

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
April 1st, 2013

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Board of Commissioners convened in a regular meeting at 3:45 p.m. on Monday, April 1st, 2013, having adjourned from a regular meeting on Monday, March 18th, 2013.
- II. ROLL CALL:** Members present were Commissioners Jim Meece, President; Greg Harbison, First Vice President; Dan R. Collom, Second Vice President; County Attorney John Asbury; Pam Adams, Auditor; and Janie Hardman, 1st Deputy Auditor. Also present were Dianna Federspill, Bill McCormick, Larry Bemis, Randy Norman, Mary Alice Gregg, Glen A. Jones and Jerry L. Newlin.
- III. MINUTES:** Minutes for the meeting held on Monday, March 18th, 2013 were approved on a motion made by Greg Harbison and seconded by Jim Meece. The motion carried unanimously.
- IV. PAYROLL:** County payroll in the amount of \$141,856.14 was approved for release on Monday, April 8th, 2013 on a motion made by Greg Harbison. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Greg Harbison made a motion acknowledging receipt of the Payroll Claims Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$230,651.47. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Jim Meece wanted it noted in the minutes that the Board is only acknowledging and reviewing the Payroll Claims Accounts Payables report and in no way is affirming the accuracy of the data contained within the report.
- V. CLAIMS:** After reviewing the Claims Docket, claims in the amount of \$217,713.20 were approved for release on April 1st, 2013 on a motion made by Greg Harbison and seconded by Dan Collom. The motion carried unanimously. Greg Harbison questioned the claim payable to Verne Trester, Inc. Auditor Pam Adams explained Mr. Trester was the expert witness for the defense in the recent Zach Buza trial. Judge Swaim only authorized payment of \$5,000.00 not the \$5,305.95 as invoiced.
- VI. NEW BUSINESS:**
- Greg Harbison made a motion to approve hand-typed checks in the amount of \$690.00 payable to the Cleaver Cabling & Consulting Inc. for installation of computer equipment; in the amount of \$85.00 payable to CHC Wellness for Glen Jones' lab work; and \$3,379.36 payable to Parke County Convention & Visitors Commission for the balance of Innkeepers Tax. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - A letter from the Parke County Health Board regarding publication of restaurant inspections was presented for review. Parke County Sentinel Editor Larry Bemis noted the inspection results are public record and newspapers can print anything that is public record. The Board of Commissioners agreed with Bemis' statement.
 - The Siemens Annual Guaranteed Energy Savings Report was reviewed by the Board.
 - The Veterans Service Officer Award Recovery Report for 2012 was presented for review.
 - Dan Collom made a motion to approve the agreement with Manatron / Thomson Reuters in the amount of \$1,200.00 for one day on-site data migration to transfer software and data to the new server. Greg Harbison seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - The Board reviewed estimates from Mother Nature Landscaping and TruGreen to treat the ash and/or tulip trees on the Courthouse lawn to prevent damage from the emerald ash borer and brown soft scale. The Board asked the Auditor to request Custodian Don Pruner to attend the April 15th, 2013 Commissioner meeting to provide details and answer questions about treatment for the trees.
- VII. OLD BUSINESS:**
- Parke County Treasurer Mary Alice Gregg addressed the Board regarding oil and mineral properties in the County. Gregg stated the parcels have assessed valuations assigned to them which create taxes, but none of the parcels are producing. The parcels end up in the County's tax sales every year. Gregg and Auditor Pam Adams met with SRI, Inc. Vice President Joe Edwards who provided a copy of Indiana Code which offers a solution. Based on information in the statute, Edwards suggested the County adopt a resolution to certify the parcels to the Clerk. The Resolution would allow the valuations to be reduced to zero and the delinquent taxes to be written off since there is no production on the parcels. The Board asked County Attorney John Asbury to review the statute and work on preparing the resolution.

VIII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Parke County Highway, Randy Norman:

- Presented a claim for bridge inspections in the amount of \$10,928.00.
- Greg Harbison made a motion to adopt **Same Day, Same Meeting; Ordinance 2013-02**. The motion was seconded by Dan Collom and carried unanimously. Greg Harbison made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 2013-02** which establishes the reasonable and safe maximum speed limit for Parke County Road 1050 East from US36 and ending 0.880 miles north of US36 to thirty (30) miles per hour. Dan Collom seconded and the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Submitted the quarterly service records for the Highway Department employees.
- The March 25th, 2013 snow removal cost \$36,189.11.
- Norman will be asking the Parke County Council for additional appropriations in the amounts of \$25,000.00 from the Covered Bridge Fund; \$23,000.00 from the Cumulative Bridge Fund and \$100,000.00 from the County Economic Development Income Tax (CEDIT) Fund.
- Greg Harbison made a motion to approve the consulting contract between Parke County and Clark-Dietz for construction engineering services for Bridge #72 Armiesburg not to exceed \$212,500.00. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Parke County Sheriff, D. Michael Eslinger: Not Present

IX. PERSONS REQUESTING TIME ON THE AGENDA:

Bloomington Town Board Member, Jerry Newlin spoke to the Board regarding the feasibility of having an ambulance stationed at the new firehouse in Bloomington. Newlin would like to have a meeting with the Commissioners along with the Parke County Council and Ambulance Director Terry Hensley. Partial funding could come from the Parke Vermillion Community Health Clinic.

Parke County Employee Glen Jones expressed concerns to the Board regarding the wellness clinic. The County received a billing for \$85.00 for a blood draw and screening for Jones. Jones told the Commissioners he had blood work done by his doctor a few days before the wellness clinic and since his doctor uses Lab One he feels that the labs his doctor ordered should count toward the wellness clinic and he shouldn't have to pay for the blood draw. Auditor Pam Adams explained to the Commissioners Jones would have needed to go to a Lab One clinic and have the wellness screening in order not to have pay for the lab work. Adams stated the labs that were ordered by Jones's doctor were not part of the wellness program. After some discussion the Commissioners wanted Adams to find out if the County was billed double for the blood draw.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

XI. ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Dan Collom and seconded by Greg Harbison. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Jim Meece, President

Greg Harbison, Vice President

Dan R. Collom, Second Vice President

ATTEST:

Pam Adams, Auditor