

## Proceedings of the Special Meeting

Clark County

October 24, 2018

The Special meeting of the County Board met October 24, 2018 at 8:00 A.M. and was called to Order by Chairman John Hammond. Deputy Clerk Cheryl Shull led the pledge of allegiance.

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| ROLL CALL        | 8:00 A.M.   |
| Rex Goble        | District #1 |
| Mike Brandenburg | District #2 |
| Jim Bolin        | District #3 |
| John Hammond     | District #4 |
| Susan Guinnip    | District #5 |
| Todd Kuhn        | District #6 |
| Mike Parsons     | District #7 |

Carol Holbert spoke to the Board about the 2019 Budget and asked for any changes that the Board wanted to make. Discussion turned to property taxes and levies. The consensus was that property tax assessments are too high in the county. The concern is that businesses in Clark County have no incentive to stay in the County and every option for better deals to move outside of the County and even the State. Agreement was that the citizens of Clark County are in the dark about how properties are assessed and would benefit greatly if more educated and a great need for the general public to attend various meetings such as School Board, City Council, etc. Todd Kuhn and Susan Guinnip suggested an increase in the Courthouse Improvement fund for improvements to get ready for the upcoming Clark County Bicentennial celebration in 2019. Suggested improvements were maintenance on the interior Courthouse floor, power washing bricks on the exterior of the building, and other improvements. The Board agreed to increase the Courthouse Improvement fund from \$100,000.00 to \$150,000.00.

Ambulance discussion was next on the agenda. The cost study from Umbaugh and Associates was discussed first. Jason Wimbley stated that he e-mailed them to inform them we were not happy with the study and concern about the \$10,000.00 cost. He has not heard back from them at this time. The agreement was that the new cost study should include keeping the service the same as it is now, going to full time, or privatizing the service. The Board discussed the pros and cons of each option. The Board discussed the new cost study and the possibility of A.J. Claflin of maybe doing it again. He had done a cost study a few years ago. George Macey with the Marshall Ambulance Service was on hand and stated that he is in contact with Mr. Claflin and could forward the information to him. Mr. Macey then spoke to the Board on his experience at The Marshall Ambulance Service with different scenarios of staffing. The Board then suggested the possibility of copying the Marshall Ambulance and doing the same in Casey and Martinsville and pairing with the Fire Protection Districts in each area.

Janitor Service was the next thing on the agenda. The Board discussed the current duty list of the Janitorial Service. The current provider, Misty Wieland, has presented her resignation. The new contract will be put up for bid. The Board agreed to discuss the duty list and any changes that they would like to make at the Regular Board Meeting on November 16, 2018 and then advertise in the local newspaper for bids.

Motion by Mike Brandenburg and second by Jim Bolin to approve One Day and Mileage Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye".

Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Susan Guinnip and second by Mike Parsons that the meeting be adjourned until November 16, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. The meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Carol Holbert – Auditor; George Macey—Director Marshall Ambulance Service; Sheri Higginbotham—Treasurer; Jason Wimbley—CCAS; Jerry Parsley—Clark County Sheriff; Jack Myles—Deputy Clerk; Cheryl Shull—Deputy Clerk; Dallas Richardson—County Engineer.