

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

April 2, 2013

Commissioners met in regular session. Those present were Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President and Commissioner Tom Stevens. Auditor Robin D. Lowder was also present.

Commissioner Derek Towle was absent

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:25 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

In The Matter of the Highway Department

Engineer Joe Copeland appeared before the Hancock County Board of Commissioners to discuss the following:

Salt – approval to purchase salt for next season from the State of Indiana on the State bid for 1700 tons. Commissioner Stevens moved to authorize the Highway Department to contract with the State for 1700 tons of salt as recommended for the 2013/2014 snow season. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Bridge Inspection – Request to send out for RFP's for performing Bridge Inspections for 2014. Commissioner Stevens moved authorization for the County Engineer to send out Request for Proposals for performing the County Bridge Inspections. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Summer Hours – Joe Copeland made a request for the Highway Department to have summer hours of four ten hour days starting May 6, 2013 and ending September 27, 2013. Commissioner Stevens moved to authorize the Highway Department to have summer hours with four ten hour days over two shifts, with a small crew off on Mondays to cover Fridays, beginning May 6, 2013 and ending September 27, 2013. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Trade in – proposed trade in with Westside Tractor for \$11,000.00 trade in of a 1989 Trail King Lowboy Trailer. Tabled until the attorney arrives since this was not part of the original quote.

Don Smock Auction – sale of the 2000 Volvo Truck and 1999 Broce Broom, cleared \$16,015.00.

Proposed Road Maintenance Plan for 2013 – A total of 1,200,000 based on \$935,000.00 and an additional \$265,000.00 funds needed from council. Commissioner Stevens proposed we allow the proposed schedule to be presented to council for their consideration. There was discussion that homeowners should be contacted on roads that will be turned back to gravel. The plan will be revised if council does not approve all of the additional funding. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion carried 2/0.

Open Cut – Tsuda requested permission for an open cut of 300 N. The Highway Department does not recommend an open cut since it is a good road they recommend boring. The Commissioners request more information and present it to them again.

E & B Paving – Larry Bowmer appeared before the Commissioners to present plans for the rest park on I-70 eastbound. E & B paving requested exiting the rest park onto 250 N. for fifteen days of pouring cement; which will be about 1600 trucks; the same for stone. E & B Paving will redo 250 N. when finished to repair damage or pay the County to do the work. They will maintain the road while the work is in progress.

Trade In – Attorney Richardson approved trade in of Lowboy Trailer. Commissioner Stevens moved to accept the trade in value on the Lowboy Trailer of \$11,000.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Driveway Variance – Larry Bowmer appeared before the Commissioners with Dr. Trevor Lloyd Jones to request a driveway variance for property located at 700 W. at U.S. 52. The Commissioners had denied the variance on February 7, 2012 and there have been no changes. Dr. Jones stated there were changes, the Highway purchased nonaccess easement and there was a residential driveway approved with the plat. Attorney Ray Richardson stated legally everyone is entitled to get in and out of there property. Mike Dale spoke with the State and they have preliminarily denied access. The Commissioners ask for this to be brought before them again for further discussion in four weeks.

In The Matter of County Sheriff Firing Range

County Sheriff Firing Range – the Commissioners have been asked to waive the permit and zoning fees in the amount of \$617.56. Commissioners Stevens moved to have permit fees waived for both zoning and plan department in the amount of \$617.56. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

In The Matter of Hancock County Public Library

Appointment – Dianne Osborne appeared before the Commissioners with the future director, Dave Gray to request Beverly Gard be appointed to another term on the Library Board. This will be her last term. Commissioner Stevens moved to reappoint Beverly Gard to The Hancock County Public Library Board for a four year term ending May 1, 2017. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

The Commissioners thanked Diane Osborne for her service.

In The Matter of Greenfield in Bloom/Purdue

Greenfield in Bloom - Ed Veenhuizen appeared before the Commissioners to request their support. Commissioner Stevens moved to support Greenfield in Bloom in the amount of \$1,000.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Purdue Horticulture Students Landscape Design – It was proposed to the Commissioners to have a landscape design for the Courthouse Square done by Purdue horticulture students at no cost. The plan would be brought before the Commissioners for their review. Commissioner Stevens moved to grant permission to Greenfield in Bloom to submit the Courthouse Square plan. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

In The Matter of Emergency Management

Performance Grant – Larry Ervin appeared before the Commissioners to submit for signatures the 2012 Emergency Management Performance Grant for salary reimbursement. The department qualified for 50% totaling \$12,769.00. Commissioner Stevens moved to enter into the 2012 Emergency Management Salary Sub Grant Agreement. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Hancock County Access To Critical Infrastructure Information Standard Operating Procedure

Infrastructure – John Milburn added water and sanitary sewer to infrastructure on GIS. John requested the Commissioners to adopt the Hancock County Access to Critical Infrastructure Information Standard Operating Procedures. Commissioner Stevens moved to adopt the Hancock County Access to Critical Infrastructure Information Standard Operating Procedures. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

NineStar Request – requested parcel information from GIS and John Milburn appeared before the Commissioners to request permission to do so. Commissioner Stevens moved to authorize release of data info to NineStar. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

In The Matter of Senior Services

Federal Grant – Linda Hart appeared before the Commissioners to request signatures on the Federal Grant as she was unable to use the entire Grant for 2012 due to not enough matching funds. It can be reallocated in the amount of \$22,934.00. Commissioner Stevens moved to execute grant contract with Indiana Department of Transportation which deobligates \$22,934.00 in Federal Transportation Funds. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

In The Matter of CASA

Child Abuse – Josh Sipes requested because April is Child Abuse awareness month and on April 9th there will be a banquet for CASA and a candlelight march to the Courthouse. Permission is requested to have pinwheels on the Courthouse lawn to represent the death and abuse of children. They will remain on the lawn until April 30, 2013. Commissioner Stevens moved we authorize placement of pinwheels as requested for a period of April 9, 2013 to April 30, 2013. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

The Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting is recessed at 9:39 a.m.

The Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting reconvenes at 9:50 a.m.

In The Matter of Commissioners Action Items

Amended Holiday Schedule – Commissioner Armstrong moved to amend the Holiday Schedule for the Hancock County Regional Water and Sewer District Board of Directors Meeting to convene at 9:00 a.m. instead of 10:00 a.m. October 1, 2013. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Claims & Payroll– Commissioner Stevens moved to approve the claims and payroll as presented. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Minutes – Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the minutes for the Executive Session and Commissioner’s Minutes on March 19, 2013. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Minutes – Commissioner Armstrong moved to amend the vote count on February 19, 2012 Commissioner’s Minutes from 2/0 to 2/1 on the Jail Locks. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Minutes – Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the minutes for the Executive Session and Commissioner Minutes on April 1, 2013. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Clock Tower – Commissioner Stevens moved approval of quote from JJ Smith of Smith’s Bell and Clock for putting controller into clock mechanism in an amount not to exceed \$1,850.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Memorial Building Rules – were given to the Commissioners to review. Commissioner Stevens moved to adopt the rules except the ban on weapons be struck as they do not have that authority. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

House Bill 1011 – John Priore appeared before the Commissioners to let them know that he is concerned about this bill.

Commissioner Stevens moved to recess at 10:19 a.m. until April 9, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. for purpose of an information gathering session put on by the Redevelopment Commission at the Greenfield Chamber of Commerce located at 1 Courthouse Plaza, Greenfield, Indiana 46140. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Hancock County Commissioners

_____Absent_____
Commissioner Derek Towle, President

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President

Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor