

## **COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

Jefferson County Courthouse, Room 103, 300 E. Main St. Madison, IN 47250

DATE 08-09-2018

Commissioner David Bramer called the meeting to order, and led The Pledge of Allegiance along with Norbert Schafer and Robert Little. Commissioner Norbert Schafer made a motion to approve the previous meetings minutes, all accounts payable, and payroll claim dockets. Commissioner Robert Little seconded the motion. Motion passed 3/0.

**Jenny Slover, Animal Shelter-** Animal Shelter Manager, Jenny Slover requested the adoption fee schedule to be increased to help supplement the credit card operating costs. The cost to run the credit card machine is \$79 per month. Slover stated she has seen an increase of card sales since having the machine. The fees to increase are \$25 to \$30 for intact animals and \$45 to \$55 for neutered dogs. The costs for neutered cats would remain the same. Commissioner Robert Little made a motion to accept the new adoption fee schedule, which comes as a recommendation from the Animal Shelter Advisory Board. Commissioner Norbert Schafer seconded the motion. Motion passed 3/0. Jenny Slover will contact the County Attorney to establish an ordinance to be signed.

**Faith Weir, VSO-** Faith Weir, County VSO, came before the Commissioners with the 2018 second quarter report. During the second quarter, the office has assisted with 331 claims and has awarded over \$250,000 in Veteran benefits to County Veterans and their families. Faith also stated that the office will be participating in the Military Appreciation Day on August 11<sup>th</sup> from 11am-2p at the American Legion. The Veteran Service Office will continue to update the Commissioners each quarter.

**Highway Department-** Highway Superintendent, Robert Phillips stated the Highway Department has been working on a road widening project on Bacon Ridge Road. Phillips stated that he would like to begin work to install box culverts that he currently has in stock for two locations. He received multiple quotes for each location. On 450 W, between Prospect and Ten Cent Road, he received three quotes to install the box culverts. The first quote submitted was from KLB Construction for \$14,600, which would include rock and removal of the existing structure. The second quote was from Rural Asphalt for \$21,860 with an additional \$5600 for paving. The third quote was from McAlister Excavating for \$25,000. The fourth quote was submitted by Sedam Contracting for \$10,000 with an additional \$2800 for paving. The second location for box culvert installation is Blake Road. The first quote was submitted by KLB Construction for \$27,900. Rural Asphalts bid was \$38,275 with an additional \$6300 for paving. The third quote was from McAlister Excavating for \$45,000. The fourth quote submitted was from Sedam Contracting for \$17,500 and \$2800 for paving. Commissioner Norbert Schafer made a motion to accept both bids from Sedam Contracting for both projects. Commissioner Robert Little seconded the motion. Motion passed 3/0. In other business, Commissioner David Bramer discussed the Park and Ride location in Hanover, which was also a bid submitted by Sedam Contracting. Commissioner Norbert Schafer made a motion to accept the bid from Sedam Contracting for \$11,850 for the Park and Ride to be located in Hanover. Commissioner Robert Little seconded the motion. Motion passed 3/0.

**Troy Morgan, EMA-** Jefferson County EMA participated in a State exercise at Muscatatuck Park last weekend. Troy stated that the exercise was successful. Troy Morgan also stated that the Jefferson County Local Emergency Planning Committee will host a tabletop exercise at Deputy Elementary School on October 11 at 6:30pm. The exercise is intended to stimulate discussion of various systems needed to guide the prevention of, response to, and recovery from an event.

In other business, Commissioner Norbert Schafer attended the RDA Meeting last Friday with County representative Kevin Kellems. The meeting was held at Hanover College and had representatives from five counties to discuss ideas for regional development.

Commissioner David Bramer announced the upcoming Jail Committee meeting, which will be held on August 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss details on location and finances. Commissioner Bramer also provided an update for the evaluation of a new comprehensive plan for the County. He hopes that an RFP will be prepared and sent out at the end of August.

Commissioner Norbert Schafer made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Robert Little seconded the motion. Motion passed 3/0.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sherry Eblen, Auditor

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David Bramer, President

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Norbert Schafer, Member

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Robert Little, Member