

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

June 5, 2012

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

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's meeting began at 8:01a.m.

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:10a.m.

In The Matter of Hancock County Highway

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

Crack Seal Pavement - A bid date was set for July 3, 2012 at 8:30a.m.

Emergency Alert Lights - the equipment has been installed at I-70 and Mt. Comfort road. The State of Indiana and the Buck Creek Township Trustee thinks everything looks satisfactory. The bills will be sent to the Redevelopment Commission, with the exception of the bill from A&F Engineering, which has not been received.

ADA - Negotiation with American Structure Point is continuing.

Salt - for next season. The state required ordering at least 70% of last year's total to keep the same pricing. We have met our 80% buy; we ordered 1700 tons last year and ordered 1300 tons this year.

RotoGrader - Attorney Ray Richardson has approved the agreement, with additional verbiage and was presented to the Commissioners for signature.

Heron Creek - Larry Bowmer appeared before the Commissioners regarding Heron Creek located on 200 N. between 600 W. and 700 W. There are two bonds on the property and repairs that need to be made. The request is to after the bonds and for the Commissioners to approve a temporary substandard cul-de-sac at the end of West Whispering Way, contingent upon keeping the right-of-way in place for the eventual extension of the road, when the property to the west is developed. Commissioner Armstrong moved to execute the two bonds, #5030650 and #5030651. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Armstrong moved to allow the temporary cul-de-sac with a diameter of forty-four feet and retaining all right-of-way we currently have, to be installed upon 50% build out of the entire subdivision or 50% build out of West Whispering Way, whichever occurs first. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Citizen Complaint - Kim Pearson complained about weeds in the right-of-way at 300 N. and Carroll Road, she would like them cut. The property she would like to have mowed is in Marion County. Commissioner Towle stated he will look into the matter.

Bridge 97 Quotes - two bids were presented and opened as follows. E&H Bridge and Grating, Inc. in the amount of \$71,435.47 and Marcum's Welding & Steel Processing, Inc. in the amount of \$47,373.20 with add on of three inch steel grid deck for \$33,773.70. Commissioner Armstrong moved that the quotes be turned over to engineer Joe Copeland for review and recommendation later in the meeting. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of EMS Inter-local Agreement

Basic and Advance Life Support for Blue River, Brown and Jackson Townships - Bill Bolander, President of the Hancock County Council, appeared before the Commissioners to respond to questions the Commissioners have regarding the Inter-Local Agreement. There was discussion as to what will happen when this one year fix is over, if the townships will be able to maintain on their own. It was noted that the townships are required to report on their progress in August. There was discussion of the townships forming fire districts. Commissioner Towle moved to enter into the Inter-Local Agreement to fund the three Townships, Jackson, Brown and Blue River, to provide basic and advanced life support emergency medical services in an amount of \$45,000.00 being split between the three Townships evenly. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of the Hancock County Health Department

Emergency Generator - Misty Moore of the Health Department appeared before the Commissioners to request direction on the steps to get a backup generator for the Health Department or for the Annex building. A grant will fund the generator for the Health Department only. The generator is needed to insure refrigeration of the supply of vaccine's kept by the Health Department as well as Public Health Emergency medications that would need refrigeration. The Commissioners suggested looking into hooking onto the jail's generator and/or getting pricing from three companies that provide services requested. Ms. Moore was instructed that the Commissioners would need to approve the work before being done.

In The Matter of Maximus

Professional Consulting Services - John Mallers appeared before the Commissioners to present the Agreement to Provide Professional Consulting Services between Maximus Consulting Services, Inc., and Hancock County. Commissioner Towle moved to renew the agreement with Maximus for Title IV-D vendor subject to the amendment of section 10. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of the Hancock County Clerk

Polling Location - Marcia Moore appeared before the Commissioners for approval to move the polling site that was originally moved from Weston to Greenfield-Central High School, now move it to the Hancock County Library. This will affect Greenfield 4 East and 4 West. Notice will be mailed to those affected. Commissioner Armstrong moved to allow the move of Greenfield 4 East and 4 West from Greenfield Central High School to the Hancock County Library. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Vote Centers - the Commissioners were presented a rough draft of the Vote Center plan and preliminary contracts for eight vote centers. It is predicted that there will be a need for at least eleven vote centers.

In The Matter of the IT Department

New Computers - Bernie Harris appeared before the Commissioners to request approval to purchase twenty-four new computers at a cost of \$29,644.00. Commissioner Towle moved approval of the purchase of equipment for the IT Department with a total not to exceed \$29,644.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Wireless Access - Bernie Harris requested approval to get estimates for wireless access for the courthouse and annex. The Commissioners gave their approval to obtain the estimates.

In The Matter of Bridge 97 Quotes

Quote - Engineer Joe Copeland recommended the low quote from E&H Bridge and Grating, Inc. for a locked in amount of \$71,435.47. Commissioner Armstrong moved to enter into a contract with E&H Bridge and Grating, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$71,435.47. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Legal Note: Per Attorney Ray Richardson the high bid quote was not signed and could not be accepted.

In The Matter of Amateur Radio Week

Proclamation - Bill Smith appeared before the Commissioners to request that June 18th to the 24th be declared Amateur Radio Week. Commissioner Towle moved to proclaim the week of June 18th thru June 24th, 2012 as Amateur Radio Week. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of The Hancock County Commissioner's Action Items

May 22 and May 29, 2012 Minutes - Commissioner Towle moved to accept the minutes for May 22 and May 29, 2012 as submitted. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

County Farm - Commissioner Stevens met with Todd Heller regarding the County Farm.

Exhaust Fans - at the Courthouse restrooms. Repairs are being done to the exhaust fans in the restrooms at the Courthouse.

Elevators - at the courthouse, limiting access to the public. Issues are being worked on.

Ordinance No. 2012-6A - Commissioner Stevens introduced Ordinance No. 2012-6A, an ordinance prohibiting Nepotism.

LOIT Rainy Day Fund - Auditor Robin Lowder stated the State Board of Accounts said we cannot have a LOIT Rainy Day Fund.

Jail Flood - Attorney Ray Richardson has drafted a letter to be sent by the Commissioners to Milestone Contractors requesting reimbursement of expenses from the flood at the jail. Commissioner Towle moved to authorize the Hancock County Board of Commissioner's president to sign the letter drafted by Attorney Ray Richardson to Milestone Contractors requesting reimbursement on expenses from the jail flood. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Employee Manual - the third meeting for the employee manual will be this week.

In The Matter of Vacation of Alley

Warrington - Sonya Ocker appeared before the Commissioners to vacate an alley in the Town of Warrington. She asked if the process could be changed as to how alleys are vacated. Attorney Ray Richardson explained the process is a state law. The Commissioners encouraged Ms. Ocker to follow the vacating process and she agreed.

In The Matter of Hancock County Planning Department

Resolution No. 2012-6-1 - A Resolution of the Hancock County, Indiana Board of County Commissioners Adopting the 2012 Hancock County Comprehensive Plan Update. Mike Dale appeared before the Commissioners to review the Comprehensive Plan Update. The Planning Committee gave the resolution a unanimous favorable recommendation. The Commissioners had questions regarding the trail in an industrial area and different options for trails. The Commissioners requested time to review the Plan. Commissioner Stevens introduced Resolution No. 2012-6-1, A Resolution of the Hancock County, Indiana Board of County Commissioners Adopting the 2012 Hancock County Comprehensive Plan Update.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20a.m.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Tom Stevens, President

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President

Commissioner Derek Towle

Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor