

## Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

June 6, 2017

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

Auditor Robin D. Lowder was also present.

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's meeting began at 8:17 a.m.

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:17 a.m.

### Highway Department

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

**Interstate Billing for Franklin Equipment-**Commissioners signed application for billing agent for Palmer Trucking/Interstate Billing.

**Fogging-** Will begin in a couple weeks. Fogging paved roads about 20 to 30 miles will add about 3 to 4 more years to the roads.

**Highway Form 144-** The hourly wage will increase using the overtime cuts. Some admin will increase.

**Highway Budget-** Budget is finished will probably turn into Auditor's Office early.

**School Flashing Sign bases Installed-** The bases have been installed at the four schools. They are wireless/solar and they can be turned off when school is out. Will see how they work. They are a 90/10 split.

**700W problem-** Bleeding is going on but using small stone hoping this will fix the problem. It is on the county.

**Engineer Pool Out Thursday/Friday-** Mr. Pool will be spending time with his family but he will be available by phone.

### **Emergency Management/Tornado Siren Bids**

Sealed bids for purchase and installation of Turn Key Warning Tornado Siren System.

A prospective bidder American Signal Corporation complained they thought the bid specifications were too specific. County Attorney Ray Richardson said IC 5-22-5-3 states you must encourage competition. He stated the question is did we do this? Misty Moore stated Luke Miller from West Shore Services reached out to her and offered to assist her in writing the specifications for the bid. She accepted their offer to assist because they were not going to participate in the bidding process. Commissioner Huber made a motion to reject all bids and to put the Turn Key Warning Tornado Siren System out to bid again with a revision of specifications to be certain we are in compliance with Indiana Code 5-22-5-3 which states we are to encourage competition. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

### **Hancock Regional Hospital Board of Trustees Reappointments**

Roy Wilson the Chairperson of the Hancock Regional Hospital Board of Trustees requested reappointments of Dr. Dean Felker and Dianne Osborne recommending full four year terms. Commissioner Huber made a motion to reappoint Dr. Dean Felker and Dianne Osborne to the Hancock Regional Hospital Board of Trustees for four year terms effective July 1, 2017 Through June 30, 2021. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

### **Approval of Claims**

Commissioner Huber made a motion to approve claims as presented. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

### **Resolution 2017-6-1 Senior Services**

Linda Hart presented the Commissioners with the 2017 pass-through for Hancock County Senior Services Transportation System requesting their signatures. Commissioner Huber made a motion to pass Resolution 2017-6-1 a pass-through for Hancock County Senior Services Transportation System. Commissioners Jessup seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

### **Ordinance 2017-6A Animal Control**

After a discussion Commissioner Huber introduced Ordinance 2017-6A Animal Control.

### **County Farm Bids**

Discussion of leasing and advertising of the County Farm & Pasture Ground.

**The Hancock County Government Facilities Manager New Hire**

Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to hire Michael Dean Mullins for the position as the Hancock County Government Facilities Manager. Commissioner Huber seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

The Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Hancock County Commissioners

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Commissioner Brad Armstrong, President

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Commissioner Marc Huber, Vice President

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Commissioner John Jessup

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Robin D. Lowder  
Hancock County Auditor