

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Meeting

July 3, 2018

Commissioners met in regular session. Those present were Board of Commissioner's President Brad Armstrong, Vice President John Jessup and Commissioner Marc Huber.

Auditor Robin D. Lowder, Deputy Auditor Trish George and Attorney Ray Richardson were present.

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's meeting began at 8:05 a.m.

Highway Department

Hancock County Engineer Gary Pool appeared before the Board of Commissioners to discuss:

- No signatures.
- Currently trying to negotiate a contract for Bridge 62. The bid received is high.
- Unified Signage has a sign for the Vernon Township area.
- Chip seal has started, extremely hot.
- Geotech started on Gem Road/300 S are on schedule and almost done. New Palestine heading this project up, just helping them out.
- HMA price increase from \$37 to \$43 a ton. Will adjust tracking for cost increase.
- School zone flashers. So far this is covered by driver's insurance most of the time. Couple thousand dollars to cover this cost. Need a conversation who covers the replacement cost. If we had to cover the replacement cost it will just be the regular type of sign replaced.
- Geotech letters going out for the New Palestine RAB. Scheduled for 2021.

Claims and Payroll

Commissioner Huber made a motion to approve claims and payroll as presented. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Minutes

Commissioner Huber made a motion to approve the Commissioners' Minutes from the 6/19/18 meeting as presented. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

RQAW Jail

Pete Peterson, Sanjay Patel and Roger Stephens from RQAW provided an update. At the request of the Hancock County Council and Commissioners they returned with a plan modification at the county farm ground on US 40. It will be a new style of jail they will present a schematic design and a Master Plan. It is estimated \$915,000 to bring utilities to this site. A lift station is undetermined at this time. \$30 million is budgeted for this project this includes soft costs. It will need to be put out to bid. This is not a new contract, just a modification of the contract.

Commissioners will discuss with Council if the County will proceed. Attorney Ray Richardson will review the contract. This will be discussed with Council at a date yet to be determined.

Maintenance

Dean Mullins with Maintenance appeared before the Board of Commissioners to discuss:

- Hole sealed up at the Prosecutors office. Clean-up next in line.
- Discussed maintenance issues

Commissioner Huber made a motion to accept the quote from Blackmore and Buckner Roofing, LLC to repair the court house roof not to exceed \$78,900. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Public Hearing: Unsafe Building

Public Hearing Open 8:37 a.m: public hearing for an unsafe building opened. Ray Richardson County Attorney presides. Commissioner Huber recuses himself. County Attorney Richardson swears in Scott Williams, County Building Inspector for an unsafe building issue. Proof of notification was sent to Jonathon Craney at 436 E. Staat Street, Fortville, Indiana 46040 for a detached garage with collapsing roof. Copies given to Attorney Richardson. Several notices, conversations, ongoing problem for years to get this building demolished. Talked mainly with Jay Cook and Adam Zaklikowski of Fortville. Jay Cook present. July 15th was given as date to be completed by. Findings that it was impaired structural condition that makes it unsafe to a person or property, hazard to public health, dangerous to a person or property because of a violation of statue or ordinance concerning building condition or maintenance. Vacant and not maintained in a matter that would allow human habitation occupancy or use under the requirements of a statute or ordinance. Photos introduced by Scott Williams, County Building Inspector.

Jay Cook, owner sworn in. Owner requesting 30 days more to demolish garage. Commissioner Armstrong expressed concern with completion. County Attorney Richardson swears in Adam Zaklikowski, Planning Administrator and Code Enforcement Official for Town of Fortville. Adam confirms has been ongoing and would like the building demolished. Commissioner Huber motion to recess this Unsafe Building meeting until Tuesday, July 31st at 8:35 a.m. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0. Public Hearing closed 8:49 a.m.**

Unsafe Building

Scott Williams, County Building Inspector concerned about an older gentleman living in an RV at 7556 E 600 N. Fire Department has made several trips there and feels it is an unsafe environment. Board of Health visited but the person living in RV was in hospital at that time. The RV is without heat and air conditioner. Commissioner Armstrong feels other avenues are best pursued.

Fortville-Vernon Township Public Library

Clyde Hall from the Fortville-Vernon Township Public Library updating. Director Richard Bell resigned effective 6/30/18. Money was found to shift around to pay his salary \$69,006.10 (including no vacation for 27 years, this Policy undergoing revisions). Interim and full-time Director currently needed for Board. Received two Board resignations will need to replace these positions.

Amending Zoning Ordinance/The Hills Over Sugar Creek

Harold Gibson requested Commissioners to rezone 43 acres. Unfavorable recommendation from HC Area Planning Commission. After much discussion Commissioner Huber introduced Ordinance 2018-7B PUD preliminary plan for The Hills over Sugar Creek. Commissioner Huber made a motion to accept Ordinance 2018-7B as presented. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Steve Reilly/Thorp Farms Zoning Amendment

Steve Reilly RF Development requested changing lot width from 90 feet to 72 feet. All standards remain in place. Commissioner Huber made a motion to amend zoning commitments on Thorp Farms by reducing only the lot width to 72 feet. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Mount Vernon School Corp request to waive permit fees for detached sign

Mike Dale received a request from Mount Vernon School Corp for a sign permit at 200 W and S.R. 234. The school is requesting a waiver for the \$170 fee for the sign permit. Commissioner Huber made a motion to waive the permit fee for the Mount Vernon School Corporation for the \$170 fee. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Enterprise Fleet Management

Michael Fitzpatrick presented Administrative, Operational, Financial benefits to allowing Enterprise to provide vehicles to Hancock County. Michael will send the contract to Ray Richardson, County Attorney for review. Commissioner Huber made a motion we proceed with negotiating with Enterprise Fleet Management for fleet management services for county vehicles not including Class A trucks or patrol vehicles at the sheriff's office for further consideration. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Performance Bonds Release/Accepted

Performance Bond Acceptance

Commissioner Huber made a motion to accept a performance bond for Celadon Realty LLC at 9503 E 33rd St. Indianapolis, IN 46235 in the amount of \$85,000. This is for Pond Outlet for Caravana. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. **The motion carried 3/0.**

Performance Bond Release

Commissioner Huber made a motion to release a performance bond for Every Meadows LLC at 7228 N 250 E in the amount of \$11,506. This is for Erosion control in Every Meadows. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. **The motion carried 3/0.**

Performance Bond Release

Commissioner Huber made a motion to release a performance bond for Harvey Construction Co. at 9125 E 146th St. Noblesville, IN 46060 in the amount of \$1,125. This is for Monuments Wyndstone Sec 3A & 3B. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. **The motion carried 3/0.**

Performance Bond Acceptance

Commissioner Huber made a motion to accept a performance bond for Harvey Construction Co. at 9125 E 146th St. Noblesville, IN 46060 in the amount of \$44,444. This is for Storm Sewers in Wyndstone Sec 4B. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. **The motion carried 3/0.**

July 17 Meeting Action Items

Two Bids were presented to the Commissioners for widening an Access at the County Farm. They will review the bids at the next Commissioners’ Meeting.

Commissioners will discuss County needs to be included in possible Bonding process.

The Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, President

Commissioner John Jessup, Vice-President

Commissioner Marc Huber

Attest: _____
Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor