
Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
December 20, 2022

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on December 20, 2022, at 5:00 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, Mary B. Key and Commissioner Warren Fleetwood

MINUTES: The minutes from the December 6, 2022, meeting were approved as presented. Commissioner Key motioned to approve minutes, seconded by Commissioner Fleetwood. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

CLAIMS:

SURPLUS TAX, TAX SALE REDEMPTION, DITCH	\$48,540.22
SETTLEMENT	\$20,154,376.60
LIT & FIT	\$667,799.20
CVET & ED PLATE DISTRIBUTION 12/13/2022	\$209,501.75
TAX INTERCEPT	\$2,625.37
WHEEL SURTAX DISTRIBUTION	\$117,437.34
STATE FALL SETTLEMENT	\$755,243.30
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$13,044.74
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$146,354.97
PAYROLL	\$394,241.92
SCHOLARSHIP FUND	\$11,695.00
MISCELLANEOUS CLAIMS	\$1,580.46
INSURANCE CLAIMS	\$345,882.80
COUNTY GENERAL	\$266,815.93
HIGHWAY	\$673,632.90
SHERIFF	\$6,727.97
ACH	\$167,589.28
CAW-1	\$66,212.61
CAW-2	\$8,174.16

Total Claims Presented on 12/20/2022: \$\$24,057,476.52
Commissioner Fleetwood motioned to approve claims presented for payment, seconded by Commissioner Key. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Clerk Report was acknowledged by Commissioners.

COMMISSIONERS OLD BUSINESS

Jail Update - Owner's Representative George Ballard told Commissioners they are busy digging dirt and concrete from the jail area; 218 dump trucks of brick and concrete have been delivered to the highway department for erosion control. They are making 8-9 trips per day to dump this debris, instead of running it to Mt. Vernon, thereby saving some money. In January they should start drilling the 500 or so compaction piers.

Purchase of Ground – Attorney Spindler told Commissioners a member of the Hudson Children Family Trust, Ron Hudson, is present. The bid notice has run in the newspaper and proper notice was given to adjoining property owners. This is a parcel of county owned property approximately 16’ wide by ¼ mile long; in which one bid, meeting the minimum requirement of \$1500, was received from the Hudson Children Family Trust. Commissioner Fleetwood asked if there had been any issues with this property. Ron Hudson told Commissioners, the parcel was discovered when his father passed, and they were going thru the process of clearing titles to all the land. He stated this lane had been used by them since 1966; there are no issues with any of the neighbors. Commissioner Key motioned to transfer to Hudson Children Family Trust for \$1500, seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. The vote was 3-0.

E-REP 2023 Contract – Commissioner Fleetwood would like to hold off on approving this contract until E-REP can give a presentation, possibly in January 2023. Tami Hack is present, and she feels E-REP would be happy to come and give another presentation. Tami says they have a long history of working with the county on grants as well as the City of Princeton. She also stated that 8 of the approximately 40 board members are from Gibson County. She will work to get them to a commissioner’s meeting in January. This is tabled until January

Asset Management Policy – A draft has been circulated by Attorney Spindler, but he recommends it be tabled until he can discuss this with Commissioners in more detail. On 12/29/22, this will be brought back to the Commissioners for approval.

COMMISSIONERS NEW BUSINESS

Meeting Dates and Times for 2023 –. Attorney Spindler, says the next meeting would normally be January 3, 2023, but he recommended the first meeting be delayed until January 10, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. where Commissioners will then set all subsequent meeting dates and times.

Bids – The County advertised for bids for gravel, stone, materials, and fuel for the first half of 2023. Only 1 bid for each item was submitted. Mulzer submitted the bid for various stones and gravel with varied prices for picked up and delivery. Wabash Valley Services submitted a bid for varying fuels. Civilcon Materials, Inc submitted a bid for pipes, culverts, etc. Attorney Spindler recommended Commissioners approve all bids pending approval of the County Engineer and Attorney. Commissioner Key motioned to take Attorney Spindler’s recommendation, seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. The vote was 3-0.

Auditor Watkins requested Commissioners to please respond to his email regarding the Security Policy.

Major Medical Leave (2) - was approved by the Commissioners with a motion from Commissioner Key seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. The vote was 3-0.

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

Minutes from the December 20, 2022, Meeting.

Kenneth Montgomery, President

Mary B. Key, Vice President

Warren Fleetwood, Commissioner

ATTEST: Mike Watkins, Auditor

