

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Meeting

June 4, 2019

Commissioners met in regular session. Those present were Board of Commissioner's President John Jessup, Vice President Brad Armstrong and Commissioner Marc Huber. County Attorney Scott Benkie, Auditor Debra Carnes and Deputy Auditor Mary Bowmer were present.

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's meeting began at 8:09 am. Commissioner Jessup called to order the June 4, 2019 Hancock County Commissioners Board meeting.

Highway

- Gary Pool (Highway Engineer) presented for signature Section 4 600 West geotech and environmental. Commissioner Huber made a motion to enter into the consulting contract DES #1802940, its Hancock County 600 West Phase 4 for an additional \$25,055. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**
- Gary would like to begin preparations to hire a consultant for the Bridge 57 design project. This would be a county bridge design. Gary would like for him and the consultant to begin negotiations for a contract by the next meeting. Gary requested authorization to begin looking for a consultant for this project. Commissioners agreed they are fine with Gary starting the groundwork.
- One intern starts June 10th.
- ProShot pipe lining starts in a month. This saves money and does not disrupt traffic.
- Dean Mullins (Maintenance) had questions on salt for the county lots. Gary will send an invoice to Dean for the salt used on the county lots. Technically highway is not supposed to use MVH funds for county lots.
- Gary is expecting bid documents from RQAW for the County Farm road. This went through the Planning Commission. This will be released from contract to get built. Commissioner's last chance to say no will be when bids are received. As soon as bids are received, Gary will advertise and release it from contract to get bid on. Gary will get the contract as soon as possible. Gary estimates the road at three quarters of a million dollars and \$900K. At a later date, Gary will be asking for additional appropriation from MVH to cover, short-term we can cover.
- Voting machines; MVH blended money. The new Clerk Lisa Lofgreen had questions on billing. Gary stated the move takes two days and he only bills for 8 hours.
- Additional appropriation from RDC for \$1M for ROW on 600 West. Asking for additional \$900K from MVH for construction of the Farm road
- Triaxle will order one for next year.
- Roads continue to be pave.
- Bridge projects have slowed down due to flooding.
- 9 pages of roads to patch.
- County Road 265 North concrete work. Adding no parking signs to this area.

Public Hearing: Proposed Lease/Execution of Lease

Commissioner Jessup **Opened the Public Hearing at 8:17 AM** on the proposed lease of the county jail and execution of lease. Commissioner Jessup asked if there was any public comment on the Resolution and Execution of the lease on the county jail. No comment. Commissioner Jessup **Closed the Public Hearing at 8:19 AM.**

Resolution 2019-6-1: Proposed Lease for County Jail

Commissioner Jessup introduced and read into minutes Resolution 2019-6-1 the proposed Lease for the County Jail. Commissioner Huber made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-6-1. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Lease Agreement for County Jail

Commissioner Huber made a motion to execute the Lease Agreement between the Hancock County Building Corporation and Hancock County Indiana as presented. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Addendums 1, 2 & 3

Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to approve Addendums 1, 2 & 3 to the lease as presented. Commissioner Huber seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Claims & Payroll

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

Commissioner Minutes

Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to approve Commissioners' Minutes for 5/21/19 as presented. Commissioner Huber seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Utilities to County Farm

County Attorney Scott Benkie discussed a letter he received with a schedule from the City on Utilities (Sewer/Water) to the County Farm. Commissioner Armstrong suggested redrafting an MOU for the City to approve.

RQAW Update

Pete Peterson (RQAW) with an update. Pete will alert Dustin (RQAW) to work on the MOU. Garmong's contract should be finalized by the end of the week for final review. Finalizing the design comments for the access road that will be out to bid by the middle of next week. Garmong is finalizing the design development estimate for the jail project. Pete would like to meet with everyone to have an understanding of what is going on, because once we have the estimate from Garmong that will turn into your GMP. So before we make that transition from design estimate into the GMP we want to make sure everyone is onboard because that

will be finalized in the contract. We are in the process of setting up the jail committee meeting for next Tuesday/Wednesday. We are still on track to finish jail design by mid-July.

Life/Disability Insurance Carriers (One America/RE Sutton)

Brian Case (One America) & Trevor Stephens (RE Sutton) presented Life & Disability Insurance Information. Aflac and One America they matched the benefits with pricing, so they are the two choices recommended. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to change our life insurance provider from Alliance Standard to One America, due to inability to be contacted and lack of performance, pending legal approval. Commissioner Huber seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Community Corrections

- Pat Powers (Director) requested out of state travel request for National Drug Court Conference in Washington DC. Commissioner Huber made a motion to allow Beth Ingle and Gary O'Neal to attend the National Drug Court Conference from 7/13/19-7/17/19. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**
- Pat requested to start a new fund for a grant his department received. Commissioner Huber introduced Ordinance #2019-6B an Ordinance establishing the Community Corrections/Community Foundation Fund 8951 which allows the Grant from the Community Foundation in Community Corrections. Commissioner Huber made a motion to suspend the rules and adopt on the day of introduction Ordinance #2019-6B. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. **Motion carried 2-0.** Commissioner Huber made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2019-6B. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. **Motion carried 2-0.**

E-911

- John Jokantas (Director E-911)) requested out of state travel for CIT Concepts for 9-1-1 in Mundelein, IL. Commissioner Huber made a motion to allow out of state travel for Bonnie Guzman and Lacey Ogden for 6/24/19-6/25/19 to attend the CIT Concepts for 9-1-1. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**
- John requested per Bernie Harris's (IT Director) recommendation to improve server memory due to maxing out. Commissioner Huber made a motion to allow the purchase of extra memory for servers at 911 center up to \$7,000 to be paid out of CDD. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Resolution on TIF Area

Randy Sorrell (HEDC Director) came before Board of Commissioners (BOC) a few months ago requesting a new TIF district south of I-70. BOC made a motion to proceed. Based on that, on April 11th, RDC did a Resolution to that affect with a map. The next step was to appear before the Planning Commission and that happened last Tuesday. Between the time when the resolution was adopted by the Redevelopment Commission and Planning Commission, the map has changed. The April Resolution showed this map here (catching North of I-70) and

extending South to the southern boundary of Buck Creek Township as far west as 500 and over to 700 West. What was enacted and was acted on by the Planning Commission last week was this map (the map changed, its smaller). The essence of it being that, South of the 200 North and cuts out West of 600 West. This was based on concerns/objections from Cumberland, because this could affect their growth in areas. There was an agreement through the Planning Commission to cut the space down. So this passed the Planning Commission. This now requires action from BOC. The official Agenda item is Resolution confirming the action of the Planning Commissioner. Lisa Lee (Ice Miller) confirmed any time during the process the map can be amended. Today's process would be BOC adopts the Resolution approving the Planning Commission order, then notice gets sent to the newspaper and on July 11th at the Redevelopment Commission meeting, the RDC holds a public hearing on this and depending on the outcome, it comes back to BOC on July 16th for a Resolution and then again we come back on July 30th for the amending confirmatory Resolution, then the process is completed. Commissioner Jessup questioned the purpose of this TIF. Randy answered the big portion this has to do with the Hospitals plans South of I-70 and Nine Stars ability to serve that and anything around that. I think this has to do with utility infrastructure more so than road infrastructure. Commissioner Armstrong would like to compromise (in the middle) enough to incorporate 600 West within the Mount Comfort corridor. Commissioner Huber and Jessup do not agree with shrinking the TIF area, there is a lot of county investment in that corridor. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to approve what the recommendation from the Planning Commission for the secondary TIF district map. **Discussion:** Commissioners feel the county should include property to the west of 600 West north of the township line in the TIF district. Commissioner Huber suggested within a half mile minimum. Commissioner Jessup called all those in favor. **Motion defeated 0-3.**

Redaction Services & Support Agreement

Marcia Moore (Recorder) requested approval for Redaction Services & Support Agreement required by law. Commissioner Huber made a motion to accept the Redaction Services & Support Agreement for the term of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2023 in the amount of \$3,625 a year to be paid out of the Recorder's ID Protection. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. **Motion carried 2-0.**

Norman Baker Minor Sub Dedication of ROW 300 N 50' Half ROW & 50 E 35' Half ROW

Phillip Going requested dedication of ROW. Commissioner Huber made a motion to accept the 50' Half ROW on 300 N & 35' Half ROW on 50 E for the Norman Baker Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. **Motion carried 2-0.**

Ordinance 2019-6A

- Commissioner Huber introduced Ordinance 2019-6A Establishing the Sheriff's Miscellaneous Donation Fund 4923.

- Commissioner Huber made a motion to suspend the rules and adopt on day of introduction Ordinance 2019-6A. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. **Motion carried 2-0.**
- Commissioner Huber made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-6A Establishing the Sheriff's Miscellaneous Donation Fund 4923. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. **Motion carried 2-0.**

Natural Gas Savings Agreement

Michael Fahrback (Constellation) discussed Natural Gas Savings Agreement. Commissioner Armstrong asked Scott Benkie (County Attorney) if he had a chance to review the agreement. Scott asked to review the agreement further. Michael asked if Commissioners wanted a fixed price or managed product. Commissioners would like to review further. Michael presented Commissioner's with an updated price list. Commissioner Armstrong clarified once Scott and their lawyer was satisfied the Agreement could be finalized.

Tourism Department

George Langston (Tourism Board) questioned whether to repeal tax or keep the tax. Tourism would like to put in the main account and dispense under normal protocol. Debra Carnes (Auditor) notified Commissioners that Tourism has received rave reviews from the State Board of Accounts after review. Discussed 5% tax and distribution. Commissioners supported going through normal budgeting process within 4% or 5%.

Unsafe Building

- Scott Williams (Building Official) discussed the unsafe building at 2688 N. Buck Creek Road (an old house and barn) that's been abandoned for years.
- Public Hearing to be scheduled July 16th at 9AM. Final notification letter to be sent to owner.
- Sheriff Burkhart recommended this could be used as training session for the Buck Creek Fire Department. Scott said he would make contact and check into this.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner John Jessup, President

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice-President

Commissioner Marc Huber

Attest: _____

Debra Carnes
Hancock County Auditor