

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2016

Pursuant to adjournment comes now the Starke County Board of Commissioners and meet in regular session at 6:00PM in the Annex Meeting Room, Knox, Indiana, with Kathy Norem and Donald Binkley present and the following proceedings were held to wit:

The meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Vice-President Don Binkley at 6:00PM. Commissioner President Kent Danford was absent. The regular session originally scheduled for Monday, October 17th was cancelled and scheduled for today, Thursday, October 13th.

CORONER BUILDING

Commissioner Binkley stated Royal Star Builders had been chosen to build the Coroner's building. Their price quote was for a 24x32x10 foot building in the amount of \$35,000.00. Commissioner Norem noted that the price quote included all the utility hook ups when the other price quote did not. There was a brief discussion in regard to sealing the concrete floor. Tim Miller of Royal Star Builders advised he would include it in the cost bid. He added the note to the price quote. He advised he could lay out the building right away. He stated they would start construction of the building by November 1st and it should be completed by December 1st. Commissioner Norem made a motion to accept Royal Star Builders to build the Coroner's building. Commissioner Binkley seconded the motion and it passed with all ayes. Tony Mildice Maintenance Person at the Jail advised he would oversee the project. It was decided the building would be built in the back of the jail property. Commissioner Norem advised the project should be paid out of the Cumulative Capital Development Fund.

Coroner Danny Hoffer inquired in regard to the invoice he received from Braman & Son Funeral Home in the amount of \$400.00 as to where it should be paid from. Commissioner Norem advised it should be paid out of his budget line # 30202, transportation to move bodies. He advised the expense is costly because he is being charged daily when Marshall County charges for a 24 hour rate. Commissioner Norem advised him to check into it and talk with Chris at Braman's.

AUDITOR'S BUSINESS: MINUTES, PAYROLL CLAIM, VENDOR CLAIMS

Commissioner Norem made a motion to approve the payroll claims docket for the pay period ending on 10/08/2016 with a pay date of 10/14/16 in the total gross amount of \$218,489.65.

Commissioner Binkley seconded the motion and it passed with all ayes. Commissioner Norem made a motion to approve the vendor claims docket in the total gross amount of \$668,738.76. Commissioner Binkley seconded the motion and it passed with all ayes. The minutes of the 9/19/16 meeting could not be approved due to the absent of Commissioner Norem from that meeting and Commissioner Danford being absent from this meeting.

2017 HOLIDAYS APPROVED

Commissioner Norem made a motion to approve the proposed 2017 Holidays but not including Columbus Day. Commissioner Binkley seconded the motion and it passed with all ayes. Commissioner Norem advised the holidays being approved were: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving 2 days, and Christmas 2 days. She also advised the offices will close for lunch on April 26th for Administrative Professional's Day, and October 16th for Boss' Day.

SCREEN FOR JAIL SEPTIC SYSTEM

Tony Mildice, Maintenance Director at the Jail, presented to the Board three price quotes for the purchase of a screen for the Jail's Septic System. It is needed to stop the passage of pieces of garbage from the Inmate's Commissary that blocks the City's Septic System and tears up the use of their equipment. The price quotes received were: Duperon \$77,850.00; JWC Environmental \$91,000.00; DLZ \$130,000.00 to \$165,000.00. Kelly Clemons stated she believed the Duperon screen would work with their septic system. (Sheriff Bill Dulin arrived at the meeting.) Mr. Mildice advised Duperon stated once they receive their down payment check they will begin manufacturing the screen per size needed. He also advised they will need to run electricity out to it which he noted should not be difficult. On Duperson's price quote they had stated if a deposit was paid then the remaining balance would be broken down into six remaining payments. Commissioner Binkley stated he was proposing to pay \$20,000.00 for the screen out of the Cumulative Capital Development Fund and the remaining balance would be paid by the Sheriff out of the Commissary Fund. Sheriff Dulin inquired as to why the balance could not be paid out of the Fund 4919 Fund, the Therapeutic Community Program. He stated there is a \$100,000.00 balance in that fund. Commissioner Norem advised the funds have been appropriated by

the Council to use towards the regular Jail Budget and he will be lucky to receive the adequate funding this year to cover those appropriations. She advised the money is tight. Commissioner Norem made a motion to accept the price quote from Duperon in the amount of \$77,850.00 with a payment to be made of \$20,000.00 from the Cumulative Capital Development Fund and the remainder made in monthly payments from the Sheriff's Commissary Fund. Mr. Mildice advised he was told it could take 8 to 12 weeks to build the screen; and noted it would probably be after the first of the year before they receive it.

Commissioner Norem made a motion to amend the vendor claims docket to include the payment of \$20,000.00 to Duperon thus making the grand total of the docket \$688,738.76. Commissioner Binkley seconded the motion and it passed with all ayes.

Sheriff Dulin stated he would rather have the Coroner's building built up front on the jail property. The Board advised Mr. Miller to check with the Sheriff before staking out the property. Mr. Mildice stated he needed an extra shed for the storage of some of his extra equipment. Council President Freddie Baker stated he thought putting the Coroner's building in the back of the jail property would please the neighbors out in that area.

IN OTHER BUSINESS

Auditor Chaffins inquired if paying the election workers immediately following the election was still in effect and the Board advised it was. They stated they want the election workers paid as soon as possible and not to wait until the next vendor claims docket. After the election workers are paid it will be added to the next vendor claims docket for approval.

Commissioner Norem stated she had distributed to all involved a copy of an ordinance for responsible bidding. She advised she had received the copy from the North Judson Town Board President Wendy Hoppe who stated North Judson has approved the ordinance and put it into use. Commissioner Norem stated she will be addressing the ordinance at the next Board meeting.

Attorney Marty Lucas stated the Media had stated the CAFO Ordinance would be addressed at this Board meeting but noted it was not ready to be covered. He noted it will be addressed at the Board's November 7th meeting. He asked those in attendance for the meeting if anyone had any public comments in regard to the CAFO Ordinance. No one had any comments.

Councilman Dave Pearman who was in attendance for the meeting stated he believes the Coroner's Building planned for construction will be built too large and doesn't believe the Coroner's vehicle needs to be parked inside the building. Councilman Pearman stated he thought with the building being that large they could put up a wall and make a storage room in it for the Sheriff's extra equipment.

Coroner Hoffer inquired if the EMS Department moves out to the Jail if they would need to meet with the Knox Planning Commission to discuss how to move the traffic. Commissioner Norem stated the EMS Department will not be moving for quite a while.

Sheriff Dulin stated they are in the early discussion with SCILL for building a building that would house welding training and additional trainings for inmates. He noted the State would be paying for the building which would be located in the Jail's back property. He advised this would also be part of the Community Corrections Grant.

Commissioner Binkley reminded Tim Miller to meet with the Sheriff before he sticks a pole in the ground to obtain the correct location of the Coroner's building.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There being no public comment and no further business, Commissioner Norem made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Binkley seconded the motion and it passed with all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 6:36PM.

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ABSENT _____

Kent Danford, President

Donald Binkley, Vice President

Kathy Norem

Katherine Chaffins, County Auditor
& Secretary to the Board of County Commissioners