

## COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Jefferson Co. Courthouse, Room 103, 300 E. Main Street Madison, IN 47250

FEBRUARY 7, 2019

START- 5:00 pm

ADJOURN- 6:04 pm

In attendance: County Commissioner President Robert Little, County Council members David Bramer and Ron Lee. Auditor, Sherry Eblen and taking minutes, Kelli Hoffman.

Robert led giving the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Minutes from 01/24/2019, all accounts payable and payroll claim dockets were approved. David made motion to approve, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup>. Minutes approved 3/0.

**Rick Sauley; Workman's Comp Renewal:** Rick was in attendance to go over the workman's comp renewal. Rick stated due to 2019 2% payroll raises, the workman's comp renewal was increased by 2% and stated that the total 2019 premium amount was \$86,037, which is a \$2,569 drop from 2018.

**Eric Brady; Enterprise- Fleet Management:** Eric Brady was in attendance to explain to Commissioners the Fleet Management program Enterprise offers. Eric gave Commissioners a packet showing figures on what leasing 4 fleet vehicles would compare to buying just 1 fleet vehicle. Eric suggested that the County look into doing a Pilot Program, working with Enterprise and focus on 1 department, starting with the Highway Department to see how the program goes. He also suggested eventually branching out and opening this up to more departments within the county, depending on how the Pilot Program goes.

**Aaron Bell; Southeastern Indiana Recycling District Annual Report:** Aaron was in attendance to go over the annual report with Commissioners. He stated that 2018 was a very good year, bringing in over 8 million pounds of recycling and explained that every year they're seeing a good rate of growth, so he's very pleased. Aaron also explained that by mid-year 2019, he's hoping they will have an option to shred materials and explained that in May, June and July, there will be day's setup for the public to bring in tired, electronics and other hard to recycle items and drop them off, free of charge.

**Tabath Eblen; Satellite Voting Locations:** Tabatha was in attendance to ask Commissioners to approve the Health Department and the Hanover Parks Building to be used during satellite voting days. Tabatha explained the voter registration board has already approved these buildings to be used, she just needed to the Commissioner to approve to use these buildings. David made motion to approve, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 3/0.

**Faith Weir; 2018 VSO Report:** Faith was in attendance to go over the 2018 VSP Report and gave numbers for the work that's been done within the office all year. Faith explained the office is still continuing to do the outreach program at Thornton Terrace and at WORX Radio station and also stated she's completed her continuing education credit hours that must be done annually. She explained that in 2018, handicap parking was able to be completed around the VA Office and \$940,690.04 of money was completed and went back into Veterans pockets. Faith also explained that \$1,374,519.40 was the amount that was filed for Veteran deductions and explained this amount has tripled from what it was a few years ago. After completing the annual report, Faith explained how the office would like to see a stipend be setup for volunteer drivers to assist veterans to get to and from doctor appointments. She asked Commissioners for \$4,000 to start this project and explained that other entities have stated they would be willing to donate money, if this project was started. The Commissioners stated they would look into how to fund this program, but couldn't guarantee that they'd be able to do the entire \$4,000.

**Jeff Dagher; Plan Commission Resolution:** Jeff was in attendance for a plan commissioner resolution approval. Jeff explained that the Commissioners could vote to approve litigation, do nothing or vote against doing the litigation. Jeff explained the property up for litigation and explained reasoning as to why it was at this point. David made a motion to accept and approve the resolution, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 3/0.

**Bobby Phillips; HWY Dept.:** Bobby gave a quick update about what the highway department, dealing with all of the snow, ice and rain. He also stated that during the next meeting, he'd be back with quotes for Bridge 142.

**Troy Morgan; EMA Dept.:** Troy wanted to make Commissioner's aware of a texting issue that's been resolved. Troy explained there are mass text messages that are sent out for weather related warnings and watches to subscribers that opt to get these messages. He explained that the mass texts were for 10 zip codes and every subscriber would get the same texts, so sometimes Jefferson County wouldn't apply to the messages being sent out. Troy has gotten it updated and the other messages Jefferson County subscribers

will receive will be for the 47250 & 47243 zip codes. He stated he was receiving a lot of texts, social media and voice messages with subscribers being upset for receiving other area messages at all hours of the night. Troy also explained that the annual review was completed and there were no changes that were needed to be corrected at this time.

**Commissioner Discussion:** It was stated that the RDA meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month and the next Plan Commission meeting is on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

David made a motion to adjourn, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 3/0.

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Sherry Eblen, Auditor

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Robert Little, President

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David Bramer, Member

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Ron Lee, Member