

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

January 4, 2011

Commissioner's met in regular session. Those present were Commissioner Derek Towle, President, Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President, and Commissioner Tom Stevens. Auditor Robin D. Lowder was also present.

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:24am.

The recording began at 8:08am.

In The Matter of)

Commissioner's Meeting)

Call to Order - Hancock County Sheriff Mike Shepherd opened the January 4, 2011 Commissioner's meeting by calling the meeting to order.

Election of Officers - Commissioner Tom Stevens made a motion to elect Commissioner Brad Armstrong to be President of the Hancock County Commissioners. Commissioner Derek Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0. Commissioner Brad Armstrong abstained.

Commissioner Brad Armstrong made a motion to elect Commissioner Derek Towle to be Vice President of the Hancock County Commissioners. Commissioner Tom Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0. Commissioner Derek Towle abstained.

In The Matter of)

Hancock County Sheriff)

Sheriff Staff - Hancock County Sheriff Mike Shepherd appeared before the Commissioners to introduce his staff. Major Brad Burkhart, Chief Deputy. Andy Craig, Jail Commander. Bobby Campbell, Road Division Commander. Kevin Haggard, Investigations Commander. Tommy Harrison, Operations Commander.

In The Matter of)

Hancock County Highway)

Sign Project- County Highway Engineer Joe Copeland appeared before the Commissioners to present his recommendation for the county Sign Project. He also discussed with them some of the difficulties he was encountering with INDOT on the project. Two proposals were received, Hoosier Company at \$0.78 per post and James H. Drew with a project cost of \$500,000.00. Mr. Copeland's recommendation is to add a \$100,000.00 not to exceed for labor, equipment, material, post and signs with 90% reimbursement for labor and equipment. Engineer Copeland informed them the new manual requires a single arrow warning at every curve. He would prefer to put in place a high number of the signs. Commissioner Towle made a motion to replace the RNS signs in the MPO area with a not to exceed of \$100,000.00 and replace the regulatory and warning signs in the area outside the MPO with a not to exceed of \$100,000.00. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of)

Culvert Inspections)

Proposals - Engineer Joe Copeland appeared before the Commissioners to present the Culvert Inspection Proposals. The proposal's are based on 466 culverts and are as follows:

Shrewsberry	\$125.00 per culvert. Total cost of \$58,250.00
Stephen J. Christian	\$128.50 per culvert. Total cost of \$59,881.00
United Consulting	\$163.00 per culvert. Total cost of \$75,958.00
Bernardin Lochmueller	\$170.00 per culvert. Total cost of \$79,220.00
USI Consultants	\$250.00 per culvert. Total cost of \$116,500.00

Joe Copeland recommends the lowest quote from Shrewsberry. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to accept the quote from Shrewsberry in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of)

Veteran Service Officer)

Appointment - of Joseph S. Carroll as Veteran Service Officer was presented to the Commissioners. Commissioner Towle made a motion to approve the appointment of Joseph S. Carroll as Veteran Service Officer. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of)

Ordinance 2011-1A)

Introduction - Commissioner Stevens introduced Ordinance 2011-1A, an Ordinance Authorizing payment of salaries during a snow emergency.

Commissioner Stevens made a motion to suspend the rules and adopt Ordinance 2011-1A, an Ordinance Authorizing payment of salaries during a snow emergency, the same day it was introduced. Commissioner Towle seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0.

Commissioner Stevens made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2011-1A Authorizing Payment of Salaries During A Snow Emergency. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of)

Community Corrections)

Presentation - Jack Krouse, from Construction Control, appeared before the Commissioners to make a presentation in regards to construction of community correction facilities.

In The Matter of)

Minutes)

December 14, 2010 minutes McCordsville meeting - Commissioner Stephens made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 14, 2010 meeting. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

December 20, 2010 minutes - Commissioner Towle made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 20, 2010 meeting. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00am.

There was no recording.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, President

Commissioner Derek Towle, Vice President

Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor