

**Hancock County Board of Commissioners Minutes**

**November 29, 2010**

Commissioners met in regular session. Those present were Commissioner Derek Towle, President, and Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President. Auditor, Robin D. Lowder and Deputy Auditor, Rosemary Melvin were also present.

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 7:59am.

The meeting and recording began at 7:31am.

**In The Matter of** )

**Hancock County Highway** )

**Snow Emergency Procedures** -Engineer Joe Copeland, of the Highway Department, presented to the Commissioners a chart of the snow emergency procedures to be released to the newspaper. Mr. Copeland also presented to the Commissioners procedures to use on the WebEOC to communicate road conditions. The night crew supervisor will contact E911 around 4am with road conditions to be posted to the WebEOC. During the day the Highway Department can access the WebEOC. The Commissioners agreed to the procedures presented by Mr. Copeland.

**American Legion Building** - Joe Copeland received three proposals to inspect the American Legion Building owned by the County for asbestos. 1. ATC Associates Inc. submitted a proposal to do 35 samples at a cost of \$1,490.00. 2. Shrewsberry submitted a proposal to do 50 bulk samples, and two reports at a cost of \$2,100.00. 3 United Consulting submitted a proposal in an amount of \$5,000.00. The Commissioners requested Joe Copeland research the number of samples required for acceptable testing.

**Fire Alarm** - Mr. Copeland appeared before the Commissioners to present a contract renewal with Simplex Grinnell. They provide service for the Fire Alarm at the Hancock County Highway Garage and Maintenance Facility. The one year contract would be a cost of \$2,093.00. Commissioner Towle made a motion to approve the renewal agreement with Simplex Grinnell for contract Number 538176 in the amount of \$2,093.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

**Accident** - Mr. Copeland presented to the Commissioners an Indiana Officer's Standard Crash Report for the highway truck that was hit by a deer.

**Right-of-Way** - Engineer Joe Copeland requested permission from the Commissioners to make offers to purchase property from the land owners for right-of-way land. The property is for bridge 110 at 300 S East of 600E. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to proceed with purchasing right-of-way for Bridge 110. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

**Replace Culvert** - Engineer Joe Copeland appeared before the Commissioners to present a contract for Culvert Replacement and Ditch Improvements along CR 600W from 0.5 to 0.7 mile North of US 52. The Contract is with The Hunt Paving Co, Inc in an amount not to exceed \$223,875.00. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to enter into the contract (low bid) with The Hunt Paving Company, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$223,875.00. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

**In The Matter of** )

**Clerk's Office** )

**Marcia Moore** - appeared before the Commissioners to discuss her options for various changes she would like to make to the Clerk's Office when she takes office on January 1, 2011.

**In The Matter of** )

**Zoning Committee** )

**Maxwell** - Mike Dale, Planning Director, appeared before the Commissioners to present the letter he prepared on behalf of the Commissioners to the Hancock County Area Plan Commission regarding zoning in the Town of Maxwell. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion instructing Mike Dale to proceed with the zoning at his discretion for the property located in Maxwell. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

**In The Matter of** )

**Minutes** )

**November 15, 2010 minutes** - Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2010 meeting. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

**Claims** – Commissioner Towle and Commissioner Armstrong signed claims presented to them.

**In The Matter of** )

**County Insurance** )

**Brown & Brown** - The Broker Services Agreement between Hancock County Government and Brown & Brown of Indiana, Inc. was presented to the Commissioners to be executed. Ray Richardson, attorney, stated he had reviewed the document and made two changes he deemed necessary. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to enter into the Broker Services Agreement with Brown & Brown of Indiana, Inc. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

**Stop Loss Agreement** - The Stop Loss Agreement between Hancock County Government and Anthem Insurance Companies, Inc., d/b/a Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield was presented to the Commissioners for execution. Commissioner Towle made a motion to enter into the stop loss agreement with Anthem Insurance Companies, Inc., d/b/a Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

**Flexible Spending** - The flexible spending contract was presented to the Commissioners for execution. Optium Health rates are the same as last year. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to enter into the Contract with Optium to manage flexible spending plans for the County in an amount not to exceed \$100.00 per month. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carries 2-0.

**In The Matter of**     )

**Henry County Youth Center)**

**Gibault, Inc.** - Wayne Addison appeared before the Commissioners to present the contract between Gibault, Inc.-Henry County Youth Center of Henry County, Indiana and Hancock County for youth beds. The contract is at a cost of quarterly payments of \$57,500.00 totaling \$230,000.00. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to enter into the contract with Gibault, Inc. for an amount not to exceed quarterly payments of \$57,500. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:29am.

The recording stopped at 9:29am.

Hancock County Commissioners

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Commissioner Derek Towle, President

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Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President

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Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Robin D. Lowder  
Hancock County Auditor