

Hancock County Board of Commissioners Minutes

February 22, 2010

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 and Chief Deputy Auditor Rosemary Melvin were also present.

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:03 am.

The recording began at 7:30 am.

In The Matter of)

Hancock County Highway)

Bridge fund - Engineer Joe Copeland appeared before the Commissioners to inform them that bridge number 56 cannot be submitted since Indot assigned it a different number. However, bridges number 114 and 145 will be submitted.

Pothole – located at 600W North of I-70 took six days to be repaired. Mr. Copeland will contact the district director of Reith Reilly to express his concern that it took six days to get to the repair and that is an unacceptable amount of time for the repair.

RFP's - bridge inspection, Commissioners give Mr. Copeland permission to do this.

Job Bill - (like stimulus money) Mr. Copeland requested approval to submit jobs in priority of need. This program has not been passed yet but Indot expects it to go through. Attorney Ray Richardson to review the documents.

Condemnation - Lender request a third appraisal for the Graham's property located at 600W. Commissioners agree that if Lender agrees to sign off on the property with the third appraisal, proceed with ordering the appraisal. However, if Lender does not agree the condemnation will proceed.

In The Matter of)

Appointment)

Hoosier Heartland RC&D Council, Inc. - Commissioner Stevens made a motion to appoint Jon Sparks to the Hoosier Heartland RC&D Council, Inc., for a term ending February 28, 2011. Commissioner Armstrong seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0.

In The Matter of)

United Consulting)

Agreement – presented to Commissioners by and between Hancock County and United Consulting for county-wide locations stimulus resurfacing projects. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to approve the agreement with United Consulting in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of)

Memorial Building)

Door Repair - Tracy Doyle appeared before the Commissioners with a proposal from Bruce Harvey for repair of a door at the Memorial Building. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to approve the proposal in an amount not to exceed \$860.00. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Steps Repair - Ms. Doyle requested repair of front steps at the Memorial building. Commissioners asked Ms. Doyle to gather additional quotes for the repairs.

In The Matter of)

Amended Ordinance)

Ordinance 2010-2F - Commissioner Stevens introduced Ordinance No. 2010-2F, an Ordinance amending Lodging, Mileage and Meal Expenses. The Ordinance is set for discussion on March 1, 2010.

In The Matter of)

Planning)

Ordinance No 2010-2C - an Ordinance revising the Parking Standards for Recreational Vehicles. Mike Dale, Planning Director reviewed the ordinance. Attorney Ray Richardson informed the Commissioners and Mr. Dale that if the Ordinance is not acted upon in ninety days it automatically goes into effect. The majority of Hancock County residents that appeared voiced their concerns and opposition to the Ordinance. Commissioners expressed concern for the Ordinance and ask Mike Dale to make more revisions and to have more specific definitions and fewer restrictions.

Ordinance No 2010-2D - an Ordinance amending title XV, Chapter 156 of the Hancock County Code of Ordinances. An Ordinance adding development standards for meteorological Towers and wind energy conversion systems (WECS).

Commissioner Stevens made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2010-2D. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In the Matter of)

Commissioners' Minutes)

Approval of Commissioners' Minutes of February 16, 2010 -
Commissioner Stevens made a motion to approve the Commissioners' minutes. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

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

In The Matter of)

Community Correction)

Update of final plans and specs - to remodel the Outdoor recreation area into a cell block. Pat Powers appeared before the Commissioners for approval to acquire bids for the work. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to approve requesting bids. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Redesign - Pat Powers requested permission to pursue redesign of interior to accommodate increasing female work release space. Commissioners agree that Mr. Powers look into the redesign.

The meeting adjourned and the recording stopped at 10:14 am.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Derek Towle, President

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, V. P.

Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest:_____

Robin D. Lowder,
Hancock County Auditor