

Franklin County Commissioners
June 13, 2016
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Eric Roberts – Tom Linkel – absent
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 Eric Roberts to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

VSO report: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge receipt of the VSO report and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurers report and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Public Transportation: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to have President Tom Wilson sign the annual report of the Public Transportation and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Unkept/Unsafe Ordinance: Mr. Worth didn't have an update. However he stated that SBOA is proposing that all counties adopt their "code of ethics" by early July.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley: presented his update. Mr. Cooley stated that the Paser documents would be available next week. He received 2 quotes on the cutting the ends off of the steel tanks and Commissioner Roberts asked if the Highway Department could do this project themselves. There was a lot of discussion concerning Wolf Creek Bridge. Mr. Cooley is questioning if the new bridge being 62 foot in length will be long enough. The current structure is 45 foot long. The discussion between Wilson and Roberts was do we demolish the existing abutments and start over with a design. Mr. Roberts stated that we should design a bridge before buying a bridge. Commissioner Wilson stated that we are too far along to change. Mr. Cooley will inspect the bridge and report back. It was also stated that buying a longer bridge or removing the stone abutments would increase the projected cost to \$250,000.00. Next week the Commissioners will select roads for which they hope the grant money will be used for repairs. Commissioner Roberts stated that the cost is more important in making the decision as opposed to the number of roads.

Comments: Once again John Estridge from Whitewater Publications was inquiring on the Treasurer not having full access to Payroll. The auditor was asked if he was the Security Administrator and if he in fact took away the access. The auditor stated that the Treasurer has everything she needs to do her job. Mr. Estridge and Mr. Wilson informed everyone that everything is public information. Mr. Wilson commented that the Treasurer's office and Auditors office need to work together. A question was asked from the audience if they were able to see Highway budget and the Auditor told them he could get copies of whatever they needed. Sara Duffy from the Observer asked where Commissioner Linkel was to which she was told he is on vacation.

Adjourn: No further business a motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others attending: Betty Lecher, Mildred Simmermeyer, Brent Roberts, Sara Duffy, James Sprague, Karla Bauman, Ted Cooley and John Worth.

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Attest:

Stephen Brack
Stephen Brack, Auditor