

THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, MARCH 4, 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.

CDBG GRANT AWARD – #DR1HB-011-026

Kenny Hale stated that this is a matching grant to the 1832 Johnson Hazard Mitigation Grant. The funds will be used to purchase a single home on Dillman Road. Mr. Hale is planning on using only \$59,778 of the \$100,000 grant. Mr. Hale stated that the home was heavily damaged in the 2008 flood and was rehabilitated but then was vandalized. Don Adams made a motion to approve the grant. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

REQUEST TO USE COURTHOUSE SQUARE

Bob Elliott, treasurer of the Morgan County Farmer's Market, was present to request the use of the Courthouse Square for the Farmer's Market. Mr. Elliott thanked the Board of Commissioners for supporting the market by letting the organization use the square in the past. Mr. Elliott stated that this year they are going to try to add a market café every other week and will have a community yard sale twice during the year in order to raise funds for their programs. The market will begin on May 4th and run through October 5th. Don Adams made a motion to approve the request. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

RFP REQUIREMENTS

Norman Voyles stated that Page 1 of the RFP for the Energy Efficiency Improvements lists requirements for "in-house" services. Mr. Voyles stated that this might be too restrictive and suggested removing this requirement. Page 3 lists a date of April 1 to submit proposals and Mr. Voyles suggested changing this to April 15th in order to allow firms more time. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the changes in the RFP. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

CONSIGNMENT CONNECTION

Norman Voyles stated that this issue regarding the sale of trucks and equipment through an internet auction was tabled from the last meeting. Pete Foley stated that the site must be approved by the Office of Technology, which is a state agency and there must also be a publication in the newspaper. Brian Goss stated that he thought this service would be of benefit for the county and it would still allow local businesses and residents to bid on the items. Mr. Goss stated that they might use the service only once every three or four years. Norman Voyles stated that some of the bigger equipment hasn't brought much of a price at the local auction of county equipment. Brian Goss made a motion to proceed with the internet auction for the sale of surplus highway equipment, provided that the requirements of the Indiana Code are met. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

COMCAST AGREEMENT

Norman Voyles stated that the Administration Building and Courthouse use Scican for internet service and they will be shutting down the service soon. Joel Johnson, Data Administration, has contacted Comcast and received a quote to provide service for approximately the same price (\$400 per month). Don Adams stated that he would like to run this by the Data Board and they are meeting next Wednesday. Mr. Adams asked if Comcast was comparable to the current service and what other providers were available. Don Adams made a motion to accept the contract pending review by the Data Board. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

Joel Johnson, Data Administration, stated that he checked with LightBound and AT&T and both were more expensive. The service from Comcast would also include cable television. Don Adams moved to rescind the previous motion and moved to go ahead and approve the agreement. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2013 meeting. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

ROAD NAME

Kenny Hale presented Antioch Drive as a road name for an existing private road off of North Antioch Road in Monroe Township. Don Adams made a motion to approve the road name. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

FLOOD BUYOUT

Kenny Hale presented spreadsheets showing the money spent in purchasing properties that were flooded in the 2008 flood. Mr. Hale stated that county funds of \$500,000 were matched with CDBG funds.

CLAIMS

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the monthly claims totaling \$918,541.78. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

SHERIFF / JAIL UPDATE

Robert Downey, Morgan County Sheriff, reported that there are 314 inmates at the jail, 252 male and 62 female. There are 27 DOC inmates; 24 male, 3 female; 11 inmates are on work release, 10 male and 1 female; 17 inmates on the jail corrections crew; 12 males and 5 female. There have been 1,393 law enforcement calls, and 2,450 CAD calls. The Sheriff’s Office has received 3,468 911 calls; last year there were 31,394 calls - 7,628 of those were from land lines.

ENGINEER UPDATE

Larry Smith, Morgan County Highway Engineer, stated that INDOT has finally provided purchase orders for the Federal Highway funds for the 2008 flood. The highway department has approximately \$155,200 in claims to submit. Mr. Smith stated that the department needs a new Gradal and he would like to see the funds go toward this. Brian Goss made a motion to allow the engineer to request an additional appropriation from the Council for the Gradal. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Smith stated that he received approval to sign the construction engineering agreement for the HSIP Sign Project. Mr. Smith stated that the agreement is with R. W. Armstrong. Brian Goss made a motion to sign the agreement. Motion seconded by Norman Voyles. Motion carried 3-0.

COMMENTS

Gerry McGrath asked if they could find out how many of the 911 calls were actual emergencies and not children playing on the phone, misdials, or “cat in the tree” calls. Norman Voyles stated that they could ask for that information.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Morgan County Board of Commissioners

Norman Voyles

Brian Goss

Attest:

Brenda Adams, Morgan Co. Auditor

Don Adams