

**REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY INDIANA
SEPTEMBER 22, 2005**

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on in Room 308, City-County Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Present at the meeting were County Commissioners Edward Meyer, Vicky Kent Haire and Ralph Guthrie, County, County Attorney Daniel Moore, Secretary Angela Coleman, and Deputy Auditor Theresa James.

The minutes for the meeting of June 30, 2005, July 11, 2005 and July 28, 2005 having been mailed to the Commissioners and Mr. Moore prior to the meeting, were presented to the Board for approval. Commissioner Guthrie made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and passed 3-0.

County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas stated that she had audited the current list of vendor claims and found that they have a properly itemized invoice or contract attached and that the proper official has affixed a signature stating that the services have been provided. A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve the vendor claims as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas stated that she had audited the payroll claims and found that they comply with the local salary ordinance established by the Clark County Council and the signature of proper officials is affixed stating that the hours have been worked and the amounts are due. A motion was made by Commissioner Guthrie to approve the payroll claims as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and passed 3-0.

In old business **Sheriff Becher** was on the agenda regarding **new police cars**. Sheriff Becher did not attend the meeting and decision on the purchase of new cars was tabled until after the 2006 budget is approved by the State.

Commissioner President Meyer reported that he received a call from **Charlestown Mayor Hall** requesting that the County assist them with trimming limbs on Stacy Road. Commissioner Haire made a motion to do the work as requested. Commissioner Guthrie seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

The Commissioners signed **Ordinance 12-2005** (An Ordinance making an Amendment to Traffic Ordinance 7-1983) which was approved at the meeting of September 8, 2005. Commissioner President Meyer stated that County Engineer Hyun Lee would publish the ordinance.

Commissioner Guthrie made a motion to approve and sign **Commissioners Ordinance 14-2005 (An Ordinance Establishing a Non-Reverting Fund for Clark Cemetery Commission)**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and passed 3-0.

Laura Dixon, River Hill Economic Development District, submitted a claim for **Bernardin, Locmuller and Associates**, in the amount of four thousand one hundred dollars for the **Indot Planning Grant**. Commissioner Guthrie made a motion to sign and approve payment of the claim. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and passed 3-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Guthrie to approve a new phone line for **Superior Court # 3** to be an 800 number which will be a direct line to **Indianapolis** for an interpreter that will interoperate twenty six languages not including Spanish. Margie Jenkins reported that Judge Fleece agreed to pay the one hundred dollar (\$100.00) installation fee and to share the line with the other courts. The Commissioners agreed to pay the nineteen dollars and thirteen cents (\$19.13) monthly fee and eighty four dollars for the phone. Commissioner Haire seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Planning and Zoning Resolution 16-2005 (Schuler) was called for public hearing. No persons spoke to the Board regarding the Resolution. Commissioner Haire made a motion to follow the recommendation of the Plan Commission and approve the change in zoning from B-2 Roadside Business Zone to B-3 General Business. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

Rachelle Cummins and **Dr. Horlander** informed the Board that **Clark Memorial Hospital** owns some real estate in **Hunters Station Subdivision** which they divided into tract 1 and Tract 2. They intend to retain tract 1 for future development. Ms. Cummins stated that Clark Memorial was proposing to have a building constructed at their expense which they propose to sell to **WHM Development LLC** for the cost of the construction and the cost of the land next fall. Also, Clark Memorial plans to lease approximately five thousand square feet of the building for an imaging center and other diagnostic area. Commissioner Guthrie made a motion to approve **Ordinance 16-2005 (An Ordinance Authorizing Sale of Real Estate by Clark Memorial Hospital)** and the proposals and sale of the real estate with the understanding that the sale would not take place until next fall. The motion included approval of President Meyer's signature outside the meeting on the document subject to Mr. Moore's approval. Ms. Cummins agreed to redraft the document. Commissioner Haire seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Ryan McGregor, Community Corrections Director, gave the Community Corrections Report and informed the Commissioners of an upcoming meeting with **Deanna McMurray, State Director of Community Corrections, October 3, 2005** to discuss work release. When questioned by Mr. Moore about how the inmates would be screened for work release so that the Judges could feel comfortable with the program, Mr. McGregor stated that they would be screened by Community Corrections. Mr. McGregor stated that he intends to invite the Clark County Judges and the County Council Members. Mr. McGregor made a request for three to five hours of computer work from the County's Systems Administrators per year. Commissioner Haire made a motion to approve the request for up to five hours of Computer work. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

The Treasurer's monthly report was submitted for the record.

Mr. Moore reported that at his request **London Witte** will do an analysis to determine how much Edit/Cagit money might be left over after Bond payments are made next year. This should be finished in about one year.

Mr. Moore reported that the **Water & Sewer District** might adopt an updated plan at their meeting tonight and suggested a copy of that stay in the Auditor's Office. Commissioner Haire made a motion to have a copy kept in the Auditor's Office. Commissioner Guthrie seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Mr. Harry James Jansen Jr. made a request for a flashing caution light in front of **H & B Grocery** in Otisco. Commissioner Haire and Mr. Moore advised that the Commissioners do not have jurisdiction over signs on **State Highway # 3**. Mr. Jansen was referred to the State Legislators of Indiana on this matter. The Commissioners stated that they would instruct the County Engineer to send a letter to the State with a recommendation for the caution light.

Commissioner President Meyer entered a letter from **Dr. Jeffery McDonald** regarding diversion in hospitals for the record.

Commissioner Haire made a motion to change the next meeting date from October 5, 2005 to October 4, 2005. Commissioner Guthrie seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. The Commissioners instructed Secretary Angela Coleman to post the meeting change and send notice to the newspaper.

Commissioner Guthrie made a motion to set the **Cum Bridge Rate** at one cent (1) and appeal the Councils decision to omit it from the 2006 budget. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner Haire made a motion to recess the meeting until September 29, 2005 at 5:00 P M.

RECONVENED MEETING
SEPTEMBER 29, 2005

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Re-convened Session on September 29, 2005, in Room 308, City-County Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Present at the meeting were County Commissioners Edward Meyer, Vicky Kent Haire and Ralph Guthrie, County Auditor Barbara Haas, County Attorney Daniel Moore, Secretary Angela Coleman, and Deputy Auditor Theresa James.

The re-convened meeting was called to order by Commissioner President Meyer. Commissioner Meyer they turned the meeting over to Commissioner Guthrie who welcomed everyone and introduced Jean Burke and Jane Sorrels. The ladies gave a very informative speech and unveiled a painting "Threshold of Discovery" by Michael Haynes. The painting was presented to the Commissioners for Clark County and will hang in the General Meeting Room in the County Building at 501 East Court Avenue, Jeffersonville. The ladies invited everyone to attend the Heritage Festival, which will take place October 22nd and 23rd of 2005 at the George Rogers Clark home site. Also, November 4th and 5th of 2006 there will be another celebration of the anniversary of the return trip of Lewis and Clark. The Threshold of Discovery presentation from Michael Haynes was submitted for the record and passed out to the public.

Commissioner Haire introduced her Granddaughter Haley Corby who spoke regarding the importance of Lewis and Clark recognition to the history of Clark County.

The following persons were recognized, saluted and honored with **Certificates of Recognition** for public service to Clark County:

Ray Yeager
Allen Goldstein
Steve Knowles
Jennifer Abbott
Lynda Meyer
Jeff Grayson
Carol Grende
Jim Nichols
Senator Jim Lewis

Commissioner Guthrie made a motion to approve and sign Commissioner's Resolution 10-2005 (A Resolution Issuing a Proclamation of the Board of Commissioners of Clark County Establishing September 29, 2005 as "Lewis and Clark Volunteer Day" in Clark County Indiana). The Commissioners then appointed the following persons as Ambassadors of Clark County:

Jeanne Burke
James Keith
John Gilkey
John Minta
Dani Cummins
Jane Sarles
Ernest W. "Bill" Smith
Carl E. and Mary Kamer
Charles Ridenour
Stephanie Ambrose-Tubbs
Dan and Ruth Ann Waterfill
John Hamm
Dr. Claude Crump
Frances Hoehn
Janet Huff
Representative James Bottorff
Representative Bill Cochran
Senator Connie Sipes
Bob Hill
Bett Etenohan
Phyllis Yeager

The Commissioners named **Stephanie Ambrose-Tubbs** as an **Honorary Citizen of Clark County, Indiana** in memory and recognition of her contributions to the 2003 National Signature event and the enrichment of that event by the presence and contributions of Stephanie Ambrose-Tubbs. The Commissioners recognized the literary skills of her father but they recognized Stephanie Ambrose-Tubbs, in her own right, for the benefits she, herself, has brought to the Lewis and Clark history of Clark County, Indiana.

The Commissioners appointed **Elmer Hoehn** as "**Ambassador Extraordinaire**" of Clark County in full recognition of outstanding public service to this community, particularly in connection with the official recognition of the Eastern Legacy of the 1803-1806 Lewis and Clark Expedition that began from the falls of the Ohio River in Clark County, Indiana. This special award was created and presented at this time.

The Commissioner gave a special thank you to **Margie Jenkins, Angela Coleman, Mr. Moore** and **Haley Corby** for their work in putting together this award service and refreshments.

To the extent the Board held an executive session of any type under (I C 5-14-1.5-6) or otherwise, the Board hereby certifies that no subject matter was discussed therein except that posted in the notice for session or meeting (I C 5-14-1.5-6.1).

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA

EDWARD MEYER, PRESIDENT

VICKY KENT HAIRE, MEMBER

RALPH GUTHRIE, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY

ATTEST:

BARBARA BRATCHER HAAS
CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR