

**Minutes**  
**Fountain County Commissioners**  
**February 2, 2015**  
**8:30 A.M.**

The Fountain County Commissioners met on February 2, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. with the following members present:  
 Don Hesler, Craig Stalter and Tim Shumaker.

No Public Comment

**DECLARE 4-H PROMOTION WEEK**

4-H is the youth development program of our nation's Cooperative Extension System.

Learn more about how 4-H youth development programs help America's youth gain valuable academic, leadership, and life skills and create opportunities for youth to take on challenging responsibilities in community service projects and more.

Extension Agent, Courtney Stierwalt came in with several 4-H kids to share with the commissioners what they enjoy most about 4-H and what they have learned in the process. The following members were: Alisa Doss, Peyt Shumaker, Hailey Harmeson and Kendall Shumaker.

A motion was made by Craig Stalter and seconded by Tim Shumaker to declare February 2-6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 4-H week. Vote: 3-0

**Minutes**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Craig Stalter to approve the minutes of the January 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. As presented. Vote: 3-0

**Claims # 1-156, Monthly Claims and Payroll Claims**

A motion was made by Craig Stalter and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve all of the claims. Vote: 3-0

**Department Head Reports**

**Ambulance - Garth Kagels**

The lease for their copier is ending soon. He will bring some recommendations to the next meeting.

The new ambulance is ordered. Also, the 2011 ambulance that was rear ended in December is at Jeffrey's Auto Shop in Attica.

**Emergency Management - Joe Whitaker**

He reported that he was able to pass out around 50 radios to the Newtown area residents. On March 2-6<sup>th</sup>, the District 4 will be having a full scale exercise on the 4-H grounds to set up a base camp for practice. The new light tower will be there for anyone to come see.

Don Hesler asked if there were any grants available for the courthouse elevator. He replied that he needs a cost amount to try for a "project grant".

**Assessor - Sandy Whitaker**

She came to the meeting to answer any questions that the commissioners had about the additional funds she had requested.

Reassessment '15

Fund Name: Contractual Services

1188-0000-33130

\$85,000.00

A motion was made by Craig Stalter and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the additional appropriation request. Vote: 3-0

**Highway - Bud Peach**

He received the inspection manual back from Butler, Fairman & Seufert and it included an acknowledgement page for the commissioners to sign. There are 37 bridges that need work with an estimated \$500-\$1,000 worth of work for each one. He stated that he will probably be asking for additional funds to take care of the issues with the bridges.

The bridge on 800 East has been started on already and there are 3 more bridges that he would like to get worked on this year. The commissioners asked for a list of what he plans to work on first and which bridges are the worst.

A motion was made by Craig Stalter and seconded by Tim Shumaker to accept all bids for Gravel, Stone and Rip Rap that were received on January 19, 2015.

Vote: 3-0

**Purdue Extension - Courtney Stierwalt**

Courtney informed the Commissioners that Cheryl Carlson will be retiring soon and they have advertised for her position. They are hoping to get someone hired by the end of March. The deadline for the applicants is February 13, 2015.

**Veteran Service Officer - Max Morgan**

The Veteran Service department is short on flags. He will be needing around \$700 to get what they need. He is hoping that people will reuse them year after year to avoid the extra cost.

**BIS-Digital-Contract Renewal**

A motion was made by Craig Stalter and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the Contract Renewal.

Vote: 3-0

(Last contract was signed 1/13/2014 for a start date of 2/4/2014. Ending date for that contract was 2/3/15).

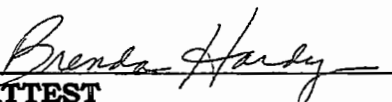
**Internet**

Usage of the internet was brought up and a discussion about possibly invoking a policy for the employees. Daniel Askren is going to look at the current employee handbook regarding internet usage and make some recommendations.

**Well Ordinance - Daniel Askren**

After review of the Well Ordinance- the public spoke their opinion about the draft of the Ordinance. The public feels that a few points need to be reworded to be clearer. Daniel is going to look it over and change a few things to clarify a few items of concern.

**The Next Meeting Will Be Tuesday,  
February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 6:30pm**

  
ATTEST

