

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

January 13, 2015

Commissioners met in regular session. Those present were Commissioner Brad Armstrong, President and Commissioner Marc Huber.

Auditor Robin D. Lowder was also present.

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's meeting began at 8:03 a.m.

Commissioner Tom Stevens, Vice President arrived at 8:49 a.m.

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:03 a.m.

Approval of Claims

Commissioners Huber made a motion to approve claims as presented. Commissioner Armstrong seconded. Claims approved 2/0.

Emergency Management Agency

EMA Director- Misty Moore requested the Commissioners pre-sign the Local Emergency Proclamation in a snow emergency. It will be dated when the emergency takes place. The action is being done because the State of Indiana requires the decision be sent to them in writing.

Senior Services

Linda Hart presented the Commissioners with the 4th Quarter Claim for 2014 in the amount of \$48,770.00. This is for Hancock Area Rural Transit. Commissioner Huber made a motion to approve the claim. Commissioner Armstrong seconds the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

American Disabilities Act

ADA- Joe Hollis stated this was left out of last year and this year's Budget. He is requesting permission to appear before Council and request an additional appropriation in the General Fund in the Commissioner's Budget. The Commissioners are agreeable to this but the County Attorney questions if a \$600.00 expense to the Highway Department parking lot can come from General Fund or should come from Highway Funds. The Auditor will check with State Board of Accounts. Commissioner Huber made a motion for Joe Hollis to request an additional appropriation from the General Fund in the Commissioner's Budget for the ADA Expenses for \$37,500.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconds the motion. Motion carried 2/0.

Prosecutor's Office Furnace

Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to allow the total bill for the new furnace at the Prosecutor's Office not to exceed \$3,450.00. Commissioner Huber seconds the motion. Motion carried 2/0.

Annex Roof

Per DLZ recommendation for the Annex Roof the seal membrane on the top around the perimeter the contractor should stand behind the warranty on it. The caulking on the top between the cement and the plugs should be the County's responsibility. When the weather is more favorable we will fix the County's part and request the Contractor comply with his responsibility.

Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement

Commissioner Huber is filing two Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statements with the Board of Commissioners.

The first filing is for Huber Enterprises, L.L.C. He doesn't do business with the County but he does do business with companies that do business with the County.

Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to accept the filing of the Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement. Commissioner Huber seconds the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

The second filing is for Skylar Properties, L.L.C. He buys Tax Sale, Commissioners Sale and Sheriff Sale Properties in partnership with his mother Muriel Huber.

Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to accept the filing of the Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement. Commissioner Huber seconds the motion. The motion carried 2/0.

Veterans Service Officer- Bob Workman requested an increase in hours from 14 to 16 hours to 22 to 26 hours with an increase in salary to \$25,650.00 and increase of \$3,000.00 in office supplies. Commissioners told him he needs to document his time for 2016 if he wants an increase.

Auditor's Request for Payment of Repairs

Three Repairs:

Jail/Boiler/Fitzgerald & North-\$12,716.00 (Completed)

PDF Mechanical/Court House/Repair/Heating- Total \$15,196.00 (Estimate) (Not Completed)

Prosecutor's Office-\$3,400.00/Bullman Heating & Cooling (Completed)

Commissioner Armstrong made a motion for the Auditor to pay for the PDF (when completed) and Fitzgerald & North invoices with the appropriate 2007 and or 2013 Bonds. Remainder of these invoices and the Prosecutor's Office furnace are to be paid from the Commissioner's Cumulative Capital Development Fund. Commissioner Huber seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0

Septic Installer Certification Discussion

The Commissioners feel there is a problem with the Certification process and it is their responsibility to see the problem is solved. The Commissioners discussed some of the issues.

The Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, President

Commissioner Tom Stevens, Vice President

Commissioner Marc Huber

Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor