

UNION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – DECEMBER 18, 2017

PRESENT: Paul Wiwi, David Woeste, Alan Alcorn, Pam Tharp, Marissa Lane, Jim Crouch, Dale Dishmond, 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 4th meeting. Alcorn seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

DEVELOPMENT CORP: Melissa Browning began discussions concerning the Visitor and Tourism Board which is to be established as part of the Innkeeper's Tax which will be effective January 1, 2018. She is hopeful that the Development Board may be able to be a part of this and suggested that the county attorney review the statute. The Commissioners suggested that she contact the attorney and discuss the matter with him. She also presented information on the Innkeeper's Tax and how it is used in various counties and presented estimated revenue on a 1% food and beverage tax for Union County.

INSURANCE: Midwest Insurance was the only bidder for property and liability insurance and workman's compensation insurance for the county. Mac Keasling and Mike Hawkins from Midwest were present to submit bids of \$58,692 for property and liability insurance and \$40,635 for workers comp insurance for a total of \$99,327. After some discussion, Woeste moved to accept the Midwest bid. Alcorn seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

2018 EDIT PLAN: The 2018 EDIT Plan was presented for consideration. The beginning balance for 2018 will be \$45,361.44 with estimated receipts of \$242,937 for 2018. Expenses for 2018 are:

UC Development Corp.	\$ 34,500.00
UC Transit	\$ 10,000.00
Ambulance Service	\$195,000.00
WUR Coordinator	\$ 6,000.00
Eastern Indiana Regional Planning Comm.	\$ 5,000.00
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	\$250,500.00

This would leave \$37,798.44 of undesignated monies for 2018. After some discussion, Woeste moved to approve the 2018 EDIT Plan. Alcorn seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

2018 APPOINTMENTS: Alcorn moved to appoint James Williams as County Attorney, Jeff Bowers as Highway Superintendent, Cecil Dake as Transfer Station Manager, Justin Dake as Courthouse Custodian, Rick Hill as Dog Warden, Robert Myers as Veterans Service Officer, and Jenny Brown as 911 Director. Woeste seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

Woeste moved to appoint Andrea Coyle as their final appointment to the Redevelopment Commission. Alcorn seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

Woeste moved to appoint Joe Ray and Ron Davis as members of the PETABOA Board. Alcorn seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

The Commissioners asked that the Health Board appointment positions be advertised for future consideration.

2018 CONTRACTS: The Commissioners signed a \$10,000 contract with YOC for beds for juveniles in placement through the Courts. They also signed a contract for \$3,387.68 with Culy Mechanical Electrical LLC for 2018 for maintenance and materials for the Courthouse heating and air system. They also signed the 3 year contract with Spirit for ambulance service for a price of \$390,000 for 2018, \$395,000 for 2019, and \$400,000 for 2020. They also signed the contract with Gary Dare for rental of the County Farm for 2018 and 2019 for \$270 per acre.

SHERIFF: The Sheriff reported that the new department pick-up truck should be delivered in January of 2018. He also stated he should have 3 vehicles to dispose of in 2018. The Commissioners also discussed using signs or rumble strips at the intersection of Nine Mile Road and State Road 44 East. They will discuss this with Highway Supervisor Jeff Bowers.

INSURANCE: AFLAC insurance representative Chris Jones stated that the ARIS group who provides the voluntary insurance programs for county employees cannot sell AFLAC insurance products and was concerned since many county employees currently have AFLAC coverage. After some discussion, the Commissioners stated they would investigate the situation.

MISC: The Commissioners also agreed to continue meeting on the first and third Mondays of the month at 8:30 AM in 2018. The January meetings will be on the second and fourth Mondays due to holidays.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Attest _____, Auditor