
Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session
April 18, 2023

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on April 18, 2023, at 4:45 p.m. at the North Annex Meeting Room.

Prayer was led by President Montgomery followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: President Kenneth Montgomery, Vice-President, Nick Burns and Commissioner Warren Fleetwood

MINUTES: The minutes from the April 4, 2023, meeting were approved as presented. Commissioner Fleetwood motioned to approve minutes, seconded by Commissioner Burns. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

CLAIMS: Total Claims Presented on 4/18/2023 were \$1,103,119.84. Commissioner Burns motioned to approve claims, seconded by Commissioner Fleetwood. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

Clerk/Treasurer Reports were acknowledged by the Commissioners.

Department Reports

Sheriff Vanoven told Commissioners they are going to receive ten new cars; eight of the ten will be paid with ARPA money; he thanked Commissioners for allowing this purchase.

COMMISSIONERS OLD BUSINESS

Update on Jail Project – Owner’s Representative George Ballard told Commissioners they are exploring solar options for the new jail. They cannot put it onto the jail roof, but it could be an option for the Sheriff’s office and the 911 Center. The gas meter has been relocated, they are working on the project’s foundation and the live camera is up and running.

LPA – INDOT Agreement & Approve Advertising for Bids – County Engineer Holden told Commissioners the County has been awarded the Community Crossings Matching Grant in the amount of \$1,000,000, which is the max again this year. He would like to advertise for paving bids. He explained they will not be allowed to award the bids until the LPA agreement is received, approved, and signed. He hopes to present the agreement at the next meeting and open bids at the 2nd meeting in May. South Main will be a part of this project, as the City of Princeton will partner in this project. Commissioner Fleetwood motioned to approve bid advertisement, seconded by Commissioner Burns. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

Bridge #74 Supplement No. 1 – County Engineer Holden provided this supplement to Commissioners and told them this project is the federal aid bridge located near the Wheeling Covered Bridge; the supplement is a change that nets out to zero. Commissioner Fleetwood motioned to approve Supplement No. 1 to Bridge #74, seconded by Commissioner Burns. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

Tri-State Painting – Chief Deputy Ballard has been helping Sheriff Vanoven with this project. He says they have been noticing pieces of the paint flaking off; the job is only about 6 years old. They have received an estimated cost of repairs to be \$7,500; another company quoted the project, but it came under

budget. After close examination of the low estimate, it was found they did not include all the problem panels. Danco feels the panels should be removed and completely redone; they also feel the paint should have held up for 20 years, thus they feel it was done incorrectly in the beginning. Commissioner Fleetwood has spoken with Tri-State Painting; Tri-State Painting representatives feel moisture is causing the problem. Commissioner Fleetwood told him they did not want to throw paint over a problem; they want this problem repaired correctly. Tri-State Painting agreed to send an industrial specialist to look at the root of the problem. Commissioner Fleetwood says Tri-state Painting will work with the industrial specialist and Andy Schafer on this matter to remedy the problem. They figured one week for this repair. Commissioners have the \$7,500 to make these repairs. Commissioner Fleetwood requested Commissioners approve Tri-State Painting to repair the moisture damage and exterior painting on the jail. George Ballard requested that Andy notify the Sheriff's office anytime they find a problem, so they are kept in the loop. Commissioner Fleetwood motioned to move forward with Tri-State Painting, seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

Courthouse Sidewalk Bids – Attorney Spindler opened the sidewalk bids.

Parker Excavating \$318,765
Titan Construction \$181,700

Attorney Spindler recommends this be taken under advisement so he and Andy can discuss the bids. Commissioner Fleetwood motioned to take the bids under advisement, seconded by Commissioner Burns. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

COMMISSIONERS NEW BUSINESS

Owensville Montgomery Township Fire Protection Board Replacement – Billy Ross came before the Commissioners to express an interest in this position, as he lives in Owensville. Commissioner Montgomery motioned to approve Billy Ross as a replacement on this board, seconded by Commissioner Fleetwood. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

Major Medical Leave (1) was approved by the Commissioners with a motion from Commissioner Fleetwood seconded by Commissioner Burns. The vote was 3-0.


Chamber of Commerce – Director Vanoven reminded everyone of the CEO Workshop on May 17, 2023 at the Princeton Library.

Gibson County Clean-up Week – Commissioner Burns encouraged everyone to get out and clean up Gibson County!


With no further discussions, Commissioner Burns motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Fleetwood. The vote to adjourn is 3-0.

Minutes from the April 18, 2023 Meeting.


Kenneth Montgomery, President


Nick Burns, Vice President


Warren Fleetwood, Commissioner


ATTEST: Mike Watkins, Auditor