

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

September 30, 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 8:24 a.m.

Highway Department

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

Signatures Credit Application – Credit with LB Foster is needed for a Sheet pile account. This is to stabilize the earth because of water passing at 700 W North of CSX. The estimate is \$25,000.00. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to execute a credit application for LB Foster. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Accident at 1000 N. – Tilted bed struck power line. The employees have received new safety instructions and the highway is ordering overhead power line signs.

Future Bridge Contracts – United Consulting is still generally the same with their review of bridge priorities. Bridge 59 and 145 are completed. We need to have more bridges designed for future use.

Snow Contracts – Snow plow vendors are again willing to hold their pricing. Their job performance is monitored. Gary Pool recommends using same vendors with hold over pricing when it is time for contracts.

Paving is nearly completed.

Weed Board Representative – Gary Pool requests he be appointed to fulfill the remainder of Joe Copeland's term on the weed board. Commissioner Stevens made a motion Gary Pool be appointed to fulfill the remainder of Joe Copeland's term on the weed board. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Signal Timing 600 W/600 N- There was a complaint on the signal timing of 600 W/600 N. The eastern leg's minimum time is too short. The issue is being reviewed.

INDOT Segment A and Segment G – They are working with Segment A and Segment G.

600 W/300 N Intersection Opening – Intersection should be open to full traffic no later than October 21, 2014. It will still require striping and coating.

Cul-de-sacs – These are difficult to pave. They are working on improving the process.

Pavement Markings – They are 40% completed.

Salary and Fuel money – Highway may need to transfer money from Fuel to Salary for a possible shortfall.

Parking Lot Striping Bid Rescinded – Bid rescinded due to funding and paint/weather issues.

Americans Disability Act – Commissioner Towle made a motion for Building Inspector Scott Williams to assist with the ADA. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

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 the September 16, 2014 meeting of the Hancock County Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Freije Water- Dean Freije of Freije water presented his system to the commissioners. It uses no salt to condition the water, scale free and works for 15 plus years. He is presently servicing our County Jail. He is also located in Hancock County and does business with 15 other counties in Indiana. The commissioners requested a proposal for the County Courthouse, Annex and County Extension.

City of Indianapolis/Dept. of Public Safety – Commissioner Armstrong made a motion for Hancock County to enter into an Agreement with the City of Indianapolis, Department of Public Safety, Division of Public Safety Communications for the Emergency Operations Center's Computer-Aided Dispatch/CAD System. Not to exceed the contracted amounts. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Grant Amendment – Community Corrections Director Pat Powers requested to have the Commissioners sign a Grant Amendment. The money has already been appropriated in his budget they only need to sign the Amendment. Commissioners Stevens made a motion to execute Amendment# 1 EDS# D25-14-022 for \$8,464.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

County Extension Out of State Travel – Shelley Vail requested out of state travel for Sarah Burke to attend a National 4-H Educator Conference from October 26th through the 31st. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to allow Sarah Burke to attend an out of state National 4-H Educator Conference in from October 26th through the 31st. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Alley Vacation – Phil Going representing Mike Geryak requested a consensus from the Commissioners in regards to vacating an alley between Lots 10 and 11 in Pierson’s Addition in the town of Philadelphia. Mr. Geryak owns both lots. The Commissioners agreed the property really serves no purpose as an alley now. They felt he should proceed with the process. A public hearing was set for the November 3, 2014 Commissioner’s Meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Jail Corrections Officer Leave of Absence Unpaid – Major Burkhart is requesting per Hancock County Personnel Policy Handbook 4.17 a Jail Corrections Officer be given a Leave of Absence without Pay. This is due to the fact the J.C.O. is out of any leave time. It is not to exceed 90 days within a rolling twelve months. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to allow the request per the Hancock County Personnel Policy Handbook section 4.17. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Ordinance 2014-5D - Ordinance 2014-5D pertaining to fences. It has been more than 90 days since Ordinance 2014-5D was presented to the Commissioners. The Commissioners would like to review the Ordinance and requested the Auditor place this on the Action Items.

The Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Derek Towle, President

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President

Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest: _____
Robin D. Lowder, Hancock Co Auditor