Hancock County Board of Commissioner’s Minutes

May 04, 2015

Commissioners met in regular session. Those present were Commissioner Brad Armstrong, President, and Commissioner Tom Stevens at 8:20 a.m. Commissioner Huber was absent.

Auditor Robin D. Lowder was also present.

Hancock County Board of Commissioner’s meeting began at 8:36 a.m.

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:10 a.m.

Discussion

Upon arrival of Commissioner Stevens, a discussion pertaining to dedication of right of way, the re-platting process and the request for a waiver from 40’ to 25’. This was in reference to the Daniel Madison Minor Subdivision. Dan Madison owner requested the waiver and his neighbor Jeff Mull appeared with him for the discussion with the Commissioners. The Commissioners can only give a recommendation; he will need to go to the Area Plan Commission. The Commissioner’s concern was for future expense of purchase of right of way on McCord Road for two residential properties.

Highway Department

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

**Signatures**- Speed and parking ordinance changes will be discussed at a later meeting. Paper work isn’t ready for signing.

**Dust Containment**- County Engineer is considering a neighborhood program, for a five year system, for maintenance on neighborhood roads. County roads are on an eight year system, and he believes that neighborhood roads are more heavily affected by traffic.

**Roundabout Striping and Mowing**- Striping is complete. Also, at this time, County Engineer believes Feeney will be contracted to mow RAB Center.

**Re-Crowning of Roads**- Starting Wednesday, May 06, 2015, the grinding of roads to be re-crowned for new hard coating will begin.

**Luncheon at HCHD**- County Engineer is having a luncheon meeting on May 14, 2015 with Local Highway Leads.
Pipe Surplus- County Engineer requests that a 7’ flat bottom pipe (7x2=$182) and a 2’ pipe (2x2=$4) be declared surplus. Commissioner Stevens motioned that the 7’ flat bottom pipe and a 2’ pipe be declared surplus. Commissioner Armstrong seconded motion. Motion carried 2/0.

Pay Schedule- County Engineer requested to approach Council with a new pay schedule.

Public Hearing

Ordinance No. 2015-5A- An Ordinance Re-Establishing the Cumulative Bridge Fund. Commissioner Stevens introduced Ordinance No. 2015-5A. At 8:56 a.m. a public hearing was opened for public comments. Public Comment: John Priore questioned does the Cumulative Bridge Fund balance include Federal reimbursements? Auditor Lowder replied yes. He also questioned which fund decreased if the Cumulative Bridge Fund increased? Attorney Richardson replied the General Fund. Mr. Priore commented to change Property Tax supporting Cumulative Bridge Funds would require Legislative action. At 9:00 a.m. the Public hearing was closed. Commissioner Stevens moved to authorize adoption on the same day of introduction. Commissioner Armstrong seconded. Motion carried 2/0. Commissioner Stevens moved to adopt Ordinance 2015-5A. Commissioner Armstrong seconded. Motion carried 2/0.

Public Hearing

Ordinance No. 2015-5B- An Ordinance Re-Establishing the Cumulative Capital Development Fund. Commissioner Stevens introduced Ordinance No. 2015-5B. At 9:01 a.m. a Public Hearing was opened for public coments. There was no public comment. At 9:02 a.m. the Public Hearing was closed. Commissioner Stevens moved to authorize adoption on the same day of introduction. Commissioner Armstrong seconded. Motion carried 2/0. Commissioner Stevens moved to adopt Ordinance 2015-B. Commissioner Armstrong seconded. Motion carried 2/0.

Health Department

Annual Report- Crystal Baker presented the Annual Health Department Report.

Part-Time Position- Crystal Baker requested to replace their part-time food sanitarian position. This position is already funded through grants. Commissioner Stevens moved to grant the Health Department permission to go before Council to request permission to advertise and replace their part-time food sanitarian position. Commissioner Armstrong seconded motion. Motion carried 2/0.

Board of Health Meeting- A meeting was held on April 14, 2015 to discuss:
1. Dental Program that would be funded through grants. They would do MOU’s with a local dentist so that in need people, especially children, would be able to receive dental care.
2. Departmental Policies were discussed.
3. Hancock County Health Department has been discussing with the Damien Center about coming to Hancock County and testing for STD’s. Dr. Asby would possibly be responsible for writing scripts for positive tested patients. The Health Department wanted to know if the Commissioners would be concerned about liability with Dr. Asby writing scripts.

4. Health Department wanted to remind the Commissioners about the grants for the purchase for the new computers.

**Hancock Regional Hospital Appointment**

Jim Miller requested that Dr. Linda Zimmerman be re-appointed to the HRH Board for another four year term. Her term expires June 30, 2015. Commissioner Stevens moved re-appointment of Dr. Linda Zimmerman for an additional four year term ending June 30, 2019. Commissioner Armstrong seconded motion. Motion carried 2/0.

**Senior Services**

**1st Quarter Signatures**- Linda Hart submitted the 1st quarter statement from the Indiana Department of Transportation and asked execution of Contract Voucher in amount of $62,788. Commissioner Stevens moved execution of contract voucher with Indiana Department of Transportation with total disbursement amount of $62,788. Commissioner Armstrong seconded. Motion carried 2/0.

**BMV Error**

**Title Error**- BMV titled a Library owned vehicle incorrectly to Hancock County Commissioners. Library requests the Commissioners sign a certificate of Title so that the title papers can be corrected. Commissioner Stevens moved signing certificate of Title for Mercedes Sprinter 3500 so it can be retitled in name of Library with an odometer statement attached. Commissioner Armstrong seconded. Motion carried 2/0.

**Surveyor**

**Contract Signing**- Surveyor requested state approved grant for Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan with Christopher B. Burke Engineering LLC be signed for an amount of $18,500. Commissioner Stevens moved to accept proposal for State approved Grant for Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan with Christopher B. Burke Engineering LLC for an amount not to exceed $18,500. Commissioner Armstrong seconded. Motion carried 2/0.

**Action Items**

**Release for Bond**- A general release and assignment for Bond of Heron creek Phase II Section I needed to be signed and notarized by Commissioner Brad Armstrong.

**Claims and Payroll**- Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the claims and payroll as presented. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion carried 2/0.
Minutes- Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the minutes for the April 21, 2015 meeting of the Hancock County Board of Commissioners as presented. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. Motion carried 2/0.

Discussion of Building Maintenance needs was held.

Discussion of a Storm water Tort Claim for Town of McCordsville was held.

The Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Hancock County Commissioners

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Commissioner Brad Armstrong, President

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Commissioner Tom Stevens, Vice President

_________Absent______________________________
Commissioner Marc Huber

Attest: ________________________________
Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor