

Franklin County Commissioners

May 13, 2013

Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners --Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Scott McDonough

Commissioners Secretary -- Carol Westerman

Auditor -- Stephen Brack

Open -- The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes -- A motion was made by Scott McDonough to approve the minutes, 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Payroll -- A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve payroll, 2nd by Scott McDonough. Motion carried.

Utility Claims -- A motion to approve claims was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Scott McDonough. Motion carried.

Clerks report -- A motion was made by Scott McDonough to accept the clerk's report, 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Veteran's report -- A motion to accept Veterans report was made by Scott McDonough, 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Ted Cooley -- bids were presented to repair Bridge # 81 on St. Mary's road near Pipe Creek as follows: Dave O'Mara Construction - \$72,350.00, American Contracting -- \$77,750.00, HIS Constructors - \$91,600.00 and Milestone Contractors - \$78,825.00. The bid was awarded to Dave O'Mara Construction with construction beginning in June and completed within 10 days. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to pay this out of Cum Bridge and 2nd by Scott McDonough. Motion carried.

ATV/OFV -- The commissioners listened to additional comments from the public regarding ATV/ORV. There were 5 people, Cindy Studdt, Jeff Wilson, John Palmer, Paul Lovins and Dustin Robinson that spoke against the proposal and 3 people, Don Simmermeyer, Robert Braun and Don Maucher, spoke in favor. Many statistics were given as to why or why not this should be denied or approved. Commissioner Wilson reported that the town of Laurel had written a letter supporting the proposal and they are hoping to have increased revenue by bringing people into Haspin Acres. Attorney Grant Reeves reported that he had done some research into the enforcement of the ordinance and that an "Enforcement Bureau" could be created and headed by the County Clerk. The bureau could collect fines for violations without incurring additional court costs. The disadvantage to this would be that the maximum fine that could be assessed is \$250.00. After a 3rd violation then it could be escalated to the court system and a larger fine could be imposed and a lifetime ban for repeat offenders. ORV riders who trespass on private property would also be banned for life from riding on the county roads. Commissioner Linkel noted that he is ready to put the proposal to a vote as soon as the attorney can submit the final draft. No date has been mentioned at this time.

EDIT -- discussion was held regarding the possibility of freeing up money for the highway department but no decision was made at this time.

Redistricting -- Attorney John Worth reported he would have the preliminary census numbers for the commissioners at the next meeting. This project must be completed for the 2014 County Council election.

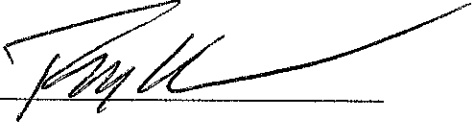
Door to Door -- a request has been made by a Roofing Contractor from Indianapolis on the DOOR to DOOR solicitation ordinance. County Clerk Karla Bauman found a 1977 ordinance that can be used. A subsequent ordinance by Council must be nullified as County doesn't have the authority to write ordinances. A discussion was held by the commissioners about the possibility of requiring a background check on the solicitors and if county business could be exempted.

Comprehensive Plan -- a list of prospective members of the CPC was shared by Commissioner Wilson. Those unanimously approved are: Dave White, Jim Suhre, Rick McMillin, Jeff Batchler, Robert Braun, Ed Derickson, Tim George, Haroline Ison, Daryl Kramer, Stanley Monroe, Wayne Monroe and Dave Collier.

With no further business coming before the meeting a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Scott McDonough.

Others in attendance are: Don Simmermeyer, John Estridge, Paul Lovins, Joe Sizemore, Martha Bergman, Polly Ann Maucher, Don Maucher, Dawn Maucher, Zach Maucher, Jeff Wilson, Jordan Maucher, Jim Tenover, Steve Halpin, Jeff ?, Cindy Studt, James Sprague, Ernie Knecht, Ervin Roberts, Robert Braun, Jeff Batchler, Paula Keller, Kathie Manix, John Palmer, Ted Cooley, Karla Bauman, Brian Bauman, Wayne Monroe, Ronald Hoog, John Keslere and Bob Doherty. The list of names is spelled correctly according to the sign in sheet.

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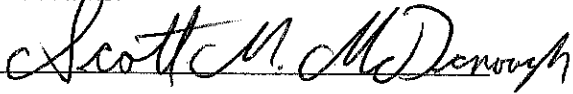


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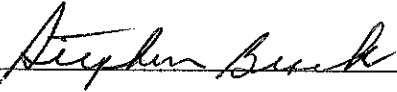


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Attest:



Stephen Brack, Franklin County Auditor

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