

MINUTES OF THE CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

February 4, 2019

9:00A.M.

The Clinton County Commissioners met for a regular meeting on February 4, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room located at 125 Courthouse Square, Frankfort, IN 46041.

President of the Commissioners, Commissioner Uitts called the meeting to order with the following members shown to be present or absent:

PRESENT

Josh Uitts

Scott Shoemaker

ABSENT

Steve Woods

Others in attendance were Commissioner Assistant Jerri Sexton, Britt Ostler, Mayor Chris McBarnes, Dr. Stephen Tharp, Carol Bartley, Rich Kelly, Ron Gascho, Ken Hartman, Renee Crick, Chris Overman, Rodney Wann, Greg Miller, Kevin Myers, Dan Sheets, Nancy Ward and others shown to be present in the minutes. Commissioner's Assistant Jerri Sexton recorded the minutes.

IN THE MATTER OF PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Uitts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Uitts asked for public comment: Stephanie Crum discussed her concerns about whether an Audit vs a financial review was performed of the Humane Society of Clinton County, and she believes it to be a financial review. She has concerns over isuse of the TNR funds at the HSCC, believing that designated TNR funds were used for pay raises. She is also concerned with Board members at HSCC past their term limits according to their own by-laws. Commissioner Uitts addresses her concerns about the Audit and Review, stating that we asked them to follow the same guidelines that the county has to follow with the State Board of Accounts.

IN THE MATTER OF JETS

Kim Harris representing Jets seeks funding from the County Commissioners for their animal control program and shelter. Kim states they are now taking care of the TNR program, they will provide 24/7 animal control, they will contain viscous animals and not take them to the HSCC. Jim Tate will be in charge of Euthanization because he is licensed to do so. They will write citations and all money collected will be given to the HSCC. Kim welcomes the Commissioners to come tour their site and to come to any board meetings. They will post on their web page and update on funding and expenditures. Commissioner Uitts ask about non for status, their working relationship with HSCC and if they are willing to work on a system of invoicing for services rendered, the same as they are asking HSCC to do. Kim states their 501c3 is still pending, they are willing to work with HSCC as adults and willing to take animals to shelter with two volunteers and meet them outside. Kim states they are willing to do invoice system if the county can front load funds for the first month so they can take a wounded animal to the vet if necessary. Kim asks Commissioners to give them a chance and see how it works out. Commissioners will give consideration to the matter and wait for Commissioner Woods to return before making a decision. Mayor McBarnes wanted to clarify that while he agrees that 95-98% of animal control calls come from within the city, 100% of the people in the city pay county taxes. He states that whatever the county decides he is willing to take this in front of the city council and have that conversation. Commissioner Uitts stated that from a financial perspective the county does not use taxpayer money for animal control, it comes from landfill tipping fees.

IN THE MATTER OF SPEED ORDINANCE

Kevin Myers request Commissioners to pass speed reduction Ordinance on County Road 950 West , across bridge 36 from 55 mph to 40 mph. Commissioner Shoemaker motioned to pass Ordinance 2019-02 for reduction of speed , Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY UPDATE

Highway Superintendent Kevin Myers reported: Other than winter operations, they have been very limited in what they can do. They have been at work every day except MLK Day since January 6th. They have made a pretty big dent in their overtime and salt budgets. The mechanics have done an excellent job trying to keep equipment operational.

Tuesday evening, the salt trucks went out about 6:30 pm to hit the hard surface roads with salt and sand. The ice was not severe event but the roads definitely needed treated. They were able to hit almost every road (about 560 miles) solid in 5-6 hours. I am very proud of how they hung in there and kept the roads safe.

During the extreme cold we kept 8 trucks inside because none of them likely would have started. We got at least 5-6" if snow in the southern half of the county, and 4-5" north on Friday. Very thankful there was no wind with it.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMUNITY CROSSING BIDS

Commissioner Uitts opened and read bids for the 2019 Road Resurfacing Projects. Project one is Manson-Colfax Road and Project 2 is various roads in Forest. Bids are as follows:

	Project 1	Project 2
Grady Brothers, Inc.	\$629,515.00	\$226,196.00
Calumet Civil Contractors, Inc.	\$649,000.00	\$229,000.00
Milestone Contractors, LP	\$551,975.50	\$233,393.00
Central Paving, Inc.	no bid	\$217,612.70
Rieth-Riley Construction Co.,Inc	\$581,102.96	\$230,497.00
Midwest Paving	\$644,707.86	\$230,609.00

THE MATTER OF AREA PLAN

Liz Stitzel reported: I sent a brief report and photo of each of the two houses that we have sent initial orders to tear down or repair to., but have seen no action in either direction. Both pulled construction permits after or around the time they were initially cited and have extended them, but neither has completed even the exterior or met their agreed upon deadlines. I seek your preference in terms of if you wish to take any (and if so) action on each of these. Despite the open permit, the one in Forest has had no progress and the one on Michigantown Blacktop has had some progress but not to the agreed on points (the exterior was supposed to be complete and secured with a framing inspection done inside by 12/17/2018). Commissioners Shoemaker motioned for a \$150.00 lien for both properties, Commissioner Uitts seconded, motion carried 2-0.

The city and county share a permitting system in which data is shared. We gave 862 permits for 2018, 32 new homes in the county, 4 duplexes, (8 dwellings), in Frankfort 4 new homes, 11 new subdivisions in the county. 6,552,368 new valuations, commercial and industrial construction although that number is probably low.

IN THE MATTER OF MICROVOTE AGREEMENT

Clerk, Rhea Harris presented the Microvote agreement as well as Maximus agreement which is a 4-D, they help find and save money. Commissioners sign both agreements. Rhea also request help for space requirements in their office, and wants to knock down a wall to provide more square footage and room for cabinets and filing. Commissioner Uitts states they are in the early stages of looking into an off site climate controlled storage facility for the things that can be stored out of the courthouse

IN THE MATTER OF CENTRAL DISPATCH 2018 STATISTICS

Renee Crick reports: Total 911 calls for 2018 were down by 4% with a total of 15,684. Most people are doing away with landlines and going to total wireless calls. We showed 86% of all 911 calls received were wireless calls. Total administrative calls were 49,321 which is a 12% decrease from the previous year. Total dispatched calls were 37,438 in 2018 with a decrease of 12%. We continue to utilize out TextTY. We sent a total of 992 texts from 911 and received 76 texts to 911.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Commissioners signed Ordinance 2019-01 for BOH fees.
Commissioners signed Paul Phillippe Final invoice voucher for 2018.
Dawn Layton request a copy of the Auditors State Board of Account Audit.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Shoemaker motioned to approve credit card agreements for Sheriff Kelly and Ashley Kelly, Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Sheriff Kelly reports: He will have several ordinances after Tom has a chance to go over them and put them together. The first being a medical co-pay. Other Ordinances include inmate booking processing fee and inmate reimbursement program.

Insurance company is going to work with us on making a claim for windows. Vehicles are being delivered this week. Need to update camera system due to blind spots that could create safety issues. The overhead door in the evidence room has been fixed. Inmates are satisfied with new medical company and the care they are receiving. In the process of talking with Highway Department about tagging property damaged in an accident and submitting claims to insurance companies for parties involved.

Dan Sheets reports: Seeking Commissioners approval to dispose of some obsolete equipment. Commissioners give approval.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Uitts reported:

Commissioner Shoemaker reported: Signed Amanda Abbotts Bond. The Jaycees have requested to use the courthouse restrooms for ice festival.

Commissioner Woods reported:

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES

Commissioner Shoemaker moved to accept the January 15, 2019 minutes as presented. Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Shoemaker moved to approve the following claims as submitted, Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 2-0

- Friday claims dated January 18, 2019 in the amount of \$10,258.08
- Friday claims dated January 25, 2019 in the amount of \$34,201.30
- Friday claims dated February 1, 2019 in the amount of \$23,967.33
- Court claims dated February 4, 2019 in the amount of \$20,816.96
- Bi-weekly claims dated February 4, 2019 in the amount of \$534,480.13

IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL

Commissioner Shoemaker moved to approve the following payroll claims as submitted. Commissioners Uitts seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

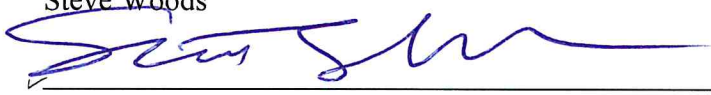
- BOH Payroll ending January 18, 2019 in the amount of \$754.25
- Payroll ending January 18, 2019 in the amount of \$389,339.39

Without any further business to come before the Board Commissioner Shoemaker made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Commissioner Uitts at 10:10am . Motion carried 2 -0.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLINTON COUNTY



 Josh Uitts, President

 Steve Woods


 Scott Shoemaker

ATTEST:



 Britt Ostler, Auditor