

## **UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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The Jefferson County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session on Monday January 30th at 1:00 p.m. Those present were Commissioners, Wayne Ledbetter, Richard Malm, Lynn Luck, County Attorney/Counselor Josh Ney and County Clerk Linda M Buttron.

The Counselor and the Board reviewed and approved vouchers. The Board signed a shared sick leave donation. They also signed a travel request for the Register of Deeds. A completed KWORCC Safety Inspection report was signed for an inspection done on 1/12/2017.

Richard moved that the minutes of January 23<sup>rd</sup> be approved as presented. Wayne seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Emergency Management Director, Keith Jeffers reported that the Hamm's landfill is doing their methane burnoff tonight.

Bill Noll, Public Works Director met with the Board. Bill presented the annual Noxious Weed Eradication Report for the Department of Agriculture. Lynn moved that the annual Noxious Weed Eradication Progress report be approved as presented. Wayne seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board signed the report. Bill discussed the generators approved for purchase last week. Government surplus has a forklift for sale for \$9,000. It would be used to unload trailers, pallets of chemicals, totes of oil and 96" culverts. The Board agreed to the purchase by consensus. Bill presented information on a citizen complaint regarding trimming of cedar trees on 106th street east of Wellman Road. The trees blocked the line of sight of the driveway to the east. Bill would like to see the County purchase survey grade GPS equipment to use for marking a right of way line for roadways, GIS mapping and other survey needs. He estimated the cost of such a unit to be approximately \$12,000. The Board asked that he work with Chris Schmeissner, GIS/IT Director to get a firm price for the unit. Bill presented general information regarding Hickory Acres subdivision road maintenance. A road maintenance report was provided showing the hours and amount of rock put on the routes to Hickory Acres between January 2016 – November 2016. \$10,868.25 was spent on the 2.7 miles of road for the route south from 62<sup>nd</sup>. \$3,858 was spent during that period on 2.2 miles of road for the route north from 50<sup>th</sup> street. These amounts are average expenses as compared to the money spent on other county roads.

Representatives from Hickory Acres Subdivision met with the Board. David Turk spoke for the group. He discussed road conditions on the roads discussed by Bill. **Mr. Turk stated that** the roads service approximately 40 homes. Wayne discussed the demographics of persons per mile of road in the County and the use of the paved roads by those coming to visit Lake Perry.

Mr. Turk asked what the residents of the area can do to help the County in maintenance of the roads. Bill reviewed the challenges of reduced tax dollars and impact of legislative changes to the County budget. The Board suggested that the group explore creating a benefit district to pay for improvements to the roads. Bill stated that he will do some traffic counts on the road. Bill will also research exactly where the county road ends going into the subdivision.

Josh asked for an executive session to discuss matters of attorney client privilege until 2:15 p.m. Richard moved that the Board recess into executive session to discuss matters of attorney client until 2:15 p.m. Wayne seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 2:10 p.m. Present during the session were Josh and the Board. The Board reconvened at 2:15 p.m. The chairman announced that no binding action was taken during executive session. Richard moved that the session be extended five minutes until 2:20 p.m. Wayne seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 2:16 p.m. The same parties were present. The Board reconvened at 2:20 p.m. The chairman announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

Lynn announced that the Board will attend a special meeting tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. in the basement conference room conducted by the Economic Development Director regarding Neighborhood Revitalization.

The Board adjourned the meeting at 2:15 p.m. to view various roads in the County. The Board returned to the courthouse at approximately 4:00 p.m. and there being no further business to come before the Board they adjourned to meet in regular session on February 6, 2017.