

## **FULTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

July 7, 2014, 9:00 A.M., in the assembly room of the Fulton County Office Building

### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Roger Rose called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Present for this meeting were commissioners Roger Rose, Sherry Fulton and Bryan Lewis. Also present were County Attorney Greg Heller and County Auditor Judy Reed.

### **SHERIFF DEPARTMENT:**

Sheriff Walker Conley presented the monthly Sheriff's reports and Animal Control Report.

Sheriff Conley reported that the insurance company raised the deductible amounts following an accident involving a Sheriff's Department vehicle. Judy Reed said she would check with the insurance company about the matter.

Sheriff Conley spoke about the frequency that cell checks need to be conducted.

### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:**

Rick Ranstead presented a permit from NIPSCO to install 31,500 feet of gas line. Bryan Lewis made the motion to approve the permit as described. Sherry Fulton seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Ranstead spoke about bridge plans that USI uploaded to the INDOT website.

Ranstead presented a copy of the requested Highway budget for 2015 in the amount of \$2,683,859.86.

Ranstead said he met with Brian Spaulding, a representative from Jackie Walorski's office, in regards to the Tippecanoe River road washout and is waiting to hear back from him about funding.

### **ADA DISCUSSION:**

Attorney Greg Heller spoke about the risk allocation clause in the Structure Point contract and the other contracts received for the courthouse. Following some discussion, it was decided to ask the other contractors if they would increase their liability coverage.

### **VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER:**

Aaron Montel, the new Veterans Service Officer, presented his monthly report. Montel said he is working on getting funding for a new van to transport veterans to and from appointments.

### **E.M.A.:**

Dave Tofson discussed issues with the Hazard Mitigation grant for the siren in Delong. Tofson presented a corrected grant for the commissioners to initial.

Tofson presented an Emergency Management Performance Grant for the commissioners' signatures.

Tofson reported that a district team will be here on July 23 to start unloading the assets from trailers parked at the EMA Building. An inventory will be taken and information entered into a new asset tracking system.

Tofson said he will look into getting a grant to help fund a generator for the Highway Department so that the fuel station can still be used in the event of a power outage.

A tentative date of September 12, 2014 was set for holding the county equipment auction.

**E-911:**

Gail Karas presented the monthly E-911 report for June.

Karas spoke about splitting up job responsibilities and going to 12 hour work shifts. Karas said she would like to hire a local part time person to add to her staff.

Karas discussed the upcoming district communications exercise.

**CLAIMS AND PAYROLL:**

The commissioners reviewed payroll and all claims and signed them for payment.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:**

Accident Report Fund:

1101-10100-000-0242	Accident Report Fees	\$1,190.00
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Cum. Cap. Development:

1138-00003-000-0391	Reimburse from Insurance	\$152.54
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Commissioners:

4946-41007-000-0068	Purchase Property	\$120,000.00
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U.S. 31 Corridor Plan:

8113-90900-000-0000	Misc. Distribution	\$3,000.00
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The commissioners reviewed and approved these additional appropriations.

**TRANSFER REQUEST:**

Commissioners:

From

1001-36105-000-0068	Taxes on Leased Property	\$500.00
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To

1001-41007-000-0068	Purchase Property	\$500.00
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Commissioners:

From

1001-31101-000-0068	Legal/Law Suit	\$1,000.00
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To

1001-39800-000-0068	Consultant Fee/Job Functions	\$1,000.00
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The commissioners reviewed and approved these additional appropriations.

**GRANT APPLICATION REQUEST:**

Judy Reed presented a request for grant application from the Health Department to obtain a generator for the annex building.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST:**

Judy Reed presented a request for an extended leave of absence for a Sheriff's Department employee which is to last until August 1. Bryan Lewis made the motion to approve the requested leave of absence. Sherry Fulton seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES:**

Roger Rose referenced the June 16, 2014 commissioner meeting minutes for additions or corrections. Bryan Lewis made the motion to approve the June 16 minutes. Sherry Fulton seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The commissioners inquired on the progress of getting the stored items in the courthouse attic sorted through. A memo will be sent to the department heads reminding them to sort through their things.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There was a discussion on the purchase of a building. It was tabled until the next meeting.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Bryan Lewis said he met with Terry Thornburg from Veridian about the plan for the Old Opera House in Akron and is waiting for a recommendation letter and proposal from him.

Sherry Fulton gave a brief report for the EMS committee.

Roger Rose reported that the old landfill project is coming to a close. Rose said he is meeting with the consultant at the old landfill and the engineers will need to certify that the correct grades have been attained. Rose said they may need additional funds for the old landfill project.

This concluded the business of this meeting of the Fulton County Commissioners. Bryan Lewis made the motion to recess at 10:20 a.m. Sherry Fulton seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Roger D. Rose, President

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Sherry Fulton, Vice-President

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Bryan Lewis, Member

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Judith A. Reed, Fulton County Auditor