

Franklin County Commissioners
November 14, 2016
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel, Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack – 1st Deputy: Shannon Meyer

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

Clint Kersting – Midwest Financial: Mr. Kersting introduced his company, AXA Equitable Life. His company is interested in helping people to save money for retirement through the ROTH 457 (b). This is completely voluntarily and is not cost to the county. The Commissioners told him they don't have a problem with his meeting with the employees. Mr. Kersting is to get with the Auditor and Carol Westerman to setup times that would be convenient. He stated he would visit twice a year and could be done on-site or after business hours.

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

Veterans Report: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to acknowledge receipt of the Veterans Report and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Recycling Center: President Wilson stated that changes are being made for recycling. Since there is only a part-time person Recycling will on be taken on Tuesday and Saturday and this will become effective December 1, 2016. Commissioner Roberts reminded everyone that there are self-serve recycling containers for paper, plastic, cardboard and glass located in Cedar Grove and 2nd Street two blocks south of US 52 and in Batesville at 616 John Street.

Annex Roof: Repairs will begin during the week of November 21, 2016.

Franklin County Highway Engineer – Ted Cooley: presented his weekly update. Mr. Cooley stated that the Replacement Project for Bridge 136 will begin this week. A change order in the amount of \$1,200.00 is needed. A motion to approve Change Order # 1 was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried. A motion was made by Tom Wilson to sign the letter requesting assistance from USDA under the provision of the Emergency Watershed Protection Program to repair areas that were damaged from the recent flooding and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

LED Lighting: The Commissioner's discussed replacing old light fixtures in four county buildings with new LED lighting. By making the change would result in lower energy bills the will pay for the new lights and will continue to save money on utilities. Commissioner Wilson's first thought was this would break the bank; however Commissioner Roberts explained the savings at the Jail alone would result to \$17,878.00 in the first year. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to accept the quote of Light Tech to make the change and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.


Other discussion: From the audience Mildred Simmermeyer questioned the Commissioner's about the Clerk's office and Treasurer's office having books not balanced. She also reminded the Commissioner's


that an ordinance was passed regarding discrepancies of \$50.00. The Commissioners stated that they were unaware of this and would check into the situation.

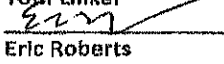
Thank You: Commissioner Wilson read a statement thanking his family, "best friend" John Estridge and all of those who supported him for re-election.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Mildred Simmermeyer, Betty Lecher, Clint Kersting, Kevin Scherz, Sara Duffy, John Estridge and Daryl Kramer.

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Tom Wilson


Tom Linkel


Eric Roberts

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Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor