

REGULAR MEETING

CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

September 17, 2009

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on September 17, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 404, Clark County Government Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners – Ed Meyer, Mike Moore and Les Young, County Auditor, Keith Groth, County Attorney, Greg Fifer, Commissioner Secretary Kristi James and Deputy Secretary from the Auditor’s Office, Shirley Bell.

Approval of Minutes

Auditor Keith Groth presented the minutes from the September 3, 2009 meeting for approval. Les Young made the motion to approve and Mike Moore seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Amendment to the Agenda – None

Approval of Claims/Payroll

Auditor Keith Groth presented the monthly claims and payroll for approval stating all figures have been checked and verified as correct. Mike Moore made the motion to approve claims and payroll and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Public Comments

Randy Koetter appeared to ask for an outline of the schedule for Star Hill Road from Strand Engineering based on the foundation’s funding of \$53,000 as previously requested. Attorney Fifer will forward the detail draft to Mr. Koetter per email.

Les Young noted that Mike Flint put in for a Tiger Grant and the State will let the Board know by February 15, 2010, if the application is approved.

Clark County Memorial Hospital Appointment

Ed Meyer made a motion to appoint Dave Ehringer to the Hospital Board and Mike Moore seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Sellersburg Town Council

Paul Rhodes, Ken Alexander and Attorney Perry McCall were present to speak about the proposed annexation of Covered Bridge, the Willows and Sterling Oaks (map included). Attorney McCall gave a brief history of the reason for the annexation. Discussion was held with Paul Rhodes and Ken Alexander also discussing this annexation versus the incorporation issue. The Town of Sellersburg has a recorded agreement with Covered Bridge residents stating they would not file a remonstrance against annexing this area into the Town.

Attorney Greg Fifer spoke about incorporation and annexation. Attorney Fifer filed **Resolution 12-2009** for recognizing the filing of a petition for incorporation. (The Petition to Incorporate is included in the record) Mike Moore made a motion to accept Resolution 12-2009 and Les Young seconded the motion. The motion was approved 3-0 and a hearing date was set for Wednesday, December 9, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. The hearing will not be held if more than 51% of the residents object to the incorporation.

For the record Perry McCall for the Town of Sellersburg and Larry Gupton representing the residents of Covered Bridge will be the contacts for the date of the hearing. Notices for the hearing will have to be sent by the petitioners by certified mail to each of the residents and property owners in the area to be incorporated, and the petitioners will need to provide the Board with proof of such mailings at least 10 days before the hearing.

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Aviation Board

Attorney Jack Vissing and Melody McNames appeared to update the Board on the 2007 Study done by the Board of Commissioners. The fuel flow fee has been incorporated and they are still looking for an airport manager. The Airport Board would like to become an airport authority through legislation. Attorney Vissing explained how that would affect the airport. Discussion was held on expanding the runways and the amount the Aviation Board is receiving from FFA.

Les Young asked how the fuel flow fee was doing and Attorney Vissing stated it will generate approximately \$75,000 to \$80,000 this year.

Clark County Landfill Bid

Mike Harris presented a contractors bid for Excel Excavating to pay \$44,756.75 to take care of a drainage problem at the landfill out of Landfill Improvements. Mike Moore made a motion to approve the contract subject to the funds being available and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Mr. Harris presented a contract from Stantec Consulting Services for GEO Technical Services at the Landfill for \$139,500 out of Landfill Improvements. Mike Moore made a motion to approve subject to the money being available and Ed Meyer seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Planning Commission

Attorney Greg Fifer presented **Ordinance 5-2009** which is Amendment #3 of 17-2007 which amends the County Zoning Ordinance. Ed Meyer made the motion to approve and Les Young seconded the motion. The motion was approved 3-0.

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Resolution 9-2009 from the Planning and Zoning to revise the Planned Unit Development primary plan for a portion of Hawthorn Glen from multi-family apartments to duplex units to serve persons with developmental disabilities was presented for approval. Ed Meyer made a motion to approve and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Lifespring Invoice

Mike Moore brought up payment for the Lifespring Invoice for \$161,000. After discussion they will ask the Sheriff if it can be paid from the State Prisoner Fund. Mike Moore made a motion to pay the invoice from the State Prisoner Fund and Ed Meyer seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Mike Moore brought up the sirens for 911 and the sites selected for two new sirens. The highest population at the present are the outskirts of the city in the new annexed area of Jeffersonville, Highway 62 by Dave Carr Road and Otisco area. Cost should be approximately \$45,000 but will cost the county no more than \$25,000 with the other \$20,000 paid by a grant from the Ogle Foundation. Mike Moore made a motion to put the sirens in at the two locations recommended by Les Kavanaugh and Brad Meixell. Les Young seconded and the motion was approved 3-0.

Mike Moore mentioned problems with the County Surveyor and suggested creating a resolution mandating a second copy be sent to Margie Jenkins or Kristi James when letters are sent to the Surveyor. Attorney Fifer offered to draft a resolution. Mike Moore made the motion and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

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Auditor's Report

Auditor Keith Groth stated in 1992 additional appropriations were not approved that year by the Board of Commissioners and in 1993 no additional appropriations were approved. In 1994 drastic steps had to be taken to reduce the budget and that took two years to recover. However, today it is unprecedented as to the seriousness of the budget. It will take us over two years to recuperate. The council has not commented at this time, however, having Dan Eggerman, Consultant, was suggested to have him come to the Board. Ed Meyer made a motion to have Mr. Eggerman come down and the Board will pay up to \$5,000 for this service he provides and Mike Moore seconded. The motion was approved 3-0. Mr. Groth will contact him.

Highway Dept

Engineer Hyun Lee stated on August 9, 8 out of 9 road had been paved (letters attached). Les Young made a motion to accept and Mike Moore seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Mr. Lee presented Hibernia Road which needed approval. Mike Moore made the motion to approve and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Mr. Lee presented a list of items to be auctioned on November 7, 2009 at the Highway Garage on SR 403 (included). On October 24, 2009 the County Sheriff is having an auction.

Mr. Lee wanted to ask for \$283,680 to pay for the paver recently ordered. Mike Moore made a motion to declare an emergency from Cum Cap for \$142,000 and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0. Mike Moore made a motion to pay \$142,000 for the paver and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0. Mike Moore mentioned the recent letter from the County Council requesting all departments cut their budget 22%. Mr. Moore suggested the Board cut their pay by 22%. Attorney Fifer will check this out.

Mike Moore talked to Tony Semones about the Oak Park Car Wash and their continual problem with trash and grass overgrowth. Mr. Moore requested that Attorney Fifer send a letter to the Health Department concerning this problem.

Ed Meyer asked that a letter from CRC Health Group be entered into the record.

Ed Meyer entered into the record that he attended a Wage Determination Meeting at Greater Clark Schools. Ed Meyer made the motion and Mike Moore seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

There being no further business Mike Moore made the motion to adjourn. Les Young seconded and the meeting was adjourned 3-0.

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

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA

EDWARD MEYER, PRESIDENT

MIKE MOORE, VICE-PRESIDENT

LES YOUNG, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY _____

ATTEST: _____

KEITH D. GROTH, CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR