

Hancock County Board of Commissioners' Minutes

May 31, 2016

Commissioners met in regular session. Those present were Commissioner Brad Armstrong, President, Commissioner Marc Huber, Vice President and Commissioner Tom Stevens.

Auditor Robin D. Lowder and Deputy Auditor Emily R. Moore were also present.

Hancock County Board of Commissioners' Meeting began at 8:00 a.m.

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:17 a.m.

Highway Department

County Engineer Gary Pool appeared before the Hancock County Board of Commissioners to discuss:

Shelby Farms- Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool has been speaking with the property owner of the land around the intersection at 200N and 700W about possible donation of Right of Way. This possible trade would result in a safer road. Commissioners would entertain a possible proposal.

Bridge 2- Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool stated that construction on Bridge 2, located at 200N 400W, would begin June 20, 2016. Utilities are already in place.

Joe Hollis Replacement- Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool stated that they are still in the process of replacing Joe Hollis. He has been looking at applicants.

Surplus Trade With Michiana- Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool requested the following items be declared surplus:

- *1-Hydra Tech portable hydraulic pump
- *1-Atlas Copco LPD-RV hydraulic post driver
- *1-Generic hydraulic post puller
- *1-Hose reel with 50' of hydraulic hose
- *1-2 ¼" drive bit
- *1-2" drive bit

All equipment taken in trade with no implied warranties and in "AS IS" condition from Hancock County Surplus materials will be used for trade with Michiana.

Commissioner Stevens moved that the list previously outlined be declared surplus. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

Micro Seal- Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool stated that micro seal in neighborhoods will start in mid-June. He also stated that fliers will be distributed to homeowners before work is started in order to keep everyone aware.

Paving- Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool stated that the paving operations are underway and that the Highway Department is very busy. CGS is on contract if their services are needed.

Hazmat Pay- Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool stated that the Highway Department is adding Trevis Wiggington to Hazmat Pay. (\$.50) Trevis is the first to qualify for this new pay incentive.

Distributor Truck- Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool presented some figures and a discussion was had on distributor trucks. (new, used, rebed 165) At this time, Hancock County Engineer is still undecided. He stated that he will have a recommendation at the next Commissioners' Meeting.

Bridge 105- Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool stated the Bridge 105, 900E over Big Blue, will be painted. The issue is FHWA color specifications, in Standard RGB. The Commissioners are leaving the decision to the discrepancy of the County Engineer.

Hancock County Emergency Operation Center

NineStar Claim- John Jokantas appeared before the Commissioners with a recommendation to make payment of claim to NineStar. Hancock County Attorney Ray Richardson recommends that the County needs to see contract with Level 3 before paying the claim. Commissioners agree.

Cemetery Commission- John Jokantas stated that he was contacted by the Cemetery Commission about parking a trailer that is owned by the county in the E-911's back lot. The Commissioners decided that that would be fine.

Hancock County Emergency Management

EMA Deputy Director Resignation/New Deputy Director Approval- EMA Deputy Director, George Boaz, retired effective May 20, 2016. Misty Moore presented his resignation for Commissioners' acceptance. Commissioner Stevens moved to accept resignation of George Boaz effective May 20, 2016. Commissioner Huber seconded. Discussion: Commissioner Armstrong thanked George Boaz for his years of service and hard work. Commissioner Armstrong called for a vote. 3 yeses. Motion carried 3/0. Misty Moore requested approval of the rehire of Joe Fitzgerald as EMA Deputy Director. Commissioner Stevens moved authorization of the hiring of Joe Fitzgerald for replacement of the EMA Deputy Director effective May 23, 2016. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

Hancock County Clerk's Office

Voting Equipment- John Apple appeared before the Commissioners, on behalf of HC Clerk Marcia Moore, to request approval of election equipment upgrades and rental. The purchase of equipment would include a Digital Scanner 850 / \$111,159.70, Rental of equipment / \$7,348.80, and Misc. equipment / \$5,250 for a total amount of \$123,758.50. Also, Mr. Apple stated that the two new election sites will be the Wellness Center in McCordsville and the New Palestine Community Room. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the Election Office CCD expense for an amount not to exceed \$123,758.50. Commissioner Huber seconded. Public Comments: John Priore feels there is a need to wait on renting equipment until the public meeting with ESS on June 21, 2016 but does think that the purchase of a new scanner is necessary. Mr. Priore feels that the voting center locations need to be reassessed. George Langston stated that he agrees with the purchase of a new scanner. However, Mr. Langston feels that the County needs to look at schools as possible voting centers and he also believes that the McCordsville site is a safety hazard. Discussion: The Commissioners believe that everyone is in agreement that a new scanner needs to be purchased and that the real objection is the \$7,348.80 for rental of equipment for other voting sites. Motion carried 3/0.

Hancock County Commissioners Proclamation

Amateur Radio Week- John Reeves, President appeared before the Commissioners to request that a Proclamation for Hancock County Amateur Radio Club be declared for the week of June 20 – June 26, 2016. Commissioner Stevens read the Hancock Amateur Radio Club Proclamation into record. Commissioner Stevens moved that the week of June 20 – June 26, 2016 be declared as Amateur Radio Week. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

Hancock County IT Department

Schneider Contract- Bernie Harris appeared before the Commissioners to request signing of a renewal contract with Schneider for professional services for an amount of \$16,525. (GIS & Maintenance) Commissioner Stevens moved approval of signing for a professional services contract between Schneider and Hancock County for an amount not to exceed \$16,525 per year. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

ESRI Contract- Bernie Harris appeared before the Commissioners to request signing of a renewal contract with ESRI for software maintenance for an amount of \$14,050. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of signing for a software maintenance contract between ESRI and Hancock County for an amount not to exceed \$14,050 per year. (1 year) Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

Hancock County Surveyor's Office

Data Sharing Initiative with State- John Milburn appeared before the Commissioners to request permission to share data information with the State that may have many potential benefits for the County. Also, this sharing of information will be at no cost to the County. (halted before because of cost) Commissioner Huber moved to allow John Milburn to share information with the State that was requested to update their GIS system. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

Hancock County Agricultural Association

Commissioners/Council/Agricultural Association Meeting Dates- Barb Pescitelli appeared before the Commissioners so that a meeting could be set for a discussion on the fairgrounds. A meeting has been set for July 12, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. to be held at the H.J. Ricks Centre for the Arts located at 122 W Main St Greenfield IN 46140.

Action Items

Claims and Payroll- Commissioner Huber moved approval of the claims and payroll as presented. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

Minutes- Commissioner Huber moved approval of the May 17, 2016 Commissioners' Minutes as presented. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

Memorandum of Understanding between Purdue University and Hancock County-

Commissioner Stevens made a motion to accept the MOU between Purdue University and Hancock County for Solid Waste. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

Railroad CSX- Commissioner Armstrong stated that because of a deadline issue that arose the Railroad CSX for \$20,200 was funded out of CEDIT. This will be removed from the Action Items.

Building Projects- Commissioner Huber stated that he had a discussion with Vail's Concrete about the proposal that was submitted for work to be completed at the Memorial building. Discussion was had between the Commissioners. (handrail isn't included in quote) Commissioner Huber moved approval of the quote from Vail's Concrete to replace the ADA ramp on the west side of the Memorial building for an amount not to exceed \$2,500. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

A discussion of housing HC inmates at other jails and how many prisoners are in the HC jail because they can't make bail was had. The Commissioners are going to request information from the Sheriff's Department. Until issues are resolved it is on hold.

The Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, President

Commissioner Marc Huber, Vice President

Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor