

REGULAR MEETING
CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 28, 2013

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on March 28, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. in Room 404, Clark County Government Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners – Jack Coffman, Rick Stephenson and John Perkins, County Auditor R. Monty Snelling, County Attorney Jake Elder, Commissioners’ Secretary Allison Richey and Deputy Auditor Amber Graves.

Pledge of Allegiance led by John Perkins and prayer was led by Monty Snelling.

Approval of the Minutes

Due to a personal loss minutes were not available for approval. Commissioner Perkins made a motion to table the approval of the March 14th Regular Meeting and March 19th Special Meeting until the April 11th meeting. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Amendment to the Agenda - None

Approval of Claims/Payroll

County Auditor R. Monty Snelling presented claims and payroll for April 3, 2013 for approval as submitted by the officeholders and department managers stating all figures had been signed, verified and funds are available. Commissioner Perkins asked Auditor Snelling if everything was in order. Auditor Snelling answered in the affirmative. Commissioner Perkins made motion to approve Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Public Comments Relating to the Agenda - None

I. Administrative Agenda

A. County Engineer Brian Dixon stated the County had received the following three bids: 1) Jackson Jennings Co-op/SynEnergy, 2) Jackson Jennings

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Co-op and 3) Makowsky Oil Co. Inc. Mr. Dixon stated all three companies met the specification guidelines. He also stated Makowsky Oil Co. Inc. submitted the lowest bid.

Mr. Dixon recommended accepting all three bids. He stated if all three bids were accepted the Highway Department could call all three companies and it would also allow them to select the lowest price on that particular day. Commissioner Stephenson questioned why the Makowsky Oil Co. bid was so much lower. Mr. Dixon said he could not answer that question. He stated it was a possible the day they made their quote the market price was lower. Commissioner Stephenson stated that he was not satisfied with the bids and the way they were submitted. Mr. Dixon stated that they were submitted according to the instructions. Commissioner Stephenson questioned whether they should be rebid. After a lengthy discussion, Commissioner Perkins made a motion to accept the bid from Makowsky Oil Company Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Motion approved 2-1. Commissioner Coffman opposed.

B. Edward Culpepper Cooper & Barbara Gallegos, Neace Lukens appeared before the Board regarding the Property & Casualty & Workers' Compensation Renewal. Mr. Culpepper Cooper informed the Commissioners that he has sent out request for proposals to eight insurance carriers. Mr. Culpepper Cooper stated that all of the quotes would be in before the August 1st renewal date. Ms. Gallegos stated that all of the companies would not be quoting the Workers' Compensation. Commissioner Coffman asked why that would be the case. Mr. Culpepper Cooper and Ms. Gallegos both stated it was due to economics. They stated there were not enough profit margins in the Workers Compensation to interest them. Mr. Culpepper Cooper stated that they were only dealing with companies with an A rating. Commissioner Stephenson stated that he would like to have any agent that wanted to submit quotes be allowed to do so. Mr. Culpepper Cooper strongly disagreed. He stated that could cause the opposite effect. Commissioner Stephenson said he believed competition was good and that he doesn't want to continue the bad practices of the past. Mr. Culpepper Cooper wanted it stated in the record that he did not cause those problems. Commissioner Perkins made a motion to allow Mr. Culpepper Cooper to speak to department heads and gather the necessary information to acquire quotes. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Commissioner Stephenson stated that he would like to allow other agencies to do the same. Commissioner Perkins stated that he didn't think that was permissible.

Commissioner Coffman said that would be a question for the County Attorney to look into.

C. County Attorney Jake Elder presented a confidential settlement offer made by AT&T. The offer was a refund of surcharges. Attorney Elder stated due to the confidential nature of the offer, by law, he could not go into detail. The offered amount was \$630.00. Commissioner Perkins made a motion to accept the offer. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

D. County Attorney Elder presented Ordinance No. 4-2013 An Ordinance Establishing A Fund For The 2011 Clark County Employee Health Insurance Rebate. The fund will receive the portion of the rebate that is to be distributed to the employees. The County's portion will remain in the self- insurance fund. Auditor Snelling stated that this was recommended by the State Board of Accounts. Commissioner Perkins asked if the County Council would have to approve the transfer to the new fund. Auditor Snelling stated that would not be needed. He stated a correcting entry would have to be made. He stated that the County Council would have to approve an additional appropriation to distribute the money to the employees. Commissioner Perkins made motion to approve Ordinance No. 4-2013. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

E. Matters tabled from prior meeting:

1. Mike Whelan – Property & Casuality Insurance was not in attendance.

F. Auditor Report/Comments - None

G. Attorney Report/Comments - None

H. Officeholders/Department Heads Present at Meeting

County Engineer Brian Dixon spoke concerning the new planned County road between the Airport and River Ridge. He asked for direction from the Commissioners. Mr. Dixon stated that KIPDA acknowledged that all paperwork was submitted. He stated they were turned down due to the lack of KIPDA funding. Mr. Dixon asked if he should contact INDOT. Commissioner Perkins stated that this was a very important project and we should proceed with all options. He also stated that the Commissioners have at their disposal funds to complete the preliminary work. Commissioner Perkins stated that when the road is completed it would open thousands of acres up for economic development. Commissioner

Coffman stated that he is attending a meeting March 29th with INDOT and would discuss the project.

I. Ratifications and Approvals

1. Commissioner Coffman stated the Commissioners want to get the Redevelopment Board back on track and moving forward. He stated the Commissioners have appointed three appointments to the five person board. Commissioner Perkins made motion to appoint Jack Coffman, John Perkins and Rick Stephenson. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Motion approved 3-0. County Attorney Elder stated Indiana Code states that the three Commissioners will not receive pay or stipend for serving on the Redevelopment Commission.

2. Commissioner Coffman stated there have been five names suggested for the five member The Jail Holding Corporation Board. They are Jill Oca, Jeremy Snelling, Brian Jones, Brian Lenfert and Denny Hill. Commissioner Perkins made the motion to approve the names suggested. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

3. Commissioner Coffman stated Jennifer Culotta has been highly recommended for the Public Defender Board. Attorney Elder confirmed that he knows Ms. Culotta and confirmed her experience. Commissioner Perkins made the motion to approve Jennifer Culotta. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

II. Technical Agenda

A. Brent Roberts, BFS Consulting Engineering appeared before the Board to introduce himself and BFS Consulting Engineering. He stated the company is based in Indianapolis but he works out of the Jeffersonville office and is a Clark County resident.

III. Public Comment - None

Commissioner Coffman stated he would like the County to recognize Borden High School Basketball achievement in winning the State Championship.

Commissioner Perkins made motion to adjourn. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Motion approved 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

JACK COFFMAN, PRESIDENT

RICK STEPHENSON,
VICE-PRESIDENT

JOHN PERKINS, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY _____

ATTEST: _____

R. MONTY SNELLING,
CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR