



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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MINUTES

LAPORTE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday December 18, 2013

To be held at 6:00 p.m. in the LaPorte County Complex Meeting Room #3

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
Commissioner Milsap called the meeting to order.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Ms. Pate led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **ROLL CALL**
All Commissioners were present.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
Commissioner Kora moves to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Decker seconds. Motion carried by voice vote.
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - A. **December 4, 2013**
Commissioner Kora moves to approve. Commissioner Decker seconds. Motion carried by voice vote.
6. **CLAIMS**
 - A. **Payroll Ending 11/08/13-\$983,795.94**
 - B. **Miscellaneous Claims-\$376,665.09**
Correction was made to Payroll Ending. The date was 12/06/13, not 11/08/13. Commissioner Decker moves to approve. Commissioner Kora seconds. Motion carried by voice vote.
7. **DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS**
Robert Young-Highway Department-Informed the Commission that the green Army truck that was recently purchased is performing well. He indicated that bidders were having difficulty obtaining the form needed for the bids so he recommended that all bids be accepted without the form. He then stated they would change their form to include the proper specifications. Commissioner Decker asked if they are still maintaining the Cottage Grove area, Mr. Young indicated that he thought they were but was not 100 % sure, he asked if service was supposed to be discontinued there, Commissioner Decker stated that the County doesn't have the jurisdiction to maintain those roads, unless the law dictates that we can due to the Road by Common Use rule.
Mike Yacullo-Highway Engineer-Appeared before the Commission to discuss the decision made by the Energy Savings Committee. He indicated that a workshop was held and they reviewed two separate submissions.
8. **CORRESPONDENCE**
None
9. **REQUESTS**
None
10. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. **Tony Mancuso-Second reading updated LaPorte County Food Ordinance.**
 - B. **Jerry Cooley-Recommendations for 2014 proposals.**
 - C. **Robert Young-County Highway-Bid opening for Class 1-Crushed Limestone, Class 2-Bituminous patching/Rap Material, Class 3-Blast Furnace Crushed Slag, Class 4-Gravel & Ice Sand, Class 5-Nolead, Low Sulfur Diesel Motor Fuel & E85, Class 6-Signs & Sign Post, Class 7-Culvert Pipe & Guardrail.**
11. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. **Joyce Leon/Joie Winski-Announcement regarding open enrollment for Deferred Compensation Program.**
 - B. **Consider adoption of Credit Card Policy for County per recommendation of State Board of Accounts.**
 - C. **Mitch Bishop-County Planner-Consideration of Phase II of County landfill conversion study from Weaver/Boos from Economic Development funds.**
Update on HSIP Grant County-Wide Signage Project
Transportation Alternatives Project for Rolling Prairie Sidewalks.
 - D. **Mike Yacullo-Update on Federal Aid Project Applications for three county bridge construction projects.**

- E. Notice of date for first Commissioners meeting in 2014.
- F. Consideration of closure for New Year's Eve.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

13. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

14. ADJOURN