

Hancock County Board of Commissioners Minutes

March 15, 2011

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

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:25am.

The recording began at 8:00am.

In The Matter of)

Hancock County Highway)

Bridge 60 - Engineer Joe Copeland presented to the Commissioners the Professional Services Agreement between the Hancock County Board of Commissioners and United Consulting for the superstructure replacement of County Bridge No. 60 at 200N over Sugar Creek. Attorney Ray Richardson has reviewed the agreement. Commissioner Stevens moved for approval of the Professional Service Agreement with United Consulting in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Indianapolis MPO - A list of firms interested in working on the Mount Comfort Road project South of I-70 was provided by the Indianapolis MPO. Hancock County and Shelby County have been asked to cut the list down to four or five companies for the MPO to evaluate. Engineer Joe Copeland shortened the list to A & F Engineering, American Structure Point, United Consulting and USI Consulting. Commissioner Stevens attended the Shelby County Commissioners meeting with the purpose of having the interlocal agreement signed for funding the local share of the Phase two corridor study for Mt Comfort Road, South of I-70 to I-74. He addressed their concerns and reassured them that Hancock County was not trying to take over. Shelby County Commissioner tabled signing the funding agreement until they speak with the MPO to find out how funding will work. Commissioner Stevens moved for approval of the recommended short list to be submitted to the MPO. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Cumberland Geist, LLC - a proposal has been presented to Joe Copeland by Cumberland Geist, LLC who would like to develop a landscaping material processing/recycling facility. They have submitted a preliminary agreement setting out that they will design and build a legal drain that would run off into Jay Ditch. The County would be required to incorporate a new drive entrance along 600W and a temporary drive at Kathlene Court. Joe Copeland is requesting approval from the Commissioners to negotiate the agreement. Commissioner Stevens instructs the County Engineer, Joe Copeland, to proceed with the agreement as proposed. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

2010 Maintenance Cost – Joe Copeland of the Highway Department presented a spread sheet with the Highway Departments 2010 maintenance costs for review by the commissioners.

2010 Maintenance Costs

Operation	Est. Cost	2009 Final Cost	Final Cost
Paving	194,000	388,296	375,827
Strip Paving	246,000	96,536	212,783
Single Seal	0	178,313	0
Double Seal	0	0	12,511
Crack Seal	0	7,841	0
Add'l Gravel	5,700	37,439	Incl. Below
Mill & Gravel	42,000	52,814	49,675
Dust Lay	149,000	121,312	92,389
Misc Stone	70,000	91,193	76,193
Misc Asphalt	0	32,575	577
Dura Patchers	150,000	56,398	116,525
Sp. Project	0	0	17,791
Patch	140,000	111,062	118,187
Total	996,700	1,173,779	1,072,459
Budget	529,494 MVH	450,000 R&S	
	<u>979,494</u> Total		

Bridge 110 - Joe Copeland received two quotes for removal of trees at bridge 110. The first quote was from Arbor Tree Co., Inc. in the amount of \$14,400.00. The second quote was from Kelly Crocketts Tree Care in the amount of \$7,950.00 and a local resident will be removing trees. Commissioner Stevens moved to use Kelly Crocketts Tree Care for removal of trees in the amount not to exceed \$7,950.00, subject to verification of their Certificate of Insurance with \$1,000,000.00 aggregate liability and a release waiver from the property owner where the trees will be disposed of. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Generator - Joe Copeland informed the Commissioners the Highway Department needs a new generator. He presented the Commissioners with two options. The first being at NAPA for \$899.00 and the second being at ACE Hardware for \$900.00. Joe recommends the generator from NAPA. Commissioner Stevens authorizes the purchase of the NAPA 6500 watt generator in the amount of \$899.00. Commissioner Towle seconds the motion. The motion carries 3-0.

Bridge 110 - Joe Copeland set a date of April 5, 2011 at 8:30am at the Hancock County Courthouse Annex in the Commissioners Court Room 111 American Legion Place Greenfield, IN for quotes on bridge 110 for structural steel. Commissioner Towle made a motion to approve a separate quote for steel on bridge 110. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of)

E-911)

Emergency Management Center - Craig Bennett of AT&T Public Safety appeared before the Commissioners to review the current agreement and the proposed agreement for the E-911 service. The current E-911 service agreement expires August 2011. Mr. Bennett reviewed different pricing options and different setup options with the Commissioners. Connie Hoy, E-911 director, recommended the hosted services which is set up at an AT&T center and is less expensive. Mr. Bennett also explained to the Commissioners that he is in the process of trying to get a grant to help offset some of the costs. The costs were reviewed with the Commissioners, if paid in one payment the price would be discounted at \$1,151,000.00 or it extended out over 120 payments the price would be \$1,565,000.00. Commissioner Towle moved to proceed with AT&T with the hosted Centennial Patriot and to prepare a contract for solution number one with final terms to be worked out. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Fire Protection - Connie Hoy, E-911 director appeared before the Commissioners to inform them of the need for a fire protection system for the server room and to seal the room. Two companies, Jacob-Dietz, Inc. and Koorsen Fire & Security provided information. The Commissioners requested Connie Hoy have the Companies make presentations as to what they can provide and the cost.

In The Matter of)

Planning Commission)

Ordinance No. 2011-3C - The Mize rezoning as set out in Ordinance No. 2011-3C An Ordinance Amending The Hancock County, Indiana Zoning Ordinance changing zoning from Residential (R2.5) to Commercial Regional (CR). Property located at 1039 E. Main St., Greenfield, IN. The Planning Commission gave this a favorable recommendation. Commissioner Towle moved to approve Ordinance 2011-3C An Ordinance Amending The Hancock County, Indiana Zoning Ordinance with a stipulation prohibiting certain land uses. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Ordinance No. 2011-2D - The commitment concerning the use and development of real estate made in connection with a petition for rezoning was presented to the Commissioners for their signatures. The Commissioners had already approved the commitment.

Ordinance No. 2011-3D - An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2007-1B Revising the Minimum Ground Floor Living Area Requirement in The Agriculture (A) and Residential (R3.5) Zoning Districts. This ordinance was given a favorable recommendation by the Planning Commission. Commissioner Towle made a motion to suspend the rule of introducing and passing an ordinance on the same day. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Towle made a motion to pass the Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2007-1B Revising the Minimum Ground Floor Living Area Requirement in The Agriculture (A) and Residential (R3.5) Zoning Districts. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Ordinance No. 2011-3E - The City of Greenfield changed their sign ordinance and this ordinance will bring the County more in line with them. Ordinance No. 2011-3E An Ordinance Amending Title XV, Chapter 156 or the Hancock County Code, an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2007-1B Revising the Development Standards for Animated Signs and Changeable Copy Signs. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to introduced Ordinance 2011-3E An Ordinance Amending Title XV, Chapter 156 or the Hancock County Code, an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2007-1B Revising the Development Standards for Animated Signs and Changeable Copy Signs.

Commissioner Armstrong said he would check with the school about the Ordinance and report on his findings at the April 5th Commissioner's meeting.

Thoroughfare Plan - Mike Dale, Planning Commission Director presented to the Commissioner's the letter of Amendment to Hancock County Thoroughfare Plan Alternative B-D-3. Commissioner Stevens moved to execute the letter. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Stevens presented a letter from Dick Jones in support of the Alternative Thoroughfare Plan.

In The Matter of)

Sheriff's Department)

E.A.P. Program - Sheriff Mike Shepherd appeared before the Commissioner to inform them they have received \$1,000.00 from NASA to cover for the County. Commissioner Towle moved to authorize the Sheriff's Department to proceed with the E.A.P. Program pending funding approval through the County Council. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Mower - Sheriff Mike Shepherd the County Council has approved funds to purchase mowers for the Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff's Department would like to purchase two Scag mowers for \$11,300.00. Commissioner Towle made a motion to approve the purchase of two Scag mowers in an amount not to exceed \$11,300.00. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In The Matter of)

Clerk's Office)

Update - Clerk Marcia Moore reported to the Commissioners the attic project was complete. She requested permission to remove the old safe from the clerk's office at a cost of \$650.00 and purchase a new fire proof safe. Clerk Moore also reported she used funds from the Help American Vote Act to purchase partitions to be placed in voting area. Commissioner Towle moved to authorize the placing of temporary walls for voting from April 1st to May 2nd and again in the fall. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Safe – Clerk Marcia Moore requested approval for the funding to move the old safe and acquire a new safe. Auditor Robin Lowder will verify use of funds with State Board of Accounts. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to authorize the moving of the safe to hallway area and the purchase of the new safe. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Tourism Board - Clerk Marcia Moore informed the Commissioners she was unable to locate information on the Tourism Board requested by the Commissioners.

Eagle Accounts Group - Shelley Septer and Chet Klene appeared before the Commissioners to make a presentation as to what Eagle Accounts Group can provide to the Clerk's Department. Clerk Marcia Moore recommended Eagle Accounts Group. Commissioner Stevens moved to have the contract reviewed by Attorney Ray Richardson. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

In the Matter of)

Weights and Measures)

Report - Richard Simon appeared before the Commissioners to provide the Weights and Measures Report and He updated the Commissioners on the conference he attended. Mr. Simon stated he attended a conference and learned much about the job and he would like to attend next year if funds are available. Mr. Simon and the Commissioners agreed he would report to them on a quarterly basis.

In The Matter of)

NASA)

Grants - Tim Retherford appeared before the Commissioners to review the request for the grant money and why groups were or were not chosen. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to approve the three new grants for Treatment/Intervention. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0, Commissioner Towle abstained.

In The Matter of)

Minutes)

March 1, 2011 minutes - Commissioner Towle made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 1, 2011 meeting. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

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

In The Matter of)

Out of State Travel)

Washington D.C. - Commissioner Stevens requested approval to travel with Dennis Maloy to Washington D.C. April 5th through April 8th. Commissioner Stevens made a motion to approve the out of state travel. Commissioner Towle seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-1. Commissioner Armstrong voted Nay.

In The Matter of)

Credit Cards)

Require Approval - The Commissioners discussed if every credit card should be approved by the Commissioners. Attorney Ray Richardson stated that there was no established standard at this time. The Commissioners determined that no approval is required for elected officials. However, non-elected Department Heads will require approval from the Commissioners to obtain a credit card. Commissioner Towle moved that the Board of Commissioner's policy be that non- elected Department Heads must get approval, but there will be No Approval required for Elected Officials to obtain credit cards. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Tom K. Stevens

Hancock County Commissioner

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Report to Hancock County Board of Commissioners (BOC)

Commissioner activity since last BOC meeting:

March 2 – Public hearing – 300N/600W intersection improvement

March 3 – Drainage Board Meeting

March 3 – Public hearing/O.P. Keller reconstruction

March 3 – Visit to Clerk's office

March 5 – Drainage complaint 1 ½ hours (Mr. Geryak)

March 8 – 10 – Purdue Road School

Exhibitor Hall

Prefab structures / reinforced soils

Methods for extending bridge life

Ethics and Law

Keynote Luncheon

Addressing departure crashes

Roundabout design for trucks

IACC Meeting

March 14 – HCSWMD Meeting

March 14 – Delivered agreement to Shelby County BOC

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05pm.

The recording stopped at 12:05pm.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, President

Commissioner Derek Towle, Vice President

Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor