

REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

CLARK COUNTY INDIANA

MAY 6, 2004

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on May 6, 2004 in Room 308, City-County Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

The meeting was called to order by President Haire at 5:40 P M. The meeting was delayed because of a Drainage Board meeting.

Present at the meeting were County Commissioners Vicky Kent Haire, David Lewis, Raymond Parker, County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas, County Attorney Scott Lewis, Secretary/Administrative Assistant Pam Smith, and Deputy Auditor Theresa James.

The minutes for the meeting of April 22, 2004 were sent to County Attorney Scott Lewis and each of the Commissioners for their review prior to the meeting. In the first order of business a motion was made by Commissioner Lewis to approve and sign the minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 3-0. All references to "Mr. Lewis" refer to Scott Lewis. Commissioner Lewis and Mr. Lewis are not related.

County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas stated that she had audited the payroll claims and found 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. However, there is no approved appropriation against which to charge the amount and there is no approved levy from which to pay claims. A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to approve the payroll claims as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis Parker and passed 3-0.

At the meeting of April 22, 2004 the bids for six (6) new dump trucks were opened and taken under advisement until this meeting. At this meeting County Engineer Hyun Lee made a recommendation that the bid be awarded to Kentucky Truck Sales at the bid amount of forty four thousand seven hundred forty five dollars (\$45,745.00) per truck with upgrades in the amount of five hundred fifty six dollars(\$556.00) for each truck. The total per truck is forty five thousand three hundred one dollars (\$45,301.00). A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to follow the recommendation of Mr. Lee and award the bid to Kentucky Truck Sale Sales at the bid amount of forty four thousand seven hundred forty five dollars (\$45,745.00) per truck with upgrades in the amount of five hundred fifty six dollars(\$556.00) for each truck. The bid was for two hundred seventy one thousand eight hundred six dollars (\$271,806.00) for all six (6) trucks. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and passed 3-0.

Commissioner President Haire announced that the bid for bridge # 91 would be awarded at the Meeting of May 20, 2004.

Ms. Melissa Wood, Community Development Specialist, River Hills Economic Development District, was next on the agenda and appeared before the Board in regard to the Center for Lay Ministries construction of new facility. A motion was made by Commissioner Lewis to approve and authorize President Haire's signature on the accounts payable vouchers for Upton Pry, Inc. in the amount of thirty eight thousand eight hundred thirty dollars and ninety eight cents (\$38,830.98) and four thousand three hundred fourteen dollars and fifty five cents (\$4,314.55). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 3-0. Also, Commissioner Lewis made a motion to approve and authorize President Haire's signature on the accounts payable voucher for The Estopinal Group in the amount of eight hundred sixty dollars and ten cents (\$860.00). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 3-0.

Ms. Connie S. Keith-Hardin of the Clark County Youth Coalition presented the Board with Drug Free Communities Fund Grant Allocations List. A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to approve the list of allocations as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and passed 3-0. (See a copy attached.)

Ms. Sandy Lewis, Attorney for Greater Clark School System, appeared before the Board with a petition for the installation of a stop sign at the intersection of Utica-Sellersburg Road and Middle Road in Jeffersonville, Indiana. A motion was made by Commissioner Lewis to approve and sign Ordinance # 4-2004 (An Amendment to Article 6, Section 6-2 of the Clark County Traffic Ordinance Adding the Intersection of Utica Sellersburg Road and Middle Road to the List of Multiway Stop Intersections). County Engineer Hyun Lee agreed that the stop sign is needed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 3-0.

Ms. Kelli Demsey, Ms. Jennifer Reed and their children Jason and Carly appeared before the Board and presented the Board with a petition signed by residents of the Bittersweet/Hawthorn area of the Riverside Family Community. The petition is for night lights in their area. Also, they expressed their concerns about the crime rate and speeding in the area. Ms. Demsey stated that her daughter was hit by a car in this area and she fears for all the children. The Commissioners explained that what they can do in this situation is limited but instructed County Attorney Scott Lewis to send a letter to the Sheriff asking that they concentrate on that area to enforce the twenty (20) mile an hour speed limit. County Engineer Hyun Lee suggested that they consider a community block watch.

Mr. Nathan Grimes, Renaissance Design Engineering, appeared before the Board with a presentation and asked for consideration on future engineering projects for the County.

Mr. Tom Stockton, President, Mr. Dave Links, Director & Tom Bailey, Director JWA/HMB, Indiana, appeared before the Board with a presentation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to approve and sign an agreement for corrective action services on the Clark County Highway Garage Project with Strand Associates, Inc. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and passed 3-0. The Commissioners instructed County Engineer Hyun Lee to request the previous monitoring information from Bruce Carter Associates. The contract that the County had with Bruce Carter Associates has expired.

Commissioner Lewis reported that the GIS Committee met and that the next meeting of the Commissioners he will bring a draft of an ordinance that would create a GSI Board and non-reverting fund. This GIS Board will then have the authority to set fees as well as other necessary decisions. Also, Mr. Lewis reported that he has had several inquiries from vendors and others interested in purchasing the electronic data that the GSI will provide.

Commissioner Lewis reported that the County is eligible, because we are one of the thirty most populous counties in the State of Indiana, to receive a grant of approximately seventy-two thousand dollars for aerial photography to enhance our GIS data. The County's Director of Civil Defense Mr. Harold Plummer has agreed to apply for the grant.

Commissioner Lewis also reported on the meeting that the Commissioners co-sponsored on impact fees. After the meeting, one concern expressed to Commissioner Lewis was if the County adopts an impact fee ordinance, they should be careful how they configure the zones because, the Chamber of Commerce and SIADC like to lure new industry to our County. The concern is that impact fees will keep them from attracting the industry that will provide needed jobs for our area.

County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas began her report by expressing her appreciation to Commissioner Lewis for forwarding information about the seminar by the Clark County Small Business Association. Auditor Haas reported that she sent two of her deputies to the seminar which was about overtime reclassification.

A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to approve and sign the Annual Community Report of Common School Fund. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and passed 3-0.

In regard to the need for the replacement of the Animal Control Officer's truck which no longer runs and must be replaced. Pursuant to I.C.36-9-14.5-8 (c), the Board declared that the expenditure from the Cumulative Capital Development Company is necessary, to protect the public welfare and the Board declared, the existence of an emergency that demands immediate action with which, the Board declared, the public welfare would be in immediate danger. Commissioner Parker made a motion to approve the purchase and request that the Auditor write the check, pursuant to I.C.36-9-14.5-8 (c) in the amount of twenty six thousand five hundred dollars (\$26,500.00). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and passed 3-0.

The Defibulator Maintenance Agreement is due and the funds are not available in the Health Department's budget because when the money came from the sale of the hospital there was a plan to fund this agreement with a portion of that money. Commissioner President Haire reported that when the money came from the sale of the hospital it was deposited directly into the general fund. Pursuant to I.C.36-9-14.5-8 (c), the Board declared that the expenditure from the Cumulative Capital Development Company is necessary, to protect the public welfare and the Board declared, the existence of an emergency that demands immediate action with which, the Board declared, the public welfare would be in immediate danger. Commissioner Parker made a motion to approve the expenditure and request that the Auditor write the check pursuant to I.C.36-9-14.5-8 (c) in the amount of ten thousand five hundred dollars (\$10,500.00). The Health Department agreed that they would get this included in their budget next year. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and passed 3-0.

At the meeting of April 8, 2004 Barbara Bratcher Haas, County Auditor, reported that it was necessary to re-establish Cumulative Funds in a year of reassessment and asked the Board if it wanted her to proceed with the notice to taxpayers to re-establish the Cumulative Capital Development Fund at the maximum ten cents (\$.10) and the Cumulative Bridge Fund at the maximum ten cents (\$.10). Also at that time, The Commissioner's voted to direct the County Auditor to give notice to taxpayers for a public hearing on May 20, 2004 for the re-establishment of both Cumulative Funds as stated. At this meeting Auditor Haas gave an update and explained that the notice was published at the maximum (\$.0333) which is one third other than the ten cents (\$.10) which was discussed at the April 8th meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to table the appointment to the Drainage Board until the meeting of May 20, 2004. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and passed 3-0.

Commissioner Lewis made a motion to re-appoint Ms. Lois Mauk to the Cemetery Commission for a five year term expiring May 4, 2004.

There being no further business to come before the Board and on a motion made by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Parker, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA

VICKY KENT HAIRE, PRESIDENT

RAMOND PARKER, MEMBER

DAVID LEWIS, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY

ATTEST:

BARBARA BRATCHER HAAS
CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR