

Meeting Minutes
Grant County Commissioner
Regular meeting

Alton Zenker

Commissioners:
Myles Stoller

John Reinhardt

Regular Commissioners Meeting was called to order on the 1stth day of May 2019 at 9:00AM by Alton Zenker, Commissioners present Alton Zenker, Myles Stoller, John Reinhardt.

Public Present: Patrick Diehl-DES, Merlin Leithold-Weed Board, Leroy Kautz, Jackie Steinmetz-Tax Director/Zoning Brd Sec., Jon Alt-Road Supt., Grant Walker-States Attorney, John Sauber and Jeff Wright - Sauber Engineering.

Moved by Stoller and second by Reinhardt to approve the agenda with addition of resolution to add designees to accounts, and salary negotiation. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Reinhardt and second by Stoller to approve minutes of April 17th, 2019. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Zenker administered oath of office to Sara Meier, Auditor/ Treasurer.

Moved by Reinhardt, second by Stoller to approved resolutions for bank accounts to add Sara Meier, Auditor/Treasurer, Julie Fischer, Recorder/Clerk of Court and Katrina Hummel, Deputy Recorder/Clerk of Court and to remove Lynn Mutschelknaus, Velvet Finck, and Joyce Stern. Roll call vote – Stoller – aye, Reinhardt – aye, Zenker – aye. Motion carried.

Patrick Diehl spoke about the hazardous materials emergency response plan – required to take lowest bid. Bids submitted were Heartland - \$7978; Keitu \$7850; Nexus \$15,000; Blue Cell \$10,685. Moved by Stoller to accept bid submitted by Keitu, motion seconded by Reinhardt. Roll call vote – Stoller - aye, Reinhardt – aye, Zenker – aye; motion carried.

Patrick Diehl requested changes to members of the Local Emergency Planning Committee. Moved by Stoller and seconded by Reinhardt to remove Lynn Mutschelknaus and add Sara Meier, and remove Mike Mortenson and add Jon Alt. All presented voting aye. Motion carried.

Patrick Diehl presented a Fire Emergency and Burn Ban Declaration for consideration. Moved by Reinhardt and seconded by Stoller to accept the declaration. Roll call vote – Stoller – aye, Reinhardt – aye, Zenker – aye. Motion carried. Declaration became active May 1, 2019.

Merlin Leithold discussed the Palmer Amaranth Action Plan template with the commission. Any property owner who suspects the presence of this noxious weed can contact the weed board for identification. Randy Lyon is available to spray for the land owner. Options for installation of security camera at shop were discussed.

Leroy Kautz met with the commission for an update on gravel hauling, and access road maintenance.

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Bert Harsche met with commission to discuss sections of road that require additional materials and have shoulders pulled.

John Sauber and Jeff Wright of Sauber Engineering, and Jon Alt, Road Supt. met with the commission to discuss progress on road project BRO-0019(19) a/k/a the Brinkman Project. Moved by Stoller and seconded by Reinhardt to offer \$1000 per acre for permanent easement to be taken for road project BRO-0019(19). Roll call vote – Stoller – aye, Reinhardt – aye, Zenker – aye. Motion carried.

The commission with discuss the Elm Township culvert project with members of the Elm Township Board.

Recess for lunch at 12:30.
Reconvene meeting at 12:55

Jackie Steinmetz, County Zoning Board Secretary met with commission to discuss varies topics. Moved by Reinhardt and seconded by Stoller to rescind the moratorium on medical marijuana. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Reinhardt and seconded by Stoller to approve a \$250 application fee for change in zoning classification. Roll call vote – Stoller – aye, Reinhardt – aye, Zenker – aye, and motion carried.

Moved by Reinhardt and second by Stoller to approve to pay bills of \$38,004.51, and mileage reimbursement for Grant Walker of \$292.32. Roll call vote – Reinhardt – aye, Stoller – aye, Zenker – aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Stoller and seconded by Reinhardt to approve payment of vacation and sick leave time remaining for Velvet Finck in the amount of \$308.00. Roll call vote – Stoller – aye, Reinhardt – aye, Zenker – aye, and motion carried.

Moved by Reinhardt and seconded by Stoller to approve the raffle permit for Dogtooth Antique Tractor Club, Raleigh, for June 29, 2019 drawing. All in favor. Motion carried.

As requested by Harold Rotunda, CPA who will be conducting exit audit, commission reviewed the sick leave and vacation time balances for county employees. Moved by Stoller and seconded by Reinhardt to approve vacation and sick leave balances through April 30, 2019. Roll call vote – Stoller – aye, Reinhardt – aye, Zenker – aye. Motion carried.

After considering budget appropriations, starting salaries of newly elected officials of comparable counties, the commission reconsidered the previous motion on the starting salary for Sara Meier, Auditor/Treasurer. Moved by Reinhardt and seconded by Stoller to amend prior motion for auditor/treasurer annual salary for Sara Meier from \$36,000 to \$40,000.

Chairman Zenker adjourned meeting at 3:00 p.m.

FYI: next scheduled meetings will be May 15th, and June 5th. County Board of Equalization will meet on June 5th at 10:00a.m.

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Alton Zenker, Chairman

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Sara Meier, County Auditor