

**UNION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – JANUARY 8, 2018**

**PRESENT:** Paul Wiwi, David Woeste, Alan Alcorn, Marissa Lane, Jim Crouch, Shaun Tudor, Jeff Bowers, and Gene Sanford.

Wiwi called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Woeste moved to approve the minutes of the December 18th meeting. Alcorn seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

**ORGANIZATION:** Alcorn moved to retain the same officers for 2018. This would be Wiwi as President, Woeste as Vice-President, Wiwi as Chairman of the Drainage Board, Alcorn as Chairman of the Finance Board, Woeste as the representative to the WUR Board, and Alcorn as the representative on the Eastern Indiana Regional Planning Commission. Woeste seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

**AMBULANCE REPORT:** Brian Hathaway presented the monthly ambulance report for December. There were 65 patient encounters with 34 transports. 16 of the transports went to the Oxford hospital and 18 to the Richmond hospital. Of the 34 transported 32 had some sort of insurance with 2 showing no coverage. Average response time was 8.8 minutes.

**CYBER INSURANCE:** Mac Keasling of Midwest Insurance and Jeff Mathews were present to discuss Cyber insurance. Keasling stated that the recently approved insurance policy included \$100,000 in aggregate coverage for cyber claims with \$10,000 available for extortion under the policy. Mathews reviewed the computer installation and security measures in the county structure. Discussion then followed on what was an adequate amount of coverage. After some discussion, Alcorn moved to increase the aggregate cyber coverage to \$250,000 which would increase the extortion amount to \$25,000 with an increase in premium of \$482.00. Woeste seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

**PUBLIC HEALTH:** Public Health Coordinator Alvin Day asked if the Commissioners would allow county employees time off to donate blood if a donation program could be arranged with the local blood center. The Commissioners agreed to allow this if office coverage could be worked out.

Day also would like to establish a Facebook page for the county to promote services available. The Commissioners asked him to put something together for them to review.

**EASTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:** Alcorn reported that the Commission is seeking appointments for the New Year. He is the Commissioner appointment and Union County is allowed 3 other at large Commissioner appointments to the Board. He will be contacting those who have been serving on the Board so that Commissioners will be able to make the 3 additional appointments at their next meeting. He also stated that Henry County has asked to join the organization.

**COURTHOUSE LIGHTING PROJECT:** The Auditor reported that the project has begun with LED replacement lighting for the Courthouse. He also stated that Brad Gillen of SmartWatt Energy who is doing the replacement work recently contacted him and said he had missed some fixtures in his initial count and the additional light replacements would add another \$990 to the project.

**CERTIFICATE SALE:** Deana Hill from the Auditor’s office presented an update on possible tax sale of properties. She stated that she has been in contact with SRI and they suggested the county conduct a certificate sale of property in the spring. This involves 11 properties at Heritage Hills campground which have been on tax sale for an extended period. The Certificate sale would allow the properties to be sold for less money than is owed on back taxes and liens and return the properties to the tax rolls. Also the expense of conducting the title searches and notification to previous owners would be absorbed by the new buyer. After some discussion, the Commissioners approved proceeding with the Certificate sale.

**SHERIFF:** Shaun Tudor reported the jail currently has 12 inmates with 3 of those being from other counties.

**MISC:** The Commissioners signed a Conflict of Interest Disclosure for Mike Baker the spouse of Assessor Diana Baker who helps with assessing work.

The Auditor informed the Commissioners of a price increase for drug testing and reviewed the final claim for the Courthouse repair work.

The Commissioners discussed possible repair solutions for the interior basement walls of the Courthouse.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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Attest \_\_\_\_\_, Auditor