

Hancock County Board of Commissioners Minutes

March 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 7:57 am.

The recording began at 7:32 am.

In The Matter of)

Hancock County Highway)

Excavator - Engineer Joe Copeland presented two quotes for rental of an excavator, to the Commissioners. The quotes are as follows: John Deere provided a quote of \$5,501.36 per month for 12 months, 60 month full payout of \$3,948.05 per month and MacAllister Machinery Co., Inc. provided a quote for rental of \$6,500.00 per month and apply rental toward conversion if desired.

Weed Board - Engineer Joe Copeland requested approval to advertise for a seasonal full time weed control coordinator. The Commissioners approved Mr. Copeland to begin advertising for the position.

Stimulus - Engineer Joe Copeland presented for signatures the Report of Contract Final Inspection and Recommendation for Acceptance of Contract SRS32137, Project 0900617. This document states all work is complete for the projects on 1050 East and 600 East. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to execute the Report of Contract Final Inspection and Recommendation for Acceptance IC639. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

RFP's - Engineer Joe Copeland provided a list of eleven consultants interested in doing bridge inspections. Mr. Copeland will get the ratings from INDOT and evaluate.

Culvert Repair - Repair of the culvert at 500 West just South of US40. Engineer Joe Copeland presented two quotes to the Commissioners for reline of the pipe. Both quotes are for pipe only. Mr. Copeland may use Fisk to install the pipe after checking into the possibility of at least a one year guarantee, as suggested by the commissioners. CPI Supply quoted a price of \$11,194.04 and Indiana Reline quoted a price of \$6,500.00. Mr. Copeland will provide estimate from companies providing complete installation of pipe.

Hiring Committee - Engineer Joe Copeland would like to meet with the committee to inform them of the hiring needs of the Highway Department.

In The Matter of)

Commissioners' Minutes)

Approval of Commissioners' Minutes of March 15, 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)

Release of Bonds)

Performance Bond - Request for release of Performance Bond to Trinity Homes, LLC by Beazer Homes at Deer Crossing, Section 4 for monuments in the amount of \$5,000.00. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to release the Performance Bond to Trinity Homes, LLC by Beazer Homes in the amount of \$5,000.00. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Cash Bond - Request for release of Cash Bond to Trinity Homes for erosion control at Deer Crossing, Section 4 in the amount of \$18,910.00. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to release the Cash Bond to Trinity Homes in the amount of \$18,910.00. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of)

Memorial Building)

Test Results - Mike Adams of MD Restoration, Inc. appeared before the Commissioners to present the results from tests taken on October 9, 2009 and January 28, 2010 at the Memorial Building. Both tests revealed a problem with mold in the Lobby resulting from water damage of some type as well as elevated mold levels in the building. Mr. Adams recommends a complete mold cleaning for the three basement offices, removal of pipe wrap and room under stairwell to be sealed off. The Commissioners request Mr. Adams provide a proposal including a not to exceed amount for the removal of the current insulated pipe wrap, replacement of insulated pipe wrap, sealing off door to room under stairwell and cleaning of three rooms in basement and all contents of those rooms.

In The Matter of)

Zoning Commitment)

Revision of commitment - Mike Dale, Director of the Hancock County Planning Commission appeared before the Commissioners to present the revised letter from the Planning Commission for property located at 633/637 West US40, Greenfield, owned by Petitioner Rick Harrison. The Commissioners reviewed the revisions to the letter and approved the changes as well as the additional change on page four adding mulch to Item c under heading A Excavation/Excavating. The revised letter needs to go back to the Planning Commission and the approved letter will then be presented to the Commissioners.

In the Matter of)

Sheriff Vehicle)

Quarterly Vehicle Report - Major Donnie Smith presented to the Commissioners the quarterly vehicle damage report for the Sheriff's department. Only one claim has been filed. The review board is in the process of determining if accidents/incidents under \$1,000.00 are required to be reported.

Purchase of Vehicles - Major Smith requested permission from the Commissioners to proceed with advertising for bids to purchase 7 vehicles, 2 of which would be reserve cars. The request for bids would be advertised March 30, 2010 and April 6, 2010 with final day to receive bids April 19th, 2010 at 9am. Commissioners approved advertising for bids.

In The Matter of)

E.O.C.)

Tower - Connie Hoy Director of E.O.C. requested approval to take over the Duke electric bill for the tower located on property owned by Chuck Wallace/Wallace Well Drilling. There is no charge for use of the tower by Mr. Wallace so he split the meter on the tower and requested the E.O.C. take over payment for their use. The Commissioners informed Ms. Hoy that she is able to make that decision as department head of E.O.C.

In The Matter of)

Weights & Measures)

Resignation - Richard Lewman appeared before the Commissioners to give his resignation effective April 15, 2010.

In The Matter of)

Community Corrections)

Redesign - Pat Powers appeared before the Commissioners to inform them that the Department of Corrections will be assisting with cost for redesigning the office space. Mr. Powers also request assistance with purchasing the building across from Community Corrections.

In The Matter of)

Disclosure filings)

FSG - Financial Solutions Group, Inc. contract presented to Commissioners for signatures. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to enter into the contract not to exceed \$2,000.00 with Financial Solutions Group, Inc. for services required for continuing disclosure of our bonds. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion passed.

In The Matter of)

GIS Contract)

ESRI –Bernard Harris, IT Director and John Milburn, GIS Coordinator appeared before the Commissioners to request approval for the GIS contract with Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (ESRI). The Contract with ESRI is in an amount not to exceed \$17,995.35. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to approve the contract quotation #20357177 for the GIS server with Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$17,995.35. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

In The Matter of)

County Website)

egov strategies – Auditor Robin Lowder suggested the Commissioners see a presentation for a County Web Site done by egov strategies. Commissioners requested the Auditor set up a demonstration for themselves and the County Council.

In The Matter of)

Tax Sale)

SRI - The contract for the 2010 tax sale to be conducted by SRI was presented to Ray Richardson, Attorney for his review.

The meeting adjourned to the basement of the Annex for review of County surplus items at 9:25 am.

Recording stopped at 9:25am.

Commissioner Towle left the meeting at 8:39 am.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 am.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Derek Towle, President

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President

Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder

Hancock County Auditor