

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

March 19, 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.

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:27a.m.

Hancock County Board of Commissioners' meeting began at 8:05 a.m.

In The Matter of the Highway Department

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

Settlement Agreement – The Commissioners are ready to finalize payment with Thomas A. Grant, Inc. for property located at 600 W. and 300 N. Renters are in the house to the south on the property. There was a discussion among the Commissioners and Joe Copeland as to what action should be taken with the renters. They were concerned the County would need to pay relocation fees unless the renter voluntarily vacates. The item was tabled until Attorney Yasmin Stump was to arrive later.

Bridge #59 – Title Sheet for Bridge 59 was presented to the Commissioners for signatures. Commissioner Stevens moved to approve execution of the signatures on the Title Sheet for Bridge #59. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Bridge Inspection – United Consulting presented the Bridge Inventory Report Phase II 2012 for the last four year cycle to the Commissioners. The report is completed every two years and is a part of National Bridge Inspection Standards for County owned bridges with a span of twenty feet or greater to stay in compliance with the MBI standard set by the Federal Highway Administration. There are 157 bridges in Hancock County. The report states deficiencies found and priority schedule for replacement.

Driveway Variance – Larry Bowmer appeared before the Commissioners to request approval for a driveway variance for Dr. Trevor Lloyd-Jones d/b/a Devault Corner LLC. The property is located at 1396 S. 600 W. The Highway Department recommends approval of the variance. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the variance at 1913 N. 600 W. for construction of a new driveway. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of Auditing Phone Records

SpyGlass – Dan Bodin III appeared before the Commissioners to give a presentation on what SpyGlass can offer the County. There are no upfront fees and they will review historic billing errors and unused services/cost reduction. Commissioner Armstrong moved approval to enter into an agreement with SpyGlass snapshot Audit Agreement as proposed also to include cell phones. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of the Plan Department

Ordinance 2013-3B – Mike Dale of the Plan Department appeared before the Commissioners for approval of Ordinance 2013-3B. Rezoning of property located at 6141 W. US 52 and owned by Dr. Trevor Lloyd-Jones from Commercial Neighborhood (CN) to Commercial Regional (CR). Planning gave a favorable recommendation. There was no remonstrance. Commissioner Stevens moved to introduce Ordinance 2013-3B an Ordinance Amending the Hancock County, Indiana Zoning Ordinance with commitments and move for adoption of the Ordinance. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0. Approval subject to Land owner's signature.

Annual Report – The Hancock County Plan and Building Commission 2012 Annual Report was presented to the Commissioners. Plan director Mike Dale reviewed the report with the Commissioners.

In The Matter of Hancock County IT Department

ESRI – Bernie Harris appeared before the Commissioners for renewal of a maintenance agreement with ESRI. The cost went up \$2,000.00 as Emergency Operations Center is now included and will pay the increase. Commissioner Armstrong moved to enter into a contract with ESRI for an amount not to exceed \$14,050.00 annually for a contract period to extent through a period of two years. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of Mohawk Reunion

In The Matter of Mohawk Reunion – Julie Reeves appeared before the Commissioners to request the closing of 200 W. from town limit to town limit of Mohawk on July 20th, 2013 from 7a.m. to midnight. Commissioner Armstrong moved to allow for the closing of 200 W. from town limit to town limit from 7a.m. to midnight for the Reunion subject to approval of traffic control by the County Engineer and the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of the Sheriff's Department

Annual Jail Report – was presented to the Commissioners and stated there was a drastic need for a new jail operating system that would cost approximately \$90,000 to \$120,000.

Out of State Training – approval is requested for Deputy Brian Jack to attend training in Memphis Tennessee for use of force training on April 15th and 16th, 2013. Commissioner Stevens moved to approve out of state travel for Deputy Brian Jack as requested. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of Commissioners Action Items

Claims & Payroll– Commissioner Armstrong moved to approve the claims as presented. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Minutes – Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the minutes for February 19, 2013 with the new C.C.D. amounts inserted per Commissioners. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Minutes – Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the minutes for March 5, 2013 and March 12, 2013. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Ordinance No. 2013-3A – An Ordinance Changing Road Schedules. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of Ordinance 2013-3A An Ordinance Changing Road Schedules including Schedule I Bridge Loan Limits, Schedule II. Road Weight Limits, Schedule III. Speed Limits, Schedule VHL. Intersections with Traffic Control Signals. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/1. Commissioner Towle voted no because of the Speed Limits.

In The Matter of Settlement Agreement – between Hancock County, Indiana by its Board of Commissioners, Plaintiff and Thomas A. Grant, Inc., defendant. Attorney Yasmin Stump appeared before the Commissioners to discuss relocation options of the renters. The cost would be \$2,000.00 plus possible rent supplement. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the Settlement Agreement between Hancock County and Thomas A. Grant, Inc. to instruct the initial process of having the tenant notified they must vacate the premises by August 1, 2013 and also Thomas A. Grant Inc. terminate the current lease by giving the required 30 day notice to terminate the current lease by April 30, 2013. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Ordinance 2013-3C – Ordinance Amending Appointments to the Redevelopment Commission. Commissioner Armstrong introduced Ordinance 2013-3C. Commissioner Armstrong moved to suspend the rules to allow for adoption on the day of Introduction. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2013-3C Ordinance Amending Appointments to the Redevelopment Commission, Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Credit Report – Commissioner Armstrong moved approval to complete the credit application with Professional Garage Door Systems, Inc. for future use. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Ordinance 2013-3B – the motion to approve is amended to drop item D, carwash, from the excluded use in the commitment. Commissioner Armstrong moved to approve the amendment of Ordinance 2013-3B to drop item D, carwash from the excluded use in the commitment. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

The meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Derek Towle, President

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President

Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor