

**JENNINGS COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 27, 2018 6:30 P.M.**

The meeting opened with Matt Sporleder leading the pledge to the flag.

The meeting opened with Mike Eastman coming before the Council about the damage to his right front wheel rim and tire due to there being no berm on the road. Mr. Eastman stated he was out on O & M and 200 North and there was a car in the middle of the road so he had to get over and he got caught in the dip and caused the damage to his tire and rim. Mr. Eastman is asking for reimbursement from the County in the amount of \$600 which was the bill from Miller Tire.

Matt Sporleder asked Mr. Eastman to give the bill to Sherri Williams, highway clerk, to send to the county's insurance company for review.

Next Nicci Lucas, HR Director, addressed the Commissioners concerning an amendment to the Handbook Policy Manual concerning the firearm policy for non law enforcement employees. It states that initial training will include 8 hours for Firearms Training and must pass a handgun qualification shoot. Also 4 hours of Use of Force Training and 2 hours of Firearms Scenario Based Training. There will be Bi Annual Training – Each employee is required to fire two qualifying scores each year with their on duty weapon. Handgun training and Recertification and must pass a handgun qualification shoot. Minimum qualification requirements will be 80% to 100% for handguns. All employees will report to the range for firearms training and qualifications as assigned. Only the firearms instructor or the sheriff may grant an excused absence. Absences will be made up at a later date. All employees who carry a firearm in their course of employment for Jennings County must attend an authorized shooting range and fire the prescribed courses established by the department firearms instructor. The employees must qualify with the firearms they carry.

Bob Willhite made a motion to approve the amendment to the handbook; Dave Lane seconded the motion and Matt Sporleder made it unanimous. Motion passed.

Next Roger Taylor asked to speak to the Commissioners about the jail project. Mr. Taylor said he is currently the Vernon Twp. Trustee and is in his 3<sup>rd</sup> term. Mr. Taylor listed the Commissioners and Council members who built the current jail and annex and said he knew all of them and also knew they had no intention of hurting the county but believed in what they did in constructing the jail and annex. On the same note he believes that of the current Council and Commissioners that they want to do what is best for the county. Mr. Taylor stated it was time to quit bickering back and forth and move forward and to support our Commissioners and Council. Matt Sporleder thanked Mr. Taylor for his kind words and encouragement that was a welcome change.

Next on the agenda was Barb Galliher with the Jennings County Youth Foundation. Mrs. Galliher stated that she had been with the foundation for 8 years and this year she is President and is learning lots. Mrs. Galliher came to request the Community Building on December 15<sup>th</sup> for the Affordable Christmas. Mrs. Galliher would request the fee to be waived so that all monies raised can be used to buy things needed for the children. She stated on November 3<sup>rd</sup> they are doing a hat and glove drive and she noted that this past summer they were able to help feed 800 kids. The Affordable Christmas Program helps parents buy gifts that otherwise would not be possible.

Bob Willhite made a motion to waive the building rental fee for the Jennings County Youth Foundation on December 15<sup>th</sup> for the Affordable Christmas Event. Dave Lane seconded the motion and Matt Sporleder made it unanimous. Motion passed.

Jim Reeves, County Highway Superintendent, came to the Commissioners with a letter of commitment for the Community Crossing Grant.

Bob Willhite made a motion to sign the letter of commitment; Dave Lane seconded the motion and Matt Sporleder made it unanimous. Motion passed.

Next Mr. Reeves introduced 6 new Speed Limit Ordinances to the Commissioners.

Regulate the speed limit on Victoria Drive between County Highway 175 North and Terminus to 20 miles per hour.

Regulate the speed limit on Spencer Road between County Highway 175 North and Terminus to 20 miles per hour.

Regulate the speed limit on Deece Drive between County Highway 175 North and Terminus to 20 miles per hour.

Regulate the speed limit on County Highway 800 North between County Highway 500 West and County Highway 600 West to 40 miles per hour.

Regulate the speed limit on County Highway 250 South between State Road 7 and County Highway 275 East to 40 miles per hour.

Regulate the speed limit on County Highway 550 West between County Highway 175 North and County Highway 300 North to 35 miles per hour.

Bob Willhite made a motion to waive the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the 6 speed limit ordinances and Dave Lane seconded the motion with Matt Sporleder making it unanimous. Motion passed.

Bob Willhite made a motion to adopt all 6 speed limit ordinances presented; Dave Lane seconded the motion and Matt Sporleder made it unanimous. Motion passed.

Mary Kilgore, County Clerk, was next and brought some bids for the Commissioners to consider for the security cage and equipment for the voting machines. Ms. Kilgore had two bids from McIntire Alarm Company for cameras and digital equipment and a 2 door access control system totaling \$1,931.79. Ms. Kilgore then presented two bids for the cage materials; Cardinal Integrated Systems proposal of \$2,540 and Cisco-Eagle for \$3,014.34. Ms. Kilgore believes Greg Wilds, County Maintenance Supervisor, liked the Cisco-Eagle proposal best.

Bob Willhite made a motion to allow \$6,674.13 be spent for the security of the voting machines; Dave Lane seconded the motion and Matt Sporleder made it unanimous. Motion passed.

In things to discuss the Koorsen Fire & Security five year agreement was reviewed and found worthy.

Bob Willhite made a motion to sign the agreement for five years with Koorsen for \$4,712.00 annually; Dave Lane seconded the motion and Matt Sporleder made it unanimous. Motion passed.

Matt Sporleder brought up the jail project and revealed a few things that were being discussed between the County Council and the North Vernon City Council. Mr. Sporleder state the City is offering 12 acres off a 16 acre tract for \$5,000 an acre and are willing to pledge a \$100,000 a year support as long as the bond is in place. The offer has been taken under advisement by the jail committee but things seem to be falling into place as far as a site for the new jail goes.

Auditor Vance presented a proposal for a new hand rail on the East side of the Courthouse where a member of Judge Webster's staff fell. Maschino Industries, Inc has given a quote of \$275 to do this work.

Bob Willhite made a motion to accept the quote from Maschino Industries for the hand rail. Dave Lane seconded the motion and Matt Sporleder made it unanimous. Motion passed.

Auditor Vance presented a bill from DLZ for \$2,825.25 for Schematic Design.

Bob Willhite made a motion to pay the bill to DLZ for \$2,825.25; Dave Lane seconded the motion and Matt Sporleder made it unanimous. Motion passed.

Bob Willhite made a motion to approve prior minutes; Dave Lane seconded the motion and Matt Sporleder made it unanimous.

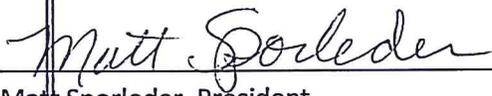
Bob Willhite made a motion to sign payroll and claims; Dave Lane seconded the motion and Matt Sporleder made it unanimous. Motion passed

With no further business, Bob Willhite made a motion to adjourn; Dave Lane seconded the motion and Matt Sporleder made it unanimous. Motion passed.

Attest:



Kay Sue Vance, Auditor



Matt Sporleder, President



Robert Willhite, Vice-President



David Lane