

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

May 29, 2012

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

Auditor Robin D. Lowder was also present.

Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting began at 8:01a.m.

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

In The Matter of Hancock County Highway

Highway-Engineer Joe Copeland- Appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the following:

Chip and Seal - Request for approval to approach County Council for funds to chip and seal in front of all homes on gravel roads in the amount of \$155,000.00 and use the \$35,000.00 for dust lay on the remainder of the gravel. Commissioner Towle moved approval for the Highway Department to request additional funding for chip and seal in front of homes on gravel roads in an amount of \$155,000.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion passed 3/0

Existing Agreement – Concerning the existing agreement between the Board of Commissioners of Hancock County and the Town of McCordsville for maintenance of 600W, with the boundaries per the agreement. McCordsville will approach the Commissioners to take over the maintenance once the Existing Agreement terminates.

Culvert - located at 700 W. and 300 S. funding will be divided between the Highway Department and Surveyor's Office as follows. Highway Department has paid for right-of-way for Utt property and will pay for culvert and road work. Ditch Maintenance fund will pay for the engineering study and mitigation upon Board approval. Susan Bodkin, Surveyor is proposing an additional \$61,000.00 be paid by the Highway Department. Engineer Joe Copeland does recommend this proposal. Commissioner Armstrong moved for the Highway Department to pay \$61,425.10 towards the project of relocating the open ditch, W.A. Brier Arm of Doe Creek, in addition to the initial \$61,923.47. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0

Bridge# 114 - Currently working on the design for replacement and request approval to change the driveway for property owned by Brown's and shortening the road with the cul-de-sac. This change will be less expensive than the original design. Approval to proceed is requested from the Commissioners. Mr. Brown appeared stating he is alright with the plan as presented. Commissioner Armstrong moved to allow changes to replacement plan for Bridge# 114 with adjustment of South cul-de-sac and construction of paved driveway option as presented. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

LPA Consulting Contract - between The Hancock County Board of Commissioners and United Consulting for project at 600 W. and 300 N. round-a-bout. Consultant agreement presented for approval and signatures. This is less than the estimated amount. Commissioner Towle moved to approve the LPA Consulting Contract with United Consulting not to exceed \$300,000.00 for intersection improvement at 600 W. and 300 N. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Agreements - two agreements between INDOT and Hancock County are presented to the Commissioners. The projects are located at 600 W. and 300 N. and for Bridge# 59. There is a stipulation in the agreements requiring a resolution from County Council that they will fund the project. Joe Copeland will appear before the Council in June for their approval. Commissioner Towle moved to enter into an agreement with INDOT on Bridge# 59 in an amount not to exceed \$2,560,000.00 with 80% of projected cost to be paid by Federal funds. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Towle moved to enter into an agreement with INDOT for the intersection improvement at 600 W. and 300 N. in an amount not to exceed \$2,328,060.00 with 80% projected cost to be paid by Federal funds. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Great Lakes Chloride, Inc. - provided a quote for calcium chloride at \$0.91 per gallon applied for 42% and \$0.88 per gallon applied for 38%. Total not expected to exceed \$35,000.00. Commissioner Towle moved to accept the quote from Great Lakes Chloride, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Roto Grater - It was presented to the Commissioners the option of selling a Roto Grater at a special auction through Don Smock Auctions. Commissioner Armstrong moved to approve liquidation of a Roto Grater with a reserve of \$20,000.00, also declaring the Roto Grater surplus. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Right-of-Way - Joe Hollis appeared before the Commissioners to request approval to offer \$225.00 for crop damage on right-of-way purchase for the Goods property at 200 N. and 400 W. Commissioner Towle moved approval to offer for the offset of crop damage \$225.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Bond Release - Larry Bowmer appeared before the Commissioners to request approval for a bond release to Central Engineer & Construction for general work in right-of-way in the amount of \$25,000.00. Commissioner Armstrong moved to release the permit bond for work in right-of-way with Central Engineering & Construction in the amount of \$25,000.00. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of the 2013 Budget

Veteran Service Officer - Joe Carroll appeared before the Commissioners to present the 2013 budget in the amount of \$18,324.28.

Public Defender - John Apple appeared before the Commissioners to present the 2013 budget in the amount of \$506,746.00.

Emergency Management - Larry Ervin appeared before the Commissioners to present the 2013 budget in the amount of \$40,466.00. The Grant application for salary reimbursement of 50% for the Director and Deputy Director was presented to the Commissioners for approval. Commissioner Armstrong moved to approve the grant application for 2011 Emergency Management performance grant salary sub grant agreement. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Hancock County Ag Association - Cheryl Reynolds appeared before the Commissioners to present the 4H Association 2013 budget for the whole budget amount of \$167,300.00, of which \$84,600.00 is the County portion.

NASA - Tim Retherford appeared before the Commissioners to present the 2013 budget in the amount of \$18,764.04.

In The Matter of Commissioner's Action Items

May 15, 2012 – Commissioner Towle moved to approve the minutes from the May 15, 2012 meeting. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

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

Nepotism Ordinance - The State adopted a Nepotism Ordinance. The Commissioners requested Attorney Ray Richardson draft a County Nepotism Ordinance including the same list of relatives that are in the current ordinance.

Ordinance 2012-5B - an Ordinance The Regulation of Tattoo Parlors and Body Piercing Facilities. Commissioner Towle moved adoption of Ordinance 2012-5B, an Ordinance The Regulation of Tattoo Parlors and Body Piercing Facilities. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

County Clerk - Marcia Moore appeared before the Commissioners for approval to have a door in her office repaired over the weekend. The Commissioners approved the weekend work.

Ordinance 2012-5C - an Ordinance Establishing The LOIT Rainy Day Fund. Attorney Ray Richardson discussed possible issues with establishing this Rainy Day fund. The Auditor was concerned State Board of Accounts has issues with doing this fund. This item is tabled.

In The Matter of the 2013 Budget

Council for Economic Development, Hancock County - Skip Kuker appeared before the Commissioners to present the 2013 budget in the amount of \$40,000.00 from Hancock County.

Hancock County Senior Services, Inc. - Linda Hart appeared before the Commissioners to present the 2013 budget in the amount of \$32,000.00. Out of this budget is \$10,000.00 for the building fund.

Community Health Network, Inc. D/b/a Gallahue Mental Health Services Hancock County - Dr. Eric Krouse, Dottie Gilliam, Office Manager, Brian Bill, Regional Manager for County and Dr. Matt Oliver, Chief Operation officer appeared before the Commissioners to discuss services provided and how the cost to the County is determined. The Commissioners expressed that they would like to see a return on the funds paid by the County to Gallahue. The Commissioners stated they wanted to see a more comprehensive report on the different services Gallahue offered to the County. The 2013 budget at this time is unknown. The 2012 Budget was \$315,000.

Historical Society - Brigitte Jones did not appear.

Cemetery Commission - Nancy Leach appeared before the Commissioners to present the 2013 budget in the amount of \$1,500.00.

In The Matter of Commissioner's Action Items

Ordinance 2012-5A - an Ordinance Establishing, Regulating, and Defining Agribusiness Type 1, Type 2 and Type 3 was given a unanimous favorable recommendation by the Planning Committee. Commissioner Towle moved adopted of Ordinance 2012-5A an Ordinance Establishing, Regulating, and Defining Agribusiness Type 1, Type 2 and Type 3. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Lot Size - Commissioner Armstrong stated that he would like the Planning Commission to review changing the minimum lot size from two acres to one acre and send a recommendation to the Commissioners.

Elevator - It was stated that Judge Marshall has expressed a concern that the elevator in the Courthouse allows public access to the fourth floor. Commissioner Armstrong stated the elevator company is working on the issue.

The meeting adjourned at 11:18a.m.

Hancock County Commissioners

Tom Stevens President

Brad Armstrong Vice President

Derek Towle Commissioner

Attest: _____
Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor