

## **Hancock County Board of Commissioners' Minutes**

**September 20, 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 was also present.

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

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:20 a.m.

### **Highway Department**

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

**Bridge Report-** Steve Jones and Chris Dyer from United Consulting appeared before the Commissioners to present the 2016 Bridge Report. (flash drive included) Information during presentation consisted of: Hancock County's number of total bridges, recommended maintenance items, new bridges, rehabilitation list, and a replacement list. Information on where Hancock County compares to other counties was also provided. Hancock County is in full compliance with state and federal requirements at this time. Commissioner Stevens moved to accept Bridge Report for 2016. Commissioner Huber seconded. Discussion: Comments on how well Hancock County is doing at this time. Motion carried 3/0.

**Annual Bids-** Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool appeared before the Commissioners and stated that the process for annual bids will begin soon. All contractors have voiced a willingness to carry over prices for 2017. The County Engineer's recommendation, at this time, is to carry over previous year's pricing for the neighborhood snow removal. Commissioners agree.

**CADD Set Up-** Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool appeared before the Commissioners to request permission to hire someone to help set up the CADD system at the Highway Department. He feels that he needs to hire a person for about three days (eight hours a day), to help set up the system. Commissioner Stevens moved to allow the Highway Department to hire a part-time person to set up CADD system using part-time monies in an amount not to exceed \$50 per hour. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

**Chip Box-** Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool and Randy Moore appeared before the Commissioners to update them on the chip seal and paving schedules. Chip Seal should be done this week and then the Highway Department will be back to paving and hope to be done by November.

**Reimbursement-** Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool appeared before the Commissioners to update them on the submission of paperwork for the \$1million Matching Grant Fund for local road/bridge. Paperwork will be submitted later in this meeting to form funds.

**Grant Applications-** Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool appeared before the Commissioners to request permission to approach Council for commitment for their portion of the grant matches.

Grant applications are as follows:

- STP Bridge 62 (300 N over Sugar Creek)
- STP 600 W Broken Arrow to Bridge 145
- HSIP (500 W – 300 S) HSIP fund 90/10 split and New Palestine in for 50% of last 10%. No ROW or PE so Town and County will split 50% of that amount.
- TAP Pennsy Trail from 400 W to 500 W

Commissioner Stevens made motion to authorize Gary Pool to approach Council for County's portion for four Federal Aid projects as described. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

**Distributor Truck Bids-** The following bids were presented and opened by the Commissioners for purchase of a distributor truck for the Hancock County Highway Department.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.Brandeis Machinery & Supply Co.	\$212,536.76
2. Southeastern Equipment Co. Inc.	\$219,697.00
3. Southeastern Equipment Co. Inc.	\$216,697.00
4. Southeastern Equipment Co. Inc.	\$221,910.00(freightliner chassis)

Commissioner Stevens made motion to accept bids and present to the Highway Department and the Hancock County Attorney for review and tabulation in order for a recommendation at the next meeting. (October 4, 2016) Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

### **Indianapolis Regional Airport**

**Air Show-** Mark Van Santz and Jim Snellenberger appeared before the Commissioners to request support. Mr. Van Santz and Mr. Snellenberger presented information about the Commutative Air Force / Wings Over Indy program. This is a non-profit program that is done to honor Hoosier Veterans. The program provides many different aspects and would like to include an air show portion to the program. The Indianapolis Airport Authority doesn't want the air show portion because of liability. Mr. Van Santz and Mr. Snellenberger request support from the Commissioners for the air show portion. Commissioners encourage them to them to move forward with working with the Indianapolis Airport Security to try and reach a compromise in order for the air portion and try to make it a part of the show.

### **Court House Lawn**

**Awareness of Domestic Violence Month-** Rachel Dennis appeared before the Commissioners to request permission to place crosses on the Court House Lawn to promote awareness of domestic violence. Commissioner Stevens moved to allow placement of crosses to promote Domestic Violence Awareness month on the Court House lawn starting immediately after Riley Days (Oct.10, 2016) thru the first week of November. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

### **Hancock County Prosecutor's Office**

**Prosecutor/Sick & Vacation for Employee-** Hancock County Prosecutor Brent Eaton appeared before the Commissioners to request guidance on where to move money from in order to pay an employee's sick and vacation time who is leaving the County's employment. A discussion was had. Commissioner Huber made motion to transfer \$1,055.33 out of 1001.12600.000.068 PERF to 1001.13301.000.068 Severance Sick Pay. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0. Commissioner Huber made motion to pay \$3,324.33 for sick and vacation pay for employee leaving the Prosecutor's Office to be paid out of severance. Commissioners Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0. A request was made for these benefits to be incorporated in the grant in the future.

### **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 9/06/16 Commissioners' Minutes as presented. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3.0.

**Reliance Standard Group Accident Policy-** Commissioner Stevens moved that, effective immediately, the Group Accident Policy #VAI 825575 with Reliant Standard Life Insurance Company be terminated. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

**Reliance standard Group Critical Care Illness Policy-** Commissioner Stevens moved that, effective immediately, the Group Critical Care Illness Policy #VCI 800539 with Reliant Standard Life Insurance Company be terminated. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

**Declare Sheriff Vehicle Surplus/Sign Title-** Commissioner Huber moved that a 2013 Chevy Tahoe with VIN #1GNLC2E09DR340555 be declared surplus. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

**Performance Bond Acceptance-** The Commissioners were presented a Performance Bond with CalAtlantic Homes of Indiana, Inc. for Bay Creek East Sec 5 – Monuments – for an amount of \$6,287.50. Commissioner Huber moved acceptance of the Performance Bond with CalAtlantic Homes of Indiana, Inc. for Bay Creek East Sec 5 – Monuments – for an amount of \$6,287.50. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

**Commissioners Budget Transfer/ Weed Specialist-** Commissioner Huber moved to allow a budget transfer for \$597.62 from 1001.22403.000.0068 Weed Specialist Chemical to 1001.11408.000.0068 Weed Specialist. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

**Fairgrounds Resolution-** Commissioner Stevens presented a letter regarding the Fairgrounds to be considered by the other Commissioners. This letter offered Commissioner Stevens comments and thoughts for corrections to the referenced agreement which was written by Ray Richardson and introduced on August 16, 2016. A hard copy may be seen in the Auditor's Office. Also, the President of the 4-H Agricultural Association Barb Pescitelli appeared and submitted a document for consideration and would also like to be put on the Commissioners' Agenda for the next meeting. The 4-H Agricultural Association has been put on the Agenda for 9:30 a.m. on 10-04-16.

**Ordinance No. 2016-9B-** Commissioner Huber introduced Ordinance No. 2016-9B an Ordinance establishing the Rainy Day Restricted Fund. Commissioner Huber moved to authorize adoption on the same day of introduction. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0. Commissioner Huber moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2016-9B. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

**Ordinance No. 2016-9C-** Commissioner Huber introduced Ordinance NO. 2016-9C an Ordinance Establishing the Local Road and Bridge Matching Grant Fund. Commissioner Huber moved to authorize adoption on the same day of introduction. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0. Commissioner Huber moved to adopt Ordinance NO. 2016-9C. Commissioner Huber moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2016-9C. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

**Amended Minutes for 8-30-16-** As clarification on the Minutes for 8-30-16 the following was submitted for approval: *Increase of Fees- Dean Folkening appeared before the commissioners with a request to increase his budgeted amount to allow a dollar copy fee for recorded documents for the Hancock County Weed Department. A discussion was had. Commissioner Huber made a motion to increase the budgeted amount to allow a dollar copy fee for recorded documents for the Hancock County Weed Department for mowing liens effective immediately.* Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the amended minutes for 8-30-16. Commissioner Stevens seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

**Health Insurance-** The Commissioners, Angela Ridgway from USI, and Hancock County Attorney Ray Richardson held a discussion about the County's health insurance. Commissioner Huber voiced his concerns about our insurance coverage. He is very upset about the lack of effort on the part of USI on keeping the county updated and well informed about the changes that have been occurring. He feels USI "dropped the ball". A discussion was had about filing for a new agent of record. (pros/cons) Later in the discussion, Brian Brees and Aaron Mercer from Patriot Insurance Company presented what they felt they could do for the County if they were to be named the agent of record. Discussion was had on whether to name a new agent immediately, open for presentations, or to allow to be dealt with when insurance presentations are made. Commissioner Huber made motion to terminate agent of record with USI and to establish agent of record with Patriot Insurance Company through Broad Street Brokerage pending a contract that is met with approval of the Hancock County attorney and a

motion that also gives President Brad Armstrong permission to sign said contract. Commissioner Armstrong seconded. Discussion: Commissioner Stevens voiced his concerns about voting approval of this issue on facts that were presented a year ago. Motion carried 2/1. Commissioner Stevens voted no.

**Health Insurance Renewal Date-** The Commissioners set a renewal date for Health Insurance Presentations for October 18, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

**Superior Court 1 Plaster Repair-** A proposal was submitted for Superior Court 2 from Redline Construction for plaster repair and sealant for windows for an amount of \$2,800. Commissioner Stevens moved to accept the quote from Redline Construction for plaster repair and sealant for windows for an amount not to exceed \$2,800 to be paid from Building Maintenance. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3/0. An estimate was requested for sealant for the windows in the entire Courthouse from Redline Construction.

At 11:30 a.m. Commissioner Armstrong recessed the September 20, 2016 Commissioners' Meeting in order to be reconvened at Tour of Italy Café 5 American Legion Place Greenfield IN 46140 at 4:00 p.m. on 9-22-16 to discuss Economic Development.

The September 20, 2016 Commissioners' Meeting reconvened September 22, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. at Tour of Italy for a discussion on Economic Development. (5 American Legion Place Greenfield IN 46140)

The Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Hancock County Commissioners

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Commissioner Brad Armstrong, President

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Commissioner Marc Huber, Vice President

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Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Robin D. Lowder  
Hancock County Auditor