

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**March 2nd, 2015**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Board of Commissioners convened in a regular meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, March 2nd, 2015, having adjourned from a regular meeting on Monday, February 16th, 2015.
- II. ROLL CALL:** Members present were Commissioners Jim Meece, President; Dan R. Collom, First Vice President; Bruce Hartman, Second Vice President; Pam Adams, Auditor; Janie Hardman, 1st Deputy Auditor and County Attorney John Asbury. Also present were Robert R. Mager, Curt Mager, Derek Mager, Jason Games, Pam Sanders, Jameson Hibbs, Michael Dickey, Brian E. Weiss, Amy Hensley, Justin Cole and Larry Bemis.
- III. MINUTES:** Minutes for the regular meeting held on Monday, February 16th, 2015 were approved on a motion made by Dan Collom and seconded by Bruce Hartman. The motion carried unanimously.
- IV. PAYROLL:** County payroll in the amount of \$150,636.76 was approved for release on Monday, March 9th, 2015 on a motion made by Bruce Hartman. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Dan Collom made a motion acknowledging receipt of the Payroll Claims Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$208,409.13. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- V. CLAIMS:** After reviewing the Claims Docket, claims in the amount of \$382,086.98 were approved for release on March 2nd, 2015 on a motion made by Bruce Hartman and seconded by Dan Collom. The motion carried unanimously.
- VI. NEW BUSINESS:**
- Dan Collom made a motion to approve a hand-typed check in the amount of \$17,500.00 payable to ARSEE Engineering, Inc. for repair documents contingent upon approval of an additional appropriation by the Parke County Council. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
  - Dan Collom made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-02 which amends Parke County Resolutions 2005-03 and 2013-07 to update pertinent information regarding a revolving line of credit for Parke County Government. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
  - Dan Collom made a motion to approve the 2014 Emergency Management Performance Grant. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
  - HCC Public Risk Claim Service, Inc. claim acknowledgements were reviewed by the Board.
  - The Board reviewed a brochure regarding the initiation of a Risk Mapping, Assessment and Planning (MAP) Discovery project for the Sugar Creek basin.
  - The Board reviewed the proposed abatement information document from Partnership Parke County.
  - The Exercise of Option-Fairgrounds Lease Extension was reviewed by the Board. The Board will review the lease agreement signed on December 15th, 2003 at the next Commissioner meeting before taking action on the Exercise of Option.
  - The Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission agenda and minutes were reviewed by the Board.
  - Bruce Hartman made a motion to establish a Common Construction Wage hearing on at 1:00 p.m. on March 9th, 2015 in Auditor Pam Adams' office. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
  - Bruce Hartman made a motion to have a meeting to open bids for the Courthouse clock tower project at 5:00 p.m. on March 16th, 2015. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
  - Jim Meece contacted the Council regarding the failing computer which runs the heating and cooling system for the Courthouse. The Council agreed to move forward with repairs.
  - Mike Dickey inquired about the home destroyed by fire at the corner of Waxi Road and US Hwy 41. Dan Collom informed Dickey the property is in the process of being transferred to a new owner who indicated they will clean it up.
- VII. OLD BUSINESS:**
- The letter to the West Central Solid Waste District appointing George Nicholas as proxy for Dan Collom was signed by the Board.

- Cody Felty, a co-defendant in the Bridgeton Bridge graffiti case, has been ordered to pay one-third of the \$4,005.00 restitution. Felty will make monthly payments in the amount of \$120.00 to the County.

**VIII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

**Parke County Sheriff, Justin Cole:**

- The Jail count for today was fifty-four. Forty-two County and three Department of Correction inmates and twelve out of county inmates.
- Presented the Uniform Crime Report for January and February 2015.
- Presented the Department of Corrections Billing for February 2015.
- Reported Michael Pivowar has been hired as a Deputy.
- Reported Narcan training has been completed.
- The department has been awarded \$5,000.00 from the Local Coordinating Council for drug investigations to counter over-time.
- Reported the new computers have been installed.
- Reported the video surveillance cameras and new sprinkler heads are currently being installed.

**IX. PERSONS REQUESTING TIME ON THE AGENDA:**

**Parke County Resident Bob Mager** introduced Derek Mager and Curt Mager who asked the Board for permission to close a portion of Raccoon Road to hold an ATV and motorcycle race on May 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 2015. Mager will have an ambulance on site as well as first responders from Bridgeton and Bellmore Volunteer Fire Departments. Mager will provide a certificate of liability insurance listing the County as an insured party. The Board agreed the road could be closed from noon Friday, May 1st until 6:00 p.m. Sunday, May 3rd, 2015.

**Armed Forces Benefit Association (AFBA) Representative Brian E. Weiss** appeared before the Board to ask permission to contact County employees at the Sheriff's Department and Emergency Services who qualify for First Responder Group Level Term Life Insurance. Interested employees would enroll directly with AFBA and can continue to pay for their policy after leaving County employment. The Board does not recommend or endorse AFBA in any way. Bruce Hartman made a motion to allow AFBA to contact eligible employees to inform them of the supplemental term life insurance. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**X. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Parke County Parks & Recreation Superintendent Jameson Hibbs appeared before the Board to inquire about a policy for reservations for the closed covered bridges. Hibbs stated there are no set rules and all parties reserving a bridge must follow the rule of no open flames. The Board agreed parties who reserve a bridge need to obtain a \$3,000,000.00 certificate of liability insurance. Jim Meece will explore insurance providers

Emergency Management Director Amy Hensley informed the Board FEMA has suspended all hazard mitigation grant awards to the state of Indiana until the city of Kokomo resolves the compliance issues with the baseball stadium project. The suspension affects the LEPC grant awarded to Parke County.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT:** Having no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Dan Collom and seconded by Bruce Hartman. The meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

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Jim Meece, President

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Dan R. Collom, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

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Bruce A. Hartman, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

ATTEST:

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Pam Adams, Auditor