest: _____

