

# Benton County Commission

August 08, 2017

## Convene

Presiding Commissioner Michelle McLerran Kreisler called the meeting of the Benton County Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 8, 2017 at the Board Room. Attendance: Dale Jr. Estes, Present: Jim Hansen, Present: Michelle McLerran Kreisler, Present.

## Approval of Prior Minutes

District 2 Commissioner Jim Hansen made the motion to approve prior minutes dated 8/1/17, District 1 Commissioner Dale Jr. Estes seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Dale Jr. Estes (Yes), Jim Hansen (Yes), and Michelle McLerran Kreisler (Yes).

## Road Vacation - Mockingbird Hill Subdivision

Attorney Jeremiah Mosley met with the commission concerning a petition to vacate a ten feet wide strip off of the northerly side of Lots 6 and 15, dedicated for a roadway to the community well in Mockingbird Hill Subdivision. Landowners Joyce Sims, Jenny Talley, William Talley, Rena Konopasek, Fred Johnson, and Chris Jones were also present. One landowner spoke to commissioners opposing this vacation, stating that this area is necessary to negotiate a corner; the landowner requesting the vacation indicated that maintenance of this area has been her sole responsibility. Commissioners will visit this property before a final decision is reached.

## E-911

E-911 Director Susan Canfield, Project Manager Mark Grenoble, and Dispatcher Kim Eledge met with commissioners to discuss an incident that occurred at the board meeting held on August 2, 2017.

## Congresswoman Vicky Hartzler

Rachel Gilroy, field representative with Congresswoman Vicky Hartzler, met with commissioners to obtain information pertaining to 2015 flood damage and reimbursement from FEMA that is still pending.

## Procom

Procom representative, Jim McNaron, met with the commission to present information on a Federal Communications Commission license that was issued in 2014 that is no longer in use; he was instructed by commissioners to cancel this license agreement.

## Treasurer and County Clerk Reports

The treasurer gave his weekly financial report; the county clerk submitted bills for approval and payment.

## County Recorder

County Recorder Beverly Burnett met with the commission to inform them of the civil court summons that she has received. She indicated that a suit has been filed against her and the Circuit Clerk by 3 residents of the former Benton County Sewer District, siting that the liens that were filed on their property on behalf of the Benton County Sewer District was unlawful. Legal counsel was contacted for information; Mrs. Burnett will continue to correspond with the attorney in this matter.

### **Polk Street**

A taxpayer met with commissioners to express concerns on the condition of Polk Street.

### **Architect RFQ's**

Commissioners discussed the special meeting of the Jail Planning Committee that was held on Thursday, August 3, 2017, at 6 p.m., at the Warsaw-Lincoln Ambulance building in Warsaw. The purpose of this meeting was to interview prospective architect firms for the construction of a new jail. Three firms submitted qualification information and were interviewed at that time. These firms were Goldberg Group, LLC; Shive-Hattery, Inc.; and HMN Architects. Various contacts were made by commissioners in open session today, in order to reach a decision. Discussion will continue in this matter.

### **Commissioners Absent from Courthouse Office**

Commissioners then left the Courthouse office to view the proposed road vacation area in Mockingbird Hill Subdivision.

### **Adjournment**

District 1 Commissioner Dale Jr. Estes Ordered that the commission adjourn until 8/10/2017. Jim Hansen seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Dale Jr. Estes (Yes), Jim Hansen (Yes), Michelle McLerran Kreisler (Yes). Meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

### **Signatures**

  
Michelle McLerran Kreisler  
Presiding Commissioner