

Franklin County Commissioners  
May 26, 2015  
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.

Jail Roof Bids: There were 4 bids for the project: Nu-Tec: \$142,000 – Alternate: \$80,970; Eckstein: \$175,113 – Alternate: \$74,737; Kramer: \$154,865 – Alternate: \$95,695; R & B: \$183,750 – Alternate: \$95,625. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to accept the Alternate Bid of Eckstein at \$74,737 with a start date of Sept. 1, 2015 and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Linkel. Motion Carried.

Jail Paint: There were 3 bids: Hartman Painting Co. - \$27,625.00, Flannery Painting - \$22,000.00 and G & H Painters - \$16,850.00. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to accept the bid of G & H Painters. Motion carried.

Public Transportation – Cathy Pelsor: presented the 2016 Grant Application. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to authorize Tom Wilson to sign and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

County Surveyor – Joe Gillespie: discussed the need from property owners to help improve Shingle Creek Road. A question was asked by Millie Simmermeyer as to why an ordinance could not be created to close the road and stop the upkeep. County Engineer has been asked to check out the situation and report back. Also there are 2 cemeteries on Blue Creek and Oak Tree Road and asked the commissioners if they would accept deed conveying to the County? Mr. Gillespie is to prepare legal description and the commissioners are willing to take title.

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

Clerks Report: a motion was made by Tom Wilson to accept the report and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley: presented updates to include: INDOT US 52 Small Structure Replacement – Good Creek to begin May 29; Bridge #56 and #144 INDOT has asked about delaying the project for one year; Bridge #55 – Log Jam Removal – contracts next week; Rehab of Huntersville Road Bridge over I74 and Bridge #168 – Replacement project.

LEO Agreement: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to sign the agreement and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Payroll: discussion was held regarding the pay of Amanda Tebbe at 90% as opposed to 100% since she was just hired and the Salary Ordinance pays only 90% for the first 90 days. A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve payroll to include pay to Amanda Tebbe at 100% and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Linkel. Eric

Roberts was opposed. Motion carried. Tom Wilson is to get a letter from the Judge to support the decision. Tom Linkel based his 2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion on the fact that Tom Wilson gets this letter.

Letter of Support: there is a group of citizens accepting donations to the Thomas More Society of which the Commissioners have sent a letter to Rick Gill stating their support to this fundraising effort. A motion was made by Tom Linkel for the Commissioners to sign the letter and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Auditor: informed the Commissioners that settlement would be on Thursday, May 28 and the Property Owners in the Bruns/Harvey Ditch area paid taxes of \$27,519.60 and there were no problems.

Healthcare: Millie Simmermeyer asked the Commissioners to a new plan and the county employees to pay a higher premium. No further discussion was held.

Adjourn: with no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Wilson and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Cathy Pelsor, Mark and Millie Simmermeyer, Jim and Gerri Clark, Brian Eckstein, Renee Estridge, Ted Cooley and Marty Hau. The names are spelled according to the sign in sheet.

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Stephen Brack, Auditor