

Owen County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
Courthouse 60 S. Main Street Spencer, IN 47460
Monday June 2, 2008 9:00 a.m.

Present: Wiley Truesdel, Steve Redenbaugh, Steve Williamson

Guests: Michael Stanley, Martha Shedd, Sheila Reeves, Chester H. Richardson III, Cris Lunsford, R. L. Taylor, Wally DeFord, Bill Bryan

MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

IN THE MATTER OF THE MINUTES OF MAY 19, 2008

Mr. Williamson moved to approve the minutes May 19, 2008. Mr. Redenbaugh seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS ADVERTISED FOR PAYMENT DATED JUNE 2, 2008

Steve Williamson moved to approve the claims dated June 2, 2008. Steve Redenbaugh seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT—Speaking Wiley Truesdel

Mr. Truesdel stated the Highway Garage needs a mower and asked permission for them to go before the Council to request a transfer if the money needed is not in the same series so it can be transferred.

Also, he reported the County Garage employees will be working 10 hours per day, 4 days per week in order to accomplish more work in one day and perhaps save fuel costs. This was done last summer and proved to be worthwhile. Ms. Lawson stated that the checks for highway employees will be picked up on Thursday afternoon between 3 and 4 p.m., but the checks will not be cashed till Friday. The first time someone cashes a check early they will not be allowed to have checks before Friday. Mr. Truesdel commented the employees have been given this information.

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT REQUEST FOR AN INCREASE IN FEES—Speaking Sheila Reeves

Ms. Reeves presented Ordinance 2008-16 which amends Ordinances 2007-33 and 2007-34 by adding under Adult Immunizations PHELEBOTOMY (Blood Draws) by Dr. Orders Only. The new fee will be \$35.00 per test. Mr. Williamson asked if this was a state mandated service and what the Health Board thought about it. Ms. Reeves replied Owen County Health Officer Dr. Mark Schuld wants this service implemented as a possible revenue source and that the Health Board approved presenting this Ordinance to the Commissioners at a recent Health Board meeting. Also there is a \$2.00 increase for child immunizations.

Mr. Williamson moved that Ordinance 2008-16 to increase child immunizations by \$2.00 and add a new service of PHELEBOTOMY at a cost of \$35.00 per draw based on a Doctor's order be approved by the Commissioners on the recommendation of the Health Board. Mr. Redenbaugh seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. (Motion # 66)

IN THE MATTER OF ATTORNEY UPDATES—Speaking Attorney Richard Lorenz

a. Discussion regarding Armory—The transfer of the deed from the National Guard to the Commissioners took place May 28. The documents are being filed with the County and the Work Session to discuss potential uses for the building is scheduled for June 3.

b. Credit Card payments from Govt. Exp.—tabled till more information can be acquired

c. Insurance issue with 3 buildings at the Highway Garage per Insurance Services—there are two pole frame buildings each valued at \$14,000 and a 6,000 gallon capacity fuel tank valued at \$40,000 that need to be added to the County Insurance Policy. Mr. Lorenz recommended that they be added to the policy.

Steve Redenbaugh moved to approve adding the two buildings each valued at \$14,000 with one being 1500 square feet and the other 1800 square feet and the 6,000 gallon capacity fuel tank valued at \$40,000 to the County Insurance Policy for approximately \$25.00. Wiley Truesdel seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-1 with Mr. Williamson voting no. He was opposed to the fuel tank portion of the motion. (Motion # 67)

d. Letter to Collection Co. of America regarding AT&T billing that is delinquent from Jail—this continues to be a work in progress. He is also working on getting an old bill to Sam's Club paid.

e. Coal City Issue—Mr. Lorenz reported he had a conversation with County Sanitarian John Reeves concerning an inspection at Coal City that did not go well. Notices will be issued to all residents in that area concerning water contamination.

IN THE MATTER OF OPENING BIDS FOR COURTHOUSE ROOFING PROJECT

There were 4 bids submitted for the roofing project.

1. Royalty Companies of Indiana Inc., Seymour, Indiana--\$67,303—bid bond check enclosed
2. Building Associates, Inc., Bloomington, Indiana--\$76,645.00—bid bond provided
3. Pell's Roofing, Brazil, Indiana--\$63,310 and second bid of \$68,073—no bid bond
4. Sentry Roofing, Covington, Indiana--\$91,805.00--bid bond provided

The Commissioners took the bids under advisement and will award the contract at the next meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Mr. Redenbaugh moved to discontinue the open basketball sessions at the Armory by the public. Although this is something he does not want to do, it is necessary because the County would be liable if someone got hurt. Mr. Williamson also stated he would like to be able to have the open basketball but the liability factor was too great and seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. (Motion # 68)

Mr. Redenbaugh requested that the regularly scheduled Monday June 16 meeting be changed to June 23. By consensus the meeting will be changed.

IN THE MATTER OF A REQUEST FOR MOWING—Speaking Bob Taylor

Mr. Taylor requested he be allowed to mow at the Landfill and County Home by June 14. Wiley will check with Larry Abrams at the Highway Department because he may have already given permission to the person who mowed last year. Mr. Truesdel asked if he only got the landfill would that make a difference and Mr. Taylor replied he would like to have both landfills and the County Home. Wiley stated the Patricksburg Landfill had not been promised and he will contact Larry about the other two areas. He will then call Bob.

Steve Williamson moved to allow Mr. Taylor to mow the Landfill at Patricksburg. Steve Redenbaugh seconded the motion and clarifying that Mr. Taylor can mow all 3 properties if not already promised to someone else by Larry Abrams. Motion passed 3-0. (Motion #69)

IN THE MATTER OF A GRANT THAT NEEDS SIGNATURES FOR THE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT—Speaking Donna McElroy

Steve Williamson moved to sign the grant for Community Corrections for 2008 as requested by Ms. McElroy. Steve Redenbaugh seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. (Motion # 70)

IN THE MATTER OF REMARKS BY EMS DIRECTOR CRIS LUNSFORD

Mr. Lunsford reported that the State has implemented 800 MHz secure radio system and there are several radios in the EMS with some on the way. At the last meeting the Commissioners appointed Jack White to be the person authorized to work with other fire departments concerning frequencies.

Mr. Lunsford reported that he recently returned from a Medicare Seminar and there may be some changes in EMS collecting Medicare.

He also reported that there has been about \$4,000 in truck repairs during the last month.

IN THE MATTER OF A LIBRARY APPOINTMENT

Malinda Harris recently resigned from the Library Board.

Steve Williamson moved to appoint Dodie Schinske to fulfill the current term ending August 7, 2010. Steve Redenbaugh seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. (Motion # 71)

IN THE MATTER OF AN UPDATE FROM INSURANCE SERVICES—Speaking Wally DeFord

Mr. DeFord thanked the Commissioners for adding those buildings to the insurance and for inviting him to the Ceremony last week when the Commissioners acquired the Armory.

Mr. DeFord stated to the Commissioners regarding an earlier comment made by Mr. Lorenz that Ms. Lawson received inquires about insurance claims concerning the Sheriff's Department and she would have no way of knowing particular information about a department away from the Courthouse. He stated he has no problem with contacting the Department Head about such inquires for claims, specifically EMS, Highway, or Sheriff.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

Steve Williamson moved to adjourn. Steve Redenbaugh seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Wiley Truesdel

Steve Williamson

Attest: _____
Angie Lawson, Auditor

Steve Redenbaugh