

Franklin County Commissioners Meeting
February 16, 2016
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners – Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary – Carol Westerman
Auditor – Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve minutes and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Claims: President Wilson read the claims that were to be approved at the meeting. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve claims and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried. Commissioner Linkel requested that the claims information be made available to the public at the meeting as to not to have to read them.

VSO and Treasurer Report – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge VSO and Treasurers report for Jan. 2016 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Craig Maxwell – Metamora Historic District - has purchased property in Metamora and will be opening Maxwell Medical, Inc. and asked for permission to change signage. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to allow for the change and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Becky Oglesby – Fr. Co. Council President – presented comments on bridge inspection and stated that the bridges on Old US 52 and Tee Hill were not listed on the Bridge Inspection Report of bridges that needed replaced. She also asked the Commissioners to consider replacing the bridge inspector. In addition Ms. Oglesby talked about HB 1110 and that there is possibility that the county could receive a sum of money once the bill is passed. She suggested that it would be a good idea to have a plan in place for use of the funds providing the bill passes.

Bill Schirmer – EDC – appeared to express his concern for the SIRPC grant. He stated that his board has not met at this time but he would like to see the Commissioners, Township Trustees to get behind this project. The county would be required to come up with \$20,000 in matching funds to get the grant of \$300,000.00 to rehab homes for elderly and disabled. The County Council recently voted to take no action on this project. Commissioner Roberts stated that there may not be a lot of people who would fit the strict perimeters of the project.

Sharon Halcomb – Fr. Co. Assessor – PTABOA – recommended Diane Schuck and Janice Kuntz be appointed to the PTABOA Board. A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve the appointments and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Ted Cooley – Fr. Co. Highway – presented his weekly update which includes: PASER – Mr. Cooley will prepare quotes and present at the next meeting; FHWA GRANT – presented letter for cancellation and requested signatures of the Commissioners – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to sign the letter and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried; Bridge #8 – Deck Replacement Project – Tee Hill – this project is to

begin this week – pouring concrete, complete welding of bridge deck and installation of Guard Rails. Mr. Cooley also noted that the Cedar Grove Bridge would be demolished at 10:00AM on the 17th of February.

Internal Control Policy – Ordinance #2016-5 - This was tabled until the next meeting. However; the commissioners would appoint a board that would consist of: Auditor, Clerk, Treasurer, Sheriff and a commissioner.

Oler Fencing & Construction – Tabled

Kramig Insulation & Environmental Services – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to hire Kramig to clean bat debris from the Clock Tower and Front Porch at the Court House for \$7,267.00 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

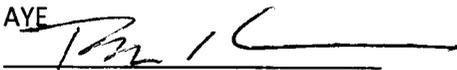
Sheriff Bond – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve bond for Jail Matron – Susan Jones and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Payroll – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve payroll and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Other discussion – Commissioner Linkel stated his interest in acquiring a new Mowing Tractor for District 2. He is looking into the possible trade in value or possibility taking items to Whites Consignment Auction in April. Mr. Linkel read a written statement to Mark and Millie Simmermeyer and Betty Lecher regarding accusations directed to him in public meetings.

Adjourn – with no further business to be discussed a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance - Tim George, Betty Lecher, Mark & Millie Simmermeyer, Joe Sizemore, Veronica Voelker, Sara Duffy, Sharon Halcomb, John & Jonathan Maxwell, Becky Oglesby, Bill Schirmer, Karla Bauman. The names are spelled correctly per the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson



Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts

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Attest: Stephen Brack, Auditor