

Hancock County Board of Commissioners Minutes

May 24, 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 7:55 am.

The recording began at 7:30 am.

In The Matter of)

Hancock County Highway)

Stop Signs - Engineer Joe Copeland appeared before the Commissioners to inform them of thirteen stop signs in Cranberry Lake Estates that have been vandalized and will need to be replaced. The cost to replace them will be \$13.00 plus the labor. The Commissioners suggested the situation be reported to the police.

Buck Creek Township Property - The purchaser of the property located at 6032 W. Station Way, Greenfield has requested the following:

- A driveway onto the property. The Commissioners deny his request.
- Permission to use our parking lot. The Commissioners ok use of the parking lot.
- Curing a grade problem on the property. The Commissioners deny this request.

Culvert G-32 - Engineer Joe Copeland appeared before the Commissioners to present the design to replace the wooden structure and straightening the curve in the road. The cost for the bridge is approximately \$100,000.00 and the cost to straighten the road is \$169,059.00. The Commissioners discussed with Joe Copeland several possible variations to the plans. The Commissioners tabled the issue.

Resurfacing - Mr. Copeland appeared before the Commissioners to request permission to use the funds from Precedent to fund the resurfacing of 600W South of US 40. The Commissioners informed Mr. Copeland that he will need to request an appropriation from the County Council. The Commissioners approved the use of the funds from Precedent.

Group 4 Money - Mr. Copeland has applied for Group 4 Money (Road Money) for the Right-of-Way for sections A, B & G of the project on 600W and 300N.

In The Matter of)

Mass and Rapid Transit)

Policy Committee - Commissioner Stevens informed Commissioner Towle and Commissioner Armstrong about the Policy Committee meeting on a study of all modes of transportation and the effect on the spurs around Indianapolis. The Committee is asking how the funds would be shared and suggested a 70% increase in membership dues to also fund the study. The Commissioners agreed on the increase of the membership fee to also include funding for the study.

In The Matter of)

Road Cut Applications)

Morristown Pike - Larry Bowmer of the Highway Department appeared before the Commissioners to request a road cut on Morristown Pike at 4500 South. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to deny the open cut and approve work subject to boring. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

200S – Larry Bowmer of the Highway Department appeared before the Commissioners to request a road cut on 5500 West located East of Briar Creek School. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to deny the open cut and approve with underground pipe. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of)

Reappointment)

Hancock Regional Hospital - Tim Clark, Chairman of the Board of Hancock Regional Hospital appeared before the Commissioners for approval to reappoint Jim Miller and Tim Clark, both for a four year term. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to approve the appointment of Jim Miller and Tim Clark for four year terms ending June 30, 2014. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Bob Keen - President of Hancock Regional Hospital appeared before the Commissioners to present the 2009 Audit Financials. Mr. Keen reviewed the differences in assets from 2008 and 2009 and the improved efficiency of the Hospital.

In The Matter of)

Surveyor)

Schneider Engineering - John Milburn and Susan Bodkin, surveyor appeared before the Commissioners to request permission to share the monument layer on the GIS system with Schneider Engineering. The Monument layer sets out monument points in the County. The Commissioners approved sharing the information with Schneider Engineering.

Memo of Agreement - Surveyor Susan Bodkin appeared before the Commissioners to execute a Memorandum of Agreement between the City, Towns and Hancock County. The agreement is for the parties to work together and share information as one entity. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to enter into the Memorandum of Agreement regarding Cooperation and Coordination of Implementing 327 IAC 15-13 (Rule 13). Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Storage - Surveyor Susan Bodkin requested use of the garage located in the parking lot of the old American Legion property for storage of equipment. The Commissioners did not object to the use of the garage. However, the garage will need to be secured.

In The Matter of)

Hancock Co Economic Redevelopment Commission)

Reports - Dennis Maloy appeared before the Commissioners to present the Hancock Economic Development Council 2010 Work Plan, the 2009 Annual Budget Report and the 2010 Budget.

Resignation - Jack Heiden gave his resignation from the Hancock Economic Development Council. The Commissioners asked Dennis Maloy for suggestions to replace Mr. Heiden.

Mount Comfort Airport - Dennis Maloy appeared before the Commissioners to introduce Bob Palmer, Executive Vice President and General Manager of Federal Express Operations at the Indianapolis International Airport. Mr. Palmer and his partners purchased Indy Jet on June 1, 2009. Their goals for the airport are to make it a destination for corporate business to Indianapolis and to attract corporate aircraft to use the airport as a base. They have applied to the FAA for approval to change the name of the airport to Indianapolis Regional Airport.

In The Matter of)

Stove and Oven)

Request - Major Donnie Smith appeared before the Commissioners for approval to purchase a convection oven and ten burner gas stove for the kitchen at the jail. The Commissioners suggested the funds be requested from the County Council. Major Smith will appear before the County Council to request funds for the purchase.

Video Court - Major Smith received a bill from Photoscan Security Systems for a service call to repair the camera for the video court system. The problem is that the system was found unplugged at the Courthouse. The Commissioners asked Major Smith to look into why it was unplugged and why the plug was not in a secure location. Also, Major Smith needs to discuss with Judge Marshall who will pay the bill for the service call.

Simulator - Major Smith informed the Commissioners that the simulator was here and they have 40 slots. Major Smith would like the reserves to go through the simulator as well.

In The Matter of)

Fortville Property)

Fredrick Fentz - owner of real estate located at 401 S. Main St. Fortville appeared before the Commissioners to request help with a rundown property by his home. The property is poorly kept and Mr. Fentz wants it to be condemned. The Commissioners instructed Mr. Fentz that it would be up to the Town of Fortville to resolve the issue.

In The Matter of)

Amateur Radio)

Proclamation - William A. Smith appeared before the Commissioners to request a proclamation for Amateur Radio Week in Hancock County. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to proclaim June 21st thru June 27th as Amateur Radio Week. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of)

On-Site Medical Clinic)

HJ Spicer Co., Inc - Jeff Fox, representative of HJ Spicer Co., Inc. appeared before the Commissioners to make a presentation of their study for the onsite medical clinic. Bill Barteau, President Hancock Physician Network and Rob Matt, Business Development for Hancock Regional Hospital appeared with Jeff Fox to assist with questions on the presentation. The Commissioners requested that they return with a specific time frame and detailed account of cost for set up of the clinic.

In The Matter of)

Commissioners' Minutes)

Approval of Commissioners' Minutes of May 17, 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)

Henry County Juvenile Facility)

Contract - The Henry County Juvenile Facility was acquired by Gibalt Inc. Gibalt Inc. has agreed to amend the contract between Henry County Juvenile Facility and Hancock County with the original terms remaining. The amendment will make the contract between Gibalt and Hancock County. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to approve the amendment to the Contract Agreement. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

The meeting adjourned and the recording ended at 10:43 am.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Derek Towle, President

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President

Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder

Hancock County Auditor