

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

September 3, 2013

Commissioners met in regular session. Those present were Commissioner Derek Towle, President, Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President and Commissioner Tom Stevens. Auditor Robin D. Lowder was also present.

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

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:31 a.m.

In The Matter of the Highway Department

Engineer Joe Copeland appeared before the Hancock County Board of Commissioners to discuss the following:

Culvert Pipe – a Highway employee would like to purchase used culvert pipe for \$42.00. Commissioner Armstrong moved to allow the surplus sale of used culvert pipe for \$42.00. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Winding Oaks Subdivision – Dave Segio will be appearing before the Commissioners today for maintenance bonds that are required for streets. He will bring either a bond or cashiers check.

Indianapolis Testing Laboratory – agreement with Indianapolis Testing Laboratory for geotechnical investigation for Bridge# 2 was presented to the Commissioners. Attorney Ray Richardson has approved the agreement. The fee is \$800.00 higher after adding traffic control, for a total amount of \$8,949.00. Commissioner Stevens moved approval to enter into an agreement with Indianapolis Testing Laboratory for Subsurface Investigation and Geotechnical Engineering Services in an amount not to exceed \$8,949.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

2013 Roads – There are funds remaining this year to do additional road work. The recommended roads are; 900 E. from 150 S. to 200 S., chip and seal; 500 S. from S.R. 9 to 200 E., 600 N. from Fortville Pike to 50 W., 600 N. from 800 E. to 850 E., Paving; and 300 S. from 500 E. to 600 E., 300 S. from 275 E. to Morristown Pike, 300 S. from Morristown Pike to 400 E., Strip Paving. The Commissioners concur with this work being done.

20 Year Capital Improvement Plan – At Commissioner Stevens request a 20 Year Capital Improvement Plan was prepared by Engineer Joe Copeland and presented to the Commissioners. Commissioner Stevens proposes this as a tool to set up budgets and work with the Council. It will need to be reviewed each year. The amount is approximately \$500,000.00 for County funds each year. Commissioner Armstrong likes the concept and feels it provides a working document to refer to. John Priore a resident of Blue River Township stated he feels the document is the first step for Capital Improvement in writing.

Parking Lot – There was a clay area at the northeast corner that needed extra work but the project went under on asphalt so the job came in slightly under bid. (less than \$200.00)

Retirement – County Engineer Joe Copeland presented the Commissioners with his letter of early retirement. His last day will be January 31, 2014. Commissioner Stevens is happy for him to move on to another part of his career. Commissioner Towle thanked Joe for his work. Commissioner Armstrong thanked Joe for his many years of service.

In The Matter of Health Department

No Smoking Signs – Dr. Ashby appeared before the Commissioners to request permission to post no smoking signs, provided by a grant, on county owned property. The Commissioners ask if they had a list of where they will be posting the signs and instructed them the list will need to be shared with the Highway Department and Sheriff's Department to be sure the signs do not block easements or violate any city Ordinances.

In The Matter of Plan Commission

Hendrix Subdivision – Property owned by Trevor Lloyd Jones on the southwest corner of 700 W. and U.S. 52 consists of a three lot subdivision. There are currently houses on lots two and three. Mr. Poturski from INDOT formerly represented by Jack Kemerling from INDOT determined that no access will be given to the property. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to amend the zoning back to Residential at the request of the land owner. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of the Mud Run

Eastern Hancock – Ryan McCarty appeared before the Commissioners to request approval to close 1050 E. road on September 14, 2013 for a fund raiser the Mud Run/Obstacle Course from Six Mile Creek to finish at Eastern Hancock School. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of closing the Road on September 14, 2013 for the Mud Run. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of the County Extension Office

Out of State Travel – Roy Ballard appeared before the Commissioners to request approval for out of state travel for Sarah Burke for a National Meeting. Commissioner Armstrong moved approval of out of state travel for Sarah Burke. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of the Sheriff's Department

Vending Machines – County Attorney Ray Richardson to prepare an Ordinance to set up a fund for the vending machine at the shooting range and expenditures for the funds. The vending machine is to be in a restricted area and not for public use. The revenue generated is to be used for the following expenditures: Inventory for Vending Machine, Shooting Range and Range Building Expenses, Firearms Expenses and Training Expenses. Commissioner Armstrong moved approval of the Sheriff's Vending Machine Fund for the shooting range. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of Commissioner's Action Items

Plan Commission – Michael Allen Long is appointed to the Plan Commission to complete the term of Bill Evens ending December 31, 2016.

In The Matter of the Vote Centers

Agreement – Marcia Moore appeared before the Commissioners to present the agreements for signatures for fourteen Vote Center Locations. This is all of the Vote Center Locations except for Fortville's Vote Center.

In The Matter of Commissioner's Action Items

Light Duty Work – A deputy for the Sheriff's Department has been returned to light duty work, however there are some days she is unable to work because of her work related injury. The question is presented to the Commissioners of how to note the day's she is off due to the work related injury on her time sheet. She has not been released by the Worker Compensation Company. County Attorney Ray Richardson will prepare an ordinance on how to address the work related time off.

In The Matter of Winding Oaks Subdivision

Maintenance Bond - Dave Segó appeared before the Commissioners to present a cashiers check for \$22,800.00 for the three year maintenance bond for streets in Winding Oaks Subdivision. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the maintenance bond for streets in Winding Oaks Subdivision in the amount of \$22,800.00. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Storm Sewer Bond – Dave Segó appeared before the Commissioners to present a cashiers check for \$39,310.50 for a storm sewer bond in Winding Oaks Subdivision. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the storm sewer bond in Winding Oaks Subdivision in the amount of \$39,310.50. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Plat – the Plat for Winding Oaks Subdivision was presented to the Commissioners for approval. Commissioner Stevens moved approval of the right-of-way dedication for Winding Oaks Subdivision. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

In The Matter of Commissioner's Action Items

Payroll and Claims – Commissioner Stevens approved payroll and claims as presented. Commissioner Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Minutes – Commissioner Armstrong moved approval of the minutes for August 20, 2013. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Next Meeting – On September 10, 2013 there will not be a Commissioner's hour. The Commissioners will have an administrative meeting with Joe Copeland at the County Highway.

The Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Derek Towle, President

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, Vice President

Commissioner Tom Stevens

Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor