

MIAMI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
25 N. BROADWAY
PERU, IN 46970
MINUTES
04-04-11

Commissioner Boyer opened the meeting.

GATEWAY FARMERS MARKET

Bob Radel, Gateway Farmers Market, asked the Boards permission to put a sign for the Market at the intersection of 19 and 500. Commissioner Faust made a motion to allow with the stipulation that Mr. Radel checks with the Highway Department to make sure the sign doesn't block the line of vision for vehicles on the road. Commissioner Francis 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL

Ken Scott informed the Board that they were going to have probation/community correction people filling sand bags and asked for permission to use the sally port of the old jail if it rains. Permission granted.

MASTER GARDEN

Linda Dyer and Cheryl Garner, Master Gardeners, spoke to the Board regarding the possibility of putting a community garden at a site by the new jail. The purpose would be to teach people how to garden. They also spoke of the possibility of having inmates learn about gardening and using the produce in the jail. The Commissioners were impressed with the idea and was going to check with the Sheriff.

WATER PROBLEM

Vinal Bowyer came before the Board with a water problem on his property. Apparently there is drainage from his neighbor's property that runs on to his and prevents him from uses that land for crops. Mr. Bowyer wanted to know if there was anything he could do other than talk to his neighbor, which hasn't worked. The Board referred him to the Zoning and Planning Administrator.

IT

John Powell, IT Director, informed the Board that the State wants the Health Department to be on Cable. Mr. Powell stated we could save the State money by being on the County's network unless the Board would like to have cable in the building. Commissioner Francis made a motion to allow the Health Department to be put on the County network. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

WABASH VALLEY REFUSE

The Board received a 3 year contract for trash hauling.

MINUTES

Commissioner Francis made a motion to accept the minutes. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

PAYROLL

Commissioner Francis made a motion to approve payroll and Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

MCEDA

The Board received a claim from MCEDA for the Hangar 200 project for soil samples. Commissioner Faust made a motion to pay the bill. Commissioner Francis 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

SHERIFF

The Board spoke with Sheriff Miller about the Master Gardner's Club wanting to have a community garden at the jail. There was discussion about getting rid of the dirt and

having a farmer work the area and possibly plant wheat during the winter. Sheriff Miller did not see a problem with allowing the request.

The Board and Sheriff Miller discussed issues at the jail. All the final documents were signed off on last November however; there are problems with some of the equipment. The issues are: Visitation equipment-has never worked all at the same time. The system has never worked right and they are down to 3 working units out of 7. The Board stated that they knew of issues with CCI and Michael Kinder and Sons but those had been worked out. They will forward the information along to Pat Roberts to look into.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

Pat Roberts, County Attorney, and the Commissioners discussed the different processes in reference to the problems at the jail. Mr. Roberts will write letters but should have another construction company to look at the building and give an opinion. The Board feels that Joe Hoffman at CCI will be supportive in fixing the video system. The Sheriff will get estimates on fixing or replacing the video system.

There were some installation issues that are still being worked on. A mix wasn't correct when installed. Mr. Roberts will need to look at the 09 list and a current list in order to pursue this issue. Mr. Roberts suggested going back to the beginning point, CCI in order to resolve the problem. Sheriff Miller noted that the video equipment has to be fixed as it is a necessity at the jail.

Sheriff Miller talked with Mr. Roberts about inmate health care. Mr. Roberts knew of the ordinance with Fulton County regarding this but would follow up with the judges about the matter.

Tim Hunter discussed with the Board the procedure for reporting accidents for non-employees. Mr. Hunter talked with Insurance Deputy Mary Milroy and she is working on getting some forms made up. There are no forms available through the insurance company and is working on making necessary adjustments that are specific to the county.

Mr. Roberts went over the changes in the Personnel Policy specifically the declaration on page 9, common wage hour rate on page 17, vacation time, and bereavement on page 27, personal leave, and longevity pay. The longevity pay has been changed to state that eligibility will be determined as of November 30th and will be paid out on the first non-payroll Friday in December each year. Other issues that need to be looked at are insurance in section 5.1 and 5.2, work conditions, use of county vehicles and county property.

EMA

Kris Marks, EMA Director discussed with the Board the need to get some reimbursement for EMA runs. EMA responded to a call where a truck had flipped over. This is the 2nd accident with the same company and the Board feels there needs to be some research into getting reimbursement for responding. The previous director billed reoccurring companies but it is hard to get payments.

Mr. Marks told Board that he had sent in a thank you to the Dukes Health Care Foundation for their support with the grain bin project.

VOTER REGISTRATION

Paul Wilson, 1st Deputy Voter Registration discussed with the Board the handicap access on the south side of the building. There is an issue with the doors and it is causing issues with absentee voters obtaining access. Mr. Wilson will leave the signs up and the Board will have the door looked at.

WABASH VALLEY REFUSE

Commissioner Faust made a motion to sign the contract with Wabash Valley Refuse for 373.39 per month. Commissioner Francis 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

HIGHWAY ENGINEER

Ken Einselen, Highway Engineer brought in information on Bridge 152 rehabilitation plans.

Commissioner Faust made a motion to. Commissioner Francis 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Adjourned

MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION

_____, **Chairman**
C. Craig Boyer

_____, **Vice Chairman**
H. Jon Faust

_____, **Member**
Joshua Francis

Attest: _____ **Auditor**
Jane Lilley