

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

May 20, 2014

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

Auditor Robin D. Lowder was also present.

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's meeting began at 8:00 a.m.

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:29 a.m.

Highway Department

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

Bridge Inspection – the bridge inspection for 2010-2012 are clear to close at this time. There was a delay due to a dispute of a double reimbursement. Commissioner Stevens moved to close the Purchase Order for the project known as DES#1005718. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Bridge# 114– on 600 W. there are five to six parcels the county will need Yasmin Stump's services on. They are hourly contracts but will have a not to exceed of \$75,000.00 for DES#040037 on 600 W. Broken Arrow Dr. to U.S. 40 and \$25,000.00 for Morrystown Pike parcels. Commissioner Stevens moved to enter into a contract for legal services with Yasmin Stump law group for 600 W. Broken Arrow Dr. to U.S. 40, 600 W. project for an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0. Commissioner Stevens moved to enter into a contract for legal services with Yasmin Stump law group for right-of-way service on Bridge# 114, Morrystown Pike project not to exceed \$25,000.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Parcel 19 – the right of way being purchased from Greg Sutter needs to be adjusted by \$1,000.00 to replace trees. The appraisal is being changed. Commissioner Stevens moved to authorize the purchase of property known as 30-10-06-300-048-001-013 owned by Greg Sutter in the amount of \$7,100.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Parcel 20 – owned by Toni Dellekamp, the original offer was for \$6,230.00. She countered with \$8,046. To avoid acquisition cost that could be as much as \$20,000.00, it is recommended to accept the counter offer.

Ordinance 2014-5C – An Ordinance Amending Speed Limits – The Commissioners questioned the advertising and amending of the Ordinance in this manner. They will wait on the arrival of the county attorney for legal counsel.

Bridge# 59 – the cost will be 80% reimbursable, there will be a change order.

Bridge# 91 – Received approval of Federal aid and requesting permission to go to County Council to ask for approval for design to be done this year. The design cost will be about \$60,000.00. Commissioner Stevens moved to authorize the expenditure of \$60,000.00 to move forward on Bridge# 91. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Gravel Road – 1000 E. between 350 N. and 400 N. has a very low volume of traffic and no houses. The road would be better served as a gravel road.

AT & T Easement – the paperwork has not been received from AT&T at this time.

Twin Oaks – The old oak tree has lost a large limb from the tree. The tree will need to be cut down for safety reasons.

Bridge# 145 – there have been no accidents in ten years at this location and the design has the guard rail in yards. There will be no hazard to remove the guard rails from the yards.

Rudd Crack Sealing– Highway was able to collect \$5,000.00 from Rudd Crack Sealing.

Crack and Seal – work will begin on the contract next week.

Road Evaluation – roads will be evaluated for condition, traffic, and by township for transparency. Will use the Citizen Advisory Committee.

Overtime – overtime is helping catch up on the winter damage. It is about 75% done. When people call in to report damage they are given a ticket number they can call in later and check on their number.

Debris Management Plan – lighthouse readiness group coordinates within the County during emergency situations.

IAHS – County Engineer Gary Pool will attend the conference on June 4th and 5th.

Passing Blister – at 600 W. and U.S. 52, property owned by Dr. Lloyd Jones. New Palestine was annexed and the road way should belong to New Palestine at this time. Engineer Gary Pool will verify where the annexation stops.

Pensy Trail – Town of Cumberland will pave to 600 W. if the Commissioners approve of them doing so. The Commissioners feel this is a good plan.

Sight Distance Problem – located at 300 S. and 500 W. the owner is fine with cutting down the trees and they will be replaced with six to eight new pine trees. The stop sign has been moved and a stop bar added to correct the problem.

Ordinance 2014-5C – There is no issue with amending the ordinance this way per the county attorney. Commissioner Stevens introduced Ordinance 2014-5C An Ordinance Amending Speed Limits. Commissioner Stevens moved to suspend the rules and allow passage on the day of reading. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0. Commissioner Stevens moved to adopt Ordinance 2014-5C An Ordinance Amending Speed Limits. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Update – Highway Superintendent Randy Moore appeared before the Commissioners to inform them that 1020 tons of patch has been used this year compared to 820 tons last year. The new work order system is working out well, there have been 849 work orders and 607 are complete. 600 N. from S. R. 9 to 50 W. will be paved next week.

Gallahue

Annual Report – Dottie Gullion, Allison Bordeaux, Matt Oliver and Suzanne Clifford appeared before the Commissioners to present the annual report for 2013 Gallahue Community Mental Health Center. Services were broken down by type of services and service program payer. The group explained the county is the match for their Federal funding. The Commissioners requested to see the return on their investment. They were assured next year they will work on providing a show of return of investment and health economics.

Surveyor

Log Jam – Susan Bodkin appeared before the Commissioners to request removal of a large log jam at 5660 S. 200 E. There is water getting through. The Commissioners encourage obtaining quotes. They will have to wait to see if there is enough funds remaining after the issue in Sugar Creek is completed.

Public Hearing

Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting Recessed- President of the Board of Commissioners Derek Towle recessed the Hancock County Board of Commissioners for a public hearing at 9:40 a.m.

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Ordinance 2014-5A - Ordinance 2014-5A An Ordinance Re-Establishing The Cumulative Bridge Fund. Be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of Hancock County, Indiana, That Section I Section 33.02: Cumulative Bridge Fund (A) Pursuant to IC 8-16-3 there is hereby created the Cumulative Bridge Fund. (B) In compliance with IC 6-1.1-41 there is hereby re-established a tax of five cents (\$0.05) on each one hundred dollars (\$100) assessed valuation of all taxable personal and real property within the county or municipality. (C) Such tax shall be of full force and effect immediately and shall continue at that rate until changed by ordinance.

Public Comment- John Priore stated that this effects people not hitting the caps yet/always hits these people. He is not really against this just wants to make aware this same group keeps getting hit. It is a small amount.

Close Public Hearing/Reconvene Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting – President of the Board of Commissioners Derek Towle closed the public hearing and reconvened the Hancock County Board of Commissioner’s meeting at 9:43 a.m.

Commissioner Stevens moved passage of 2014-5A An Ordinance Re-Establishing The Cumulative Bridge Fund. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting Recessed- President of the Board of Commissioners Derek Towle recessed the Hancock County Board of Commissioners for a public hearing at 9:45 a.m.

Public Hearing- President of the Board of the Commissioners Derek Towle called to order a public hearing at 9:45 a. m.

Ordinance 2014-5B - Ordinance 2014-5B An Ordinance Re-Establishing The Cumulative Capital Development Fund. Be it Ordained by the Board of Commissioners of Hancock County, Indiana, That Section I Section 14 of Chapter 33 of Title III of the Hancock County Code is amended as follows:
33.14 Cumulative Capital Development Fund (A) The Board of Commissioners finds that a need now exists for the re-establishment of a Cumulative Capital Development Fund for all uses as set out in I.C. 36-9-14.5-2, which incorporated the uses set out in: (1) I.C. 3-11-6-9; (2) I.C. 8-16-3; (3) I.C. 8-16-3.1; (4) I.C.8-22-3-25; (5) I.C. 14-27-6-48; (6) I.C. 14-44-14; (7) I.C. 16-22-8-41; (8) I.C. 16-22-5-2 through I.C. 16-22-5-15; (9) I.C. 36-9-14; (10) I.C. 36-9-15; (11) I.C. 36-9-16-2; (12) I.C. 36-9-27-100; and (14) I.C. 36-10-3-21. (B) The Board will adhere to the provisions of I.C. 36-9-14.5. The proposed fund will be: \$.0333 for each \$100 of assessed valuation for taxes paid in 2015 and each year continuing until reduced or rescinded.

Public Comment- John Priore stated he disagrees with the County Attorney on individual tax payer on bridge fund.

Close Public Hearing/Reconvene Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting – President of the Board of Commissioners Derek Towle closed the public hearing and reconvened the Hancock County Board of Commissioner’s meeting at 9:56 a.m.

Commissioner Stevens moved approval of Ordinance 2014-5B An Ordinance Re-Establishing The Cumulative Capital Development Fund. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Plan Department

Ordinance 2014-5D – An Ordinance Amending Title XV, Chapter 156, Of The Hancock County Code To Clarify The County’s Fence Standards And To Define “Fence, Decorative”. The Plan Commission gave the Ordinance a favorable recommendation. The Commissioners would like time to review. Commissioner Armstrong introduced Ordinance 2014-5D – An Ordinance Amending Title XV, Chapter 156, of The Hancock County Code To Clarify The County’s Fence Standards And To Define “Fence, Decorative”.

Ordinance 2014-5E – Amending Ordinance 2007-1B Hancock County Indiana, Zoning Ordinance Amending Title XV, Chapter 156, Zoning Of The Hancock County Code Defining and Regulating ‘Park And Recreation Facility’. This Ordinance is the result of a law suit by the bandits. The Plan Commission and BZA recommended a subcommittee be formed to revise and clarify the Ordinance. Commissioner Armstrong introduced Ordinance 2014-5E Amending Ordinance 2007-1B Hancock County Indiana, Zoning Ordinance Amending Title XV, Chapter 156, Zoning Of The Hancock County Code Defining and Regulating ‘Park And Recreation Facility’.

BZA Training – there will be a training program on June 14, 2014 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. to learn what the BZA does.

Sheriff

Mass Notification System – Major Brad Burkhart appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the Mass Notification system. The Sheriff's department recommends going with Blackboard, Inc. for an annual cost of \$19,800.00 and the ability to lock the contract price for three years. There will need to be a single contact person for the system. Commissioner Stevens moved to authorize Brad Burkhart to request a three year contract from Blackboard, Inc. and further the Sheriff and or his designee be the single county contact person for the system at this time. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0. It was noted there would possibly need to be a contact at Emergency Management in the future.

Out of State Travel – Approval is requested for Sergeant Chris Rapp to attend the National DARE conference July 6, 2014 to July 10, 2014 in Grapevine Texas. Approval also requested for Deputy Kyle Addison, Deputy Ted York and Deputy Ryan Nasby to attend a Street Survival Seminar in Skokie, Illinois, June 11, 2014 to June 13, 2014. Commissioner Stevens moved approval for Sergeant Chris Rapp to attend the National DARE conference in Grapevine Texas. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Commissioner Stevens moved approval for Deputy Kyle Addison, Deputy Ted York and Deputy Ryan Nasby to attend the Street Survival Seminar in Skokie, Illinois. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Security Officers - a report on Courthouse Security Officers, Gary Harris and Jay Marx was discussed with the Commissioners. The report covered situations the officers controlled recently.

Chiller – The chiller has been installed and the work completed at the jail.

IT Department

Antivirus – IT Director Bernie Harris appeared before the Commissioners for approval to purchase Kapersky antivirus at a total cost of \$8,910.00 for 360 users for three years. Commissioner Armstrong moved to allow for the purchase of antivirus with Kapersky for a three year renewal in an amount not to exceed a total cost of \$8,910.00. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Action Items

Claims and Payroll – Commissioner Armstrong moved approval of claims and payroll as presented. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Minutes – Commissioner Armstrong moved approval of minutes for May 5, 2014 of the Hancock County Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0

Salary Ordinance Recommendation– the Commissioner’s recommendation is zero salary increase and a separate line item created for the 27th week of Pay, PERF and FICA. Commissioner Stevens moved approval for the zero salary increase and creating a separate line item for the 27th week of Pay, PERF and FICA. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Ordinance 2014-5F – An Ordinance Establishing the TIF RDC Reimbursement Fund #9200 to be a pass-through fund for Federal Reimbursement of the Redevelopment Commission Funds. Commissioner Armstrong moved to adopt Ordinance 2014-5F – An Ordinance Establishing the TIF RDC Reimbursement Fund #9200. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0. Commissioner Armstrong moved to adopt Ordinance 2014-5F – An Ordinance Establishing the TIF RDC Reimbursement Fund #9200. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Disclosure Filings – Commissioner Armstrong moved to enter into a contract with Financial Solutions Group, Inc. for continuing disclosure filings for bonds in amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 for one year. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

The Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Derek Towle, President

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President

Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor