Commissioners Patrick Clawson, William Brown and John Brown met in regular session on the 16th day of June 2014 at 9:00 a.m. to conduct business pursuant to the laws of Carroll County and the State of Indiana. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the June 2, 2014 meeting were unanimously approved. ** JB/WB **

The payroll claim for period ending June 7, 2014 was unanimously approved

WB/JB

FRONTIER TELEPHONE SYSTEM: Scott Bell, Frontier Commercial Account Manager for Northwest Indiana, took over our account in March and started a thorough review. He found our pricing was higher than if we were a new business and has developed a plan of action to save the taxpayers' money. The fiber has been upgraded and Delphi can be provided a "cloud" service which will drop the price and simplify billing. There would be no limitations to the telephone system and there would be no charge for changes. Month we are presently billed \$4,170.00; he can add features and the monthly bill would be \$3,530.00. The only equipment the County would have to purchase is the handsets which would be \$35,300 and could be financed by Frontier for 5 years. Each employee would be able to have their own service requirements; if an employee has an issue with the handset there would be one person to contact for help, all done through the cloud and no charges. The plan would also provide unlimited long distance which would eliminate the long distance telephone bill. This proposal includes an internet connection that would only be used by the Courthouse.

William Brown made a motion to table the issue until the July 7, 2014 meeting to allow time to talk with Randy Cleaver, the County's IT consultant. John Brown seconded; passed unanimously.

BOSMA STONE QUARRY: Teresa Maxwell, Secretary of the Deer Creek Prairie Levee Association, stated that if the Commissioners signed the resolution to oppose the Bosma Stone Quarry, it would need to be saved for when the topic was back on the Tippecanoe County Area Plan Commission agenda, the stone quarry had been taken off their agenda for at least a month. It was the consensus of the Commissioners to not sign the resolution until later if needed.

<u>OLD SETTLERS MEETING</u>: Teresa Maxwell, member of the Old Settlers Committee, stated that due to the requirement of having insurance coverage, they will not be able to hold their annual meeting in the Courthouse; they would have liked to use the Circuit Court Room. Attorney Johnson stated the County's liability would cover everything, but suggested it be referred to the Judge for his approval. Sheryl Shockley stated that sine there is no art show in the rotunda, the Chamber may use port-a-pots and the Courthouse will not need to be open. Debbie Lowe stated the art show was moving to the Stone Barn because they could not afford the insurance; same would be true for the Old Settlers Committee.

William Brown made a motion to allow the Old Settlers Meeting to use the Rotunda of the Courthouse on August 9, the Committee will pay the \$45.00 custodian fee and the Commissioners will waive insurance requirements. John Brown seconded; passed unanimously.

EMS BILLING: Mike Durr is concerned about the service they are receiving with their present billing recovery provider, ABS; they have filed bankruptcy. Durr has contacted AccuMed and likes the software they provide and feels they are better positioned to handle the upcoming changes due to the Affordable Healthcare Act. The AccuMed representative began by complimenting Mike Durr for the work he has done to ensure Carroll County was compliant with all laws. She gave an overview of the company and stated they are typically able to save their clients money and increase revenues. They would work on the ratio of 70% - 30%, ALS to BLS, which is higher than standards. There is a possibility there may be some non-compliant reporting in the County; they would train the employees to make sure it is being coded compliantly. AccuMed will fully fund the software for the life of the contract. They will also pay annual fees. Clients will not see an increase in cost.

Durr has checked with other providers using AccuMed and found no negative comments, except for the fact they have had to be more compliant. They propose a 5 year contract. The present contract with ABS requires a 30-day release notification. Durr would suggest turning the contracts over to Attorney Johnson for his review. Durr has contacted other vendors but does not feel they offered what is presently needed. William Brown moved to table for review at the next meeting pending Attorney's approval of the document. John Brown seconded; passed unanimously.

<u>DEER CREEK PARK CAMP HOSTS</u>: Billie Hedde, representing the Park Board, requested the Commissioners approve Bruce & Carolyn Butler as the Camp Hosts for 2014. The Park Board advertised many places and received no responses. The Butlers volunteered to help out Memorial Day and the Park Board asked them to stay for the summer on a month-to-month basis. Attorney Johnson suggested not paying them retro actively for past work but can be monthly beginning in June; \$333.33 per month.

William Brown made a motion to grant the Park Board's request for the Butlers to be Camp Hosts beginning June 1; John Brown seconded; passed unanimously.

<u>LINTON LANE</u>: There was no finding by the Assessor, the Highway or the County Attorney that Linton Lane is a county road. Jamie Rough asked that since the lane appears to be owned by an association that is no longer in existence, how would they take deed to the road. Attorney Johnson advised it would be a private civil matter for the residents.

<u>JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP</u>: Rex Millhouse, Jefferson Township Trustee, asked if the State has to apply for a local building permit to build on State property. Millhouse has heard the State is building an animal incinerator device in a residential area and there is concern. Attorney Johnson will research to determine if they are required to apply for a permit.

Millhouse expressed the concern of some residents with the chip and seal done on Lower Lakeshore Drive and Quiet Water Drive; larger stone was used. The residents would like another layer done with smaller stone. The Commissioners stated there was no money left to put a third layer of chip and seal on the roads in question.

Jefferson Township appreciation day will be held July 12, 2014 from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Yeoman Gulf Course.

COUNTY COORDINATOR POSITION: Ann Brown reported that the Carroll County Coordinator Committee has now become a search committee. Applications will be reviewed June 30; screening interviews will be July 7 and 9 and the finalists, between 1 and 3 candidates, will be interviewed during a 2:00 p.m. executive session following a joint meeting of the Commissioners and the Council on July 17th. Commissioners can make their announcement at the July 21st meeting which would allow 2 weeks' notice and then the new Coordinator could be in place by August 4, 2014; if all goes according to plan.

Brown also suggested the new Auditor take their place out with the staff when hired to allow the present Auditor's office be available for the County Coordinator.

<u>WEB FILTER</u>: Randy Cleaver, IT consultant for Carroll County provided a quote for a web filter. Total cost for start-up would be \$5,856.39 with an annual cost of \$1,886.26 to maintain the filter. The system would give a monthly report on which websites employees are visiting.

William Brown made a motion to hire Randy Cleaver to install the web filter and pay for annual costs pending Council approval. John Brown seconded; passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL ADVISOR: Attorney Johnson informed the Commissioners they had received RFQs from each of the 3 companies invited to respond, The Commissioners would like for the Council to have input in the decision also. Three companies will be interviewed, then based on the services, the Commissioners choose the services they want and then the 3 companies will give their costs. Attorney Johnson stated the cost of the financial advisor is usually a part of the bond issue and not an actual line item on a budget.

COURTHOUSE AND GROUNDS APPLICATION:

▶ Delphi Lions Club – July 5, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to noon for Independence Day Parade

WB/JB

There being no further business, John Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by William Brown; passed unanimously. The next meeting will be July 7, 2014.

CARROLL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

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William R. Scorn William R. Brown, Vice Chairman

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ATTEST:

Elaine Hathaway, Auditor