

RECORD OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ORANGE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD AT THE
MEETING ROOM, PAOLI, INDIANA
ON THE 5th DAY OF DECEMBER 2018 at 9:00 am

Officials present: Commissioners Steve Hopper, Don Brewer, and Richard Dixon. Also present, Sheriff Josh Babcock, Attorney J.C. Tucker and Auditor Lonnie Stroud.

Sheriff Babcock called the meeting to order. The pledge to the Flag was given and after short moment of silence, to commemorate the passing of President George H.W. Bush, Auditor Lonnie Stroud opened with prayer.

The minutes from November 21st were reviewed. Steve Hopper made the motion to accept the minutes without changes, Don Brewer seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Sheriff Babcock gave the November stats for the Sheriff Department. Population is currently 104 and Sheriff reported that we have billed DOC \$4,655 to house inmates.

Tammie Johnson, Orange County Health Department, requested that some remodeling be done in the health department office to address privacy, security, and ADA issues. Tammie stated that she received only 1 quote from the 5 that she requested. County Attorney stated that was fine because the quote as under \$50,000 threshold. The amount quoted for the work requested came to \$8,040. Richard Dixon suggested tableting the request to evaluate the status of the Casino and Cumulative Capital Development funds and to further review work requested. The issue will be decided in the 19th meeting so Stroud can arrange for an appropriation to be reviewed in the January Council meeting if commissioners approve.

Valerie Moon, Orange County Transit, presented the Commissioners with the transit capital grant draw down for review. After review, the motion for Richard Dixon to sign was made by Don Brewer, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0.

Garland Eubank, Orange County 911, reported on the Cloth-A-Child project December 6th at 4pm.

Bill Ross, Accent Consulting, presented a rough quote to preform the IT service for the county. Bill requested better access to the county network to be able to give a more accurate quote due to the quote he provided being hirer than current cost. Richard Dixon requested that Mr. Ross check back in a year. The current IT providers are preforming a great job and all the offices are well satisfied.

Abby Heidendeich, Purdue Extension Educator, reported on extension office activities. Abby also presented a request to the commissioners to declare some old desk of no value so they may be replace. Motion to allow the replacement and deem the old desk no value was made Steve Hopper, seconded by Don Brewer, and carried 3-0. Abby reported that some 4H students in the county were planning on participating in training in Washington DC. In conclusion, Abby reported that a date is to be announced for the Ag Outlook meeting.

Tanya Hall, Purdue Extension office, reported on the Leadership Program taking place this year deadline for signup was December 14th and the cost is \$300. Tanya requested the participation of the elected officials on January 16th when the leadership group is to visit the complex.

Sarah Richer, Purdue Extension Educator, reported that she has accepted a position with the Lawrence County Extension office and will be leaving December 31st.

Angie Chastain, Purdue Extension office, reported on getting quotes for replacing tables and chairs at the Community Center. It was reported that there are several tables out of order and some chairs have fallen apart.

County Attorney JC Tucker reported on his finding of the legality of the pictures on the county map Elevate. There are only certain property owners that can request pictures to be hidden by state statute. The request at the last meeting did not meet those requirements and it can not be deemed an invasion of privacy. The contract for the County Attorney services was reviewed from the prior meeting. Motion to accept the contract with no changes was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Richard Dixon, and carried 3-0.

Auditor Stroud presented a request from probation department to paint the front door of the courthouse. Motion to allow and pay for the purchase of paint was made by Don Brewer, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. Stroud reported that he made contact with the Public Defender Commission to verify that the county is in good standing. Stroud sent an email confirmation from the PD to the commissioners verifying that we are in good standing and meet as required. Stroud presented the commissioners with a list of meeting dates for 2019. Stroud concluded with reporting that the Auditor’s office would be doing the settlement today to distribute property tax dollars to all the county units.

Steve Hopper reported that the Chamber of Commers requested permission to decorate the courthouse stairs with lights. Motion to allow with the understanding of responsibility of damage being addressed was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Don Brewer, and carried 3-0.

Don Brewer reported on airport road progress meeting with INDOT. July bid letting is projected.

Richard Dixon requested information on the Orange County Park to be possibly devested. JC to look into county options. Richard presented a request for map information from CoreLogic. Motion to allow the map information was made by Don Brewer, seconded by Richard Dixon, and carried 3-0.

Don Brewer ask about any information on the closeout from Burgess and Nipel. JC reported no information to report.

With no further business to discuss, the motion to sign claims and adjourn was made by Don Brewer, seconded by Steve Hopper and carried 3-0

Orange County Commissioners

Don Brewer

Steve Hopper

Attest: _____
Lonnie Stroud, Auditor – Orange County

Richard Dixon