

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

June 18, 2013

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 8:04 a.m.

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:34 a.m.

In The Matter of the Highway Department

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

Change Order – for Bridge #23. The project is final. The change order is for an additional \$5,240.18 over the original cost. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the change order for County Bridge # 23. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Double Seal – A list was presented to the Commissioners of roads to double seal gravel instead of dust control. They are County Road 675 E. – U. S. 40 – S. to Township line, 400 E. – SR 234 to Bridge, 500 E. – 700 N. to SR 234, 550 S. – 800 E. to 900 E. Commissioner Stevens moved to accept the program for treating gravel roads as presented. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Bridge Inspection – Twelve proposals were received for Bridge Inspection for 2014. United Consulting was scored as the number one choice.

New Palestine Interlocal Agreement – resurfacing on 400 S. between 400 W. and 650 W. The Hancock County Council and New Palestine Town council have already signed. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the Interlocal Agreement between the Town Council of the Town of New Palestine, Indiana, The Hancock County Council and the Commissioners of Hancock County for proposal of shared cost on CR 400 S. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Patching Machine – The purchase agreement for a 2009 Patcher Injection Patcher (VIN 1W9BP14279P458065) from the Town of Cumberland has been approved by attorney Ray Richardson. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the purchase agreement for the patcher in the amount of \$25,000.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Bid Date – for Pavement Markings is set for July 30, 2013 at 8:30 a.m.

Bid Date – for Crack Seal is set for July 16, 2013 at 8:30 a.m.

Annex Parking Lot – Commissioner Stevens requested Engineer Joe Copeland calculate the cost to pave the Annex parking lot.

Driveway Variance – Larry Bowmer appeared before the Commissioners for approval of a driveway variance located on 600 N. between 300 N. and 200 N. on the south side of the road owned by Ryan Shaffer. The Highway Department gave a favorable recommendation. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the variance for separation distance. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of Hancock Regional Hospital

Hospital Board – Jim Miller appeared before the Commissioners to request the reappointment of Dianne Osborne and Dr. Dean Felker to the Hancock Regional Hospital Board. Commissioner Armstrong moved to Appoint Dianne Osborne and Dr. Dean Felker to Hancock Regional Hospital Board for a four year term expiring June 30, 2017. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of Commissioner's Action Items

Claims – Commissioner Armstrong approved claims as presented. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Minutes – Commissioner Armstrong moved approval of the minutes for June 4, 2013. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of Clerk's Office

Resolution 2013-4-6 - Compliance for Vote Centers with twelve locations. Commissioners Stevens moved for execution of Resolution 2013-4-6 with twelve locations, McCordsville Town Hall, Fortville Municipal Building, NineStar Connect (north of Greenfield) Wilkinson Church of Christ, Brown's Chapel Wesleyan Church, Bell Mortuaries, Brookville Road Community Church, Washington Village Apartments, Hancock County Courthouse Annex, Hancock County Public Library, NineStar connect (east of Greenfield) and the twelfth Vote Center being in Buck Creek at the Vineyard Community Church using wireless pipe and air card, as assessable under IC 3-11-8. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0

ATM Contract – A five year agreement at no cost to the County between Hancock County Government and MTD Investments. Local banks were ask to participate and declined. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the location placement agreement for the ATM machines between the Hancock County Government and MTD Investments for five years. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Bids – for Vote Centers as follows; RBM Consulting, Robis Elections Inc., Quest Information Systems, Election Systems and Software and Hart Interactive. The bids are for electronic poll books, ballot on demand printer and hybrid equipment also with lease options. Commissioner Armstrong moved to request the Election Board tabulate, review bids and make a recommendation in two weeks. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of Fire Alarm Inspection

HC Systems – Harry Sheridan appeared before the Commissioners to present quotes for inspection of the fire alarms at the Courthouse, Courthouse Annex and Prosecutors Office. Annual inspections are required by State Code. Commissioner Armstrong moved approval to have these three buildings fire alarm systems checked in 2013 for an amount not to exceed \$1,695.00. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of the Plan Department

Ordinance No. 2013-6B – An Ordinance Vacation a Public Road. Dennis Barnett appeared before the Commissioners with the required paperwork for vacation of public right of way.

10:05 a.m. – Public Hearing of partial vacation of Garriott is now open if anyone wants to testify. There was no response.

10:06 a.m. Public Hearing is closed.

Commissioner Towle introduced Ordinance 2013-6B. Commissioner Stevens moved to suspend rules to allow adoption of the Ordinance on same day as introduction. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of Ordinance 2013-6B, An Ordinance Vacating a Public Road. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Amending Zoning Commitment – for Michael A. Gerak property located at 2235 West U.S. 40. There was a Public Hearing and the Plan Commission gave a favorable recommendation. Commissioner Armstrong moved to accept the amended commitments as presented. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

University Loft – Kevin Lesley attorney for University Loft appeared before the Commissioners to request reducing the change time variance from 60 seconds to 15 seconds. The Commissioners decided to take no action at this time. The Commissioners University Loft make more information available to them.

Ordinance 2013-6C – Amending Title XV, Chapter 156, of the Hancock County Code to Define, Redefine, and Regulate “Contractor’s Storage Yard” and “Contractor’s Warehouse”. A public hearing was held and the Plan Commission had a favorable recommendation. Commissioner Armstrong introduced Ordinance 2013-6C Amending Title XV, Chapter 156, of the Hancock County Code to Define, Redefine, and Regulate “Contractor’s Storage Yard” and “Contractor’s Warehouse”. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to suspend the rules to allow adoption of an Ordinance on the same day as introduction. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. Commissioner Stevens stated the he is in favor of this Ordinance and thinks it is tremendously good that we are dividing storage yards from warehouses and thinks it is very good we are expanding in area’s other than agricultural and he will vote in favor of the motion but thinks we need to monitor quite closely the effect this has on the County by including the agricultural zoning into it. Commissioner Armstrong stated the agricultural zoning allows industrial type uses. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of Commissioner Action Items

Court Order Offer- Commissioner Stevens moved to accept the Court Ordered offer for Parcel# 3 for 45 days in the amount of \$650,000. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Spy Glass – Mike Farrell, representing Spy Glass, appeared before the Commissioners to give a presentation on the results of his companies auditing of the counties telephone system. The Commissioners gave Spy Glass permission to proceed with the auditing process keeping Bernie Harris the I.T. director informed.

Ordinance 2013-6D - An Ordinance Authorizing LOIT Public Safety Funds to be transferred to the Rainy Day Fund. Commissioner Armstrong introduced Ordinance 2013-6D, An Ordinance Authorizing LOIT Public Safety Funds to be transferred to the Rainy Day Fund. John Priorie spoke against the Ordinance. Commissioners Armstrong motioned to suspend the rules to allow adoption of the Ordinance on same day as introduction and pass on the same day as introduced. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-1. Commissioner Towle opposed as he wants to wait. The Ordinance will be held until next week as the vote must be unanimous to pass the Ordinance on the same day it is introduced.

Capital Items Needed for Council –

- 1) Road needs – 600W south of U. S. 40 in the amount of \$700,000.00.
- 2) Vote Centers – in the amount of \$450,000.00.
- 3) Jail locks \$345,000.00 to repay rainy day fund.
- 4) E-911 CAD system in the amount of \$600,000.00.
- 5) Jail operating system in the amount of \$200,000.00.

Commissioner Armstrong moved to adopt the priority listing for the capital projects needs the Commissioners developed. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Ameristore/MSA Cleaning – an estimate for repairs for water damage in the Courthouse Annex. Commissioner Armstrong moved to authorize MSA Cleaning Services, Inc. to repair water damage in an amount not to exceed \$2,100.00. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

County Extension Building – outside lights and exit signs need replaced. Commissioner Armstrong moved to allow Jim Scott to replace the outside lights at the County Extension Office and two exit lights in an amount not to exceed \$750.00. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Commissioner Stevens moved that The Hancock County Board of Commissioner’s Meeting recess at 12:00 p.m. to attend a meeting at Hancock Regional Hospital, 801 N. State Street, Greenfield, Indiana 46140. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Derek Towle, President

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President

Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor