

MERCER COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
September 2, 2014

Board convened pursuant to adjournment at 7pm.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance roll call showed the following members present: Board Member Anseeuw, Bell, Gregg, Haines, Howard, McWhorter, Pappas, Rooth, Schroeder and Stone.

Ron Schoon addressed the Board regarding firearms that were removed from his home. He claims that one of his firearms was involved in a crime. He is requesting someone to get back to him on the disposition of his property.

Chairman McWhorter presented the minutes of the August 5, 2014 General Board Meeting and on his motion seconded by Board Member Howard were approved by vote of the Board.

Ron Thornton addressed the Board regarding a property that is being sold at Sealed Bid by Mercer County Tax Agent Joe Meyers. He would like the property to be sold at a Public Auction as was advertised on the sign at the property. Clerk Phyllis Bewley advised that our numbers do not warrant a verbal auction. Joe Meyers controls how this is performed.

Board Member Haines presented the minutes of the Law Enforcement Committee and on the motion of Board Member Schroeder seconded by Board Member Gregg were approved by vote of the Board.

Board Member McWhorter presented the minutes of the Transportation Committee and on the motion of Board Member Gregg seconded by Board Member Howard were approved by vote of the Board. Board Member McWhorter presented County Bridge Aid-Final Report/ North Henderson Twp Bridge Timber Pile Repairs/Structure 066-4103 and on the motion of Board Member Bell seconded by Board Member Rooth was approved by vote of the Board. FOR FURTHER PROCEEDINGS SEE HIGHWAY RECORD BOOK. Board Member McWhorter presented Joint Agreement for Federal Participation /Section #14-00102-01-TR and on his motion seconded by Board Member Bell was approved by vote of the Board. FOR FURTHER PROCEEDINGS SEE HIGHWAY RECORD BOOK.

Board Member Rooth presented the minutes of the Animal Control Committee and on his motion seconded by Board Member Howard was approved by vote of the Board. Board Member Rooth presented a Contract with Village of Sherrard for Animal Control Services. Animal Control Officer Chris Brewer said that there was an issue with the contract and asked for it to be tabled till next month. Motion to table the Contract to October by Board Member McWhorter was seconded by Board Member Howard and approved by vote of the Board. Discussion regarding revision of the Animal Control ordinances was also tabled till future date yet to be determined.

Board Member Anseeuw presented the minutes of the Public Health Board and on his motion seconded by Board Member Bell was approved by vote of the Board.

Board Member Schroeder presented the minutes of the Zoning Board of Appeals and on his motion seconded by Board Member Gregg were approved by vote of the Board. Board Member Schroeder presented an Ordinance to Rezone from AG-1 to R-1 / 3.21 Acres for Jacob and Jenna Marlow and on his motion seconded by Board Member Pappas was approved by vote of the Board. FOR FURTHER PROCEEDINGS SEE ZONING RECORD BOOK 3 PAGES _____.

Board Member Pappas presented the minutes of the Finance meeting and on his motion seconded by Board Member Howard to correct the minutes in paragraph 9 to delete "the accounts" and insert "12 additional accounts". Motion carried by vote of the Board. Board Member Pappas presented the claims for payment as follows: General Corporate \$54,168.29, Public Health \$24,899.12, Veteran's Assistance \$959.16, County Highway \$196,011.21, County Aid Bridge \$37,863.78, Federal Aid Matching \$38,545.06, Township Motor Fuel \$194,885.33, Animal Control \$2,881.87, Law Library \$706.30, Capital Improvements \$18,077.16, Liability Insurance \$14,555.70, Circuit Clerk Automation \$290.00, Probation Fees \$3,314.15, Document Storage \$547.41, County Clerk Automation \$351.60, GIS Fees \$610.90, Tiller \$13,988.07 and Pet Population Vouchers \$2,870.00 for a total of \$605,525.11 and on his motion seconded by Board Member Gregg was approved by vote of the Board. Board Member Pappas moved to appropriate \$6000.00 from the Liability Fund to engage Bohnsack and Frommelt for Quarterly Reports for the last two quarters of 2014 was seconded by Board Member Schroeder and approved by vote of the Board. Board Member Pappas moved to employ Bohnsack and Frommelt to do a pre-forensic review of the 12 accounts and the collection accounts at \$75.00 per hour was seconded by Board Member Schroeder. If they find anything they will report to the Board for further proceedings.

Chairman McWhorter presented Jill Henry as his appointment to fill the vacancy in the Coroner's position. Motion to appoint Jill Henry as Coroner was made by Board Member Gregg and seconded by Board Member Haines. Discussion regarding the timing and lack of time to "vet" candidates. Motion to table by Board Member Schroeder was seconded by Board Member Howard and approved by vote of the Board. Chairman McWhorter presented Ron Fullerlove as his appointment to fill the vacancy in the Treasurer position. Motion to table this appointment by Board Member Gregg was seconded by Board Member Stone. A Special Board meeting was announced and called for September 9 at 4:30pm at which time both appointments will be considered.

Clerk Bewley announced that the November meeting will be on Thursday, November 6 because of the General Election. The December meeting will be held on Monday, December 1 per Board bylaws.

There was no public comment.

Motion to adjourn to Tuesday, October 7, 2014 by Board Member Howard seconded by Board Member Pappas was approved by vote of the Board at 7:54pm.