

RECORD OF A WORK SESSION HELD BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE ARMORY CIVIC CENTER MEETING ROOM ON WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 9, 2015 AT 6:00 PM.

The December 9, 2015 Work Session was opened by Chairman Barry Richardson. Other Commissioners present: Bertadean Baker, Victor Hunt and Jennifer Jordan. Others in attendance: County Manager Linda T. Worth and Finance Officer Gloria Edmonds.

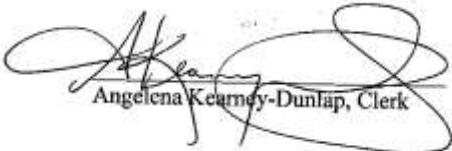
Commissioner Davis arrived at 6:05 pm.

A moment of silence was followed by Department Head Reports from Janytta Bell, Director-Veteran Services and Starlin Beatty, Tax Administrator. Economic Development Director Ken Bowman requested a brief audience with the Board to present newly developed tourism brochure.

Items of Discussion:

1. **Retiree Health Benefits: Ellen Tucker, Benefits Consultant with Hill, Chesson & Woody made a presentation, entitled “Pre – 65 Retiree Coverage consideration.” Additional information will be presented to the board as it becomes available.**
2. **Update from Heritage Quilters Giving Circle use of the Hendricks House was given by JereAnn Johnson**
3. **Update from Warren County Community Center by Community Center Board of Trustees Chairperson, Shauna Williams was given.**
4. **County Manager Worth informed the Board of a Focus Group held to discuss implementing “Stepping Up Initiative” and submitted possibility of a 5 county Collaborative Effort consisting of approximately 16 members. The Board agreed to participate with the other counties interested in forming a collaborative.**
5. **Commissioner Hunt gave a report of ‘Roads Committee Recommendations’. The board received recommendation and agreed the matter is to be placed on the January 1, 2016 agenda for Board action. Chairman Richardson informed the Board that he would remain neutral on the subject, since he owns property in TOT Subdivision.**
6. **Planning/Zoning Administrator Ken Krulik presented proposed zoning regulations for solar farms in zoned and un-zoned areas. The proposed ordinance and amendments to the County’s Official Zoning Ordinance both require a public hearing. Scheduling two (2) public hearings will be placed on January 4, 2016 agenda.**
7. **Proposed Warren County Voluntary Educational Involvement Leave Policy will be placed on January 4, 2016 agenda.**
8. **County Manager Worth gave an update regarding Buck Spring Project – Phase I, architects met with committee members to discuss preliminary plans for the cabin to be constructed in Phase I. Site has been taped off for the new building.**
9. **Commissioner Davis provided correspondence from Halifax Electric regarding Eaton’s Ferry Bridge Lights; better lights will be provided at each end of the bridge. Additional lights on bridge is not possible because it poses a safety hazard during installation.**

Work Session adjourned at 8:15pm.



Angelena Kearney-Dunlap, Clerk