

THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2013 AT 9:30 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE NORMAN VOYLES, BRIAN GOSS, AND DON ADAMS. BRENDA ADAMS, MORGAN COUNTY AUDITOR; DEB VERLEY, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT; AND PETE FOLEY, COUNTY ATTORNEY, WERE ALSO PRESENT.

NORMAN VOYLES ASKED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

NORMAN VOYLES CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

PUBLIC HEARING – *Petition to Vacate*

Norman Voyles opened the public hearing and stated that at the last meeting the Board received a Petition to Vacate a public way in the unincorporated town of Waverly; all of Main Street as platted and as currently exists, extending west from the intersection of Wetzel Street and all platted alleyways or public ways located on Wetzel's Second Addition to the Town of Waverly. The county owns the real estate on all sides and there are no other land owners abutting the portions of Main Street or the alleyways. Mr. Voyles asked if there were any comments. There were none. Mr. Voyles closed the public hearing. Pete Foley stated that this is similar to a vacation that was done a few months ago; it's just a different portion of the street. Brian Goss made a motion to waive the second reading of ordinance and approve the Ordinance Vacating a portion of Main Street and Certain Alleyways in the Unincorporated Town of Waverly, Harrison Township, Indiana. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

MALINOWSKI CONSULTING

Charles Malinowski, President of Malinowski Consulting, was present to request approval of a proposal to start monthly expenditure reimbursement claiming in the Magistrate Court for child support activities that are done under the Title IV-D program. Mr. Malinowski stated that he talked with Judge Williams and he is on board. The monthly charge for this service is \$650 and Mr. Malinowski is forecasting a reimbursement of \$1,000 to \$1,200 per month. If the Board does not feel that the county is recouping enough to justify the expense, Mr. Malinowski will report that and the agreement can be voided with a 30 day notice. Don Adams made a motion to approve the agreement. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

CONGRATULATIONS

Don Adams announced that he had received notice that Sophia Marie Adams, his third grandchild, was now on the scene. The Board offered their congratulations.

REZONE REQUEST – *Marker B1 to B3*

Norman Voyles stated that Gary Marker has requested that property on the north east side of Paragon be rezoned from B1 to B3. Kenny Hale, Morgan County Plan Commission Director, stated that the Plan Commission gave the request a favorable recommendation. Mr. Hale stated that the property used to be a restaurant with a bar but it has been more than six months and the grandfathering clause was no longer in effect. The property is under new ownership. Brian Goss made a motion to grant the request from B1 to B3. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

CONSIGNMENT CONNECTION

Norman Voyles stated that there has been some discussion regarding the sale of highway trucks and equipment through an internet auction and introduced Kevin Williams with Consignment Connection. Mr. Williams stated that they are the representative for Auction Time in the state of Indiana. It is owned by Sand Hills Publishing. Auction Time is printed weekly and it goes to 28 different countries. People can go online and bid on the equipment and there is a live auction on Tuesdays. Consignment Connection will also advertise locally in order to get an optimum return on the equipment. There are no upfront fees; they charge 8% of the sale price. They will take video and pictures, gather information about the equipment, and put the information online. Pete Foley stated that he would have to review the statute regarding the sale of county property to see if the auction would meet all the legal requirements. Brian Goss stated that they could possibly get more money out of the equipment if they were able to put it on the auction. Mr. Foley asked how fees are collected. Mr. Williams stated that they collect within 72 hours and disburse the funds. Brian Goss stated that he wanted to make sure that the auction met all legal aspects and made a motion to table the issue. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

CDBG GRANT - DR1HB-011-024

Kenny Hale stated that this is a state – local agreement between the county and the Indiana Housing Authority for a CDBG matching grant for six houses. Mr. Hale stated that he had another grant with six houses and there was some confusion between the two grants. He appealed a denial through FEMA that was eventually approved and the six houses were added as alternates. Don Adams made a motion to approve the grant. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

APPOINTMENT – Morgantown Buffer Zone

Norman Voyles stated that the term for the appointments that were made in December of 2007 for the Morgantown buffer zone expired in 2011 but no new appointments were made. In January of 2012 the Morgantown Plan Commission made appointments. Mr. Voyles talked to the chairman of the Morgantown Town Council and proposed that the Commissioners affirm these appointments and make them retroactive to January of 2012. The four-year term would expire on December 31, 2015. Don Adams made a motion to approve the appointment of Russell Ericson and Norman Stockton to the Morgantown buffer zone. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES

Don Adams made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 22 and February 4, 2013 meetings. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

INCIDENT CLAIMS / TORT CLAIMS

Don Adams made a motion to submit the Standeford and Meyerman Incident claims and Ellis and Boruff tort claims to the insurance company. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

SHERIFF / JAIL UPDATE

Dave Rogers, Morgan County Jail Commander filling in for the Morgan County Sheriff, reported that there are 305 inmates at the jail, 8 inmates are on work release, 19 inmates on the jail corrections crew, and 20 DOC inmates. There have been 1,022 law enforcement calls, and 1,776 CAD calls.

HIGHWAY UPDATE

Jimmy Waggoner, Acting Highway Superintendent, stated that crews are finishing a culvert on Low Gap Road and have been cutting trees and brush, and patching roads.

ENGINEER UPDATE

Larry Smith, Morgan County Highway Engineer, stated that there were six bidders for the HSIP sign project through the state. The engineer’s estimate was \$500,800. The high bid was over \$749,000 and the low bid was \$451,691.50 by Action Traffic Maintenance. The bidders were state certified. This is a federal grant and the county will pay 10% of the cost. Don Adams made a motion to approve the low bid. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Smith stated that the construction inspection for the sign project is \$67,700 through R. W. Armstrong. Norman Voyles asked if there will be an inventory on a disc or list that will have every sign and the location. Mr. Smith stated that there will be and there is a software program that will tell when the sign was installed or replaced. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the construction inspection. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Don Adams made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

Morgan County Board of Commissioners

Norman Voyles

Brian Goss

Attest:

Brenda Adams, Morgan Co. Auditor

Don Adams