

REGULAR MEETING

CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

September 3, 2009

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on September 3, 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. County Engineer, Hyun Lee was absent.

Approval of Minutes

Auditor Keith Groth presented the minutes from the August 20, 2009 meeting for approval. Mike Moore made the motion to approve the minutes and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Amendments to the Agenda – None

Approval of Claims/Payroll

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

Public Comments

Chris Broughton appeared before the Board on behalf of his company. He has submitted an update of his contract to Attorney Fifer and has put Attachment “A” with the contract. Mr. Broughton stated that savings would still be over \$130,000 annually and said his company still wanted to work with the Board. The Board thanked Mr. Broughton for coming and giving his update.

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County Treasurer

County Treasurer Janet Hurst presented the Board with bids from two companies to install safety glass and cabinets in the County Treasurer's office for security purposes. Discussion was held and Ms Hurst is trying to get additional bids to get the lowest bid. Mike Moore made a motion to declare an emergency up to \$7500 from Cum Cap and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 2-1 with Ed Meyer voting against. Mike Moore made a motion to approve paying half of the \$14,800.00 or \$7,500.00 and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 2-1 with Ed Meyer voting against.

Security buttons are being installed at this time in the offices by the Building Authority and they will be covering these costs.

Ms Hurst presented the contracts for Your Community Bank, Main Source Bank and New Washington Bank to collect taxes after bills are sent. Mike Moore made the motion to approve and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0. Copies of each were given to the Auditor.

GIS System

Ms Hurst stated that GIS will be put on her system and taxpayer will have the option to look up their taxes and pay the bill online.

Ms Hurst gave an update on the Courtesy Letters sent recently. To date payments as well as early payments have totaled over \$2,000,000 collected so far.

Judge Vicki Carmichael, Judge Dan Moore and Judge Joe Weber were present to present a list (included in minutes) of renovations to be made with the courts. Item #4 has not been budgeted at this point. Cost will be \$300,000 and the Building Authority will be paying \$160,000 for a total of \$460,000. Ed Meyer made a motion to declare an emergency from Cum Cap and Mike Moore seconded. The motion was approved 3-0. Ed Meyer made a motion to take \$300,000 from Cum Cap and Mike Moore seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Contract with Levois Davis/Forensic Services Group

Discussion was held with an addendum to the contract for Levois Davis of Forensics Service Group providing evaluations to those in the Work Release Center. This could run approximately \$10,000 to \$15,000 more per year. Mike Moore made a motion to provide up to 10 evaluations per year for \$6,000 and each additional \$1,000. Les Young seconded the motion and the motion was approved 3-0. This will be signed outside the meeting.

Ed Meyer made a motion to accept the contract for Forsenic Services of Southern Indiana, LLD for a total of \$111, 000 (which includes the addendum \$105,000 plus \$6,000). Mike Moore seconded the motion and the motion was approved 3-0.

Work Release Medications

Ed Meyer will talk to the sheriff about the General Nurse dispensing medications to the Work Release clients for better clarification. LeVois Davis said he will cover Work Release for a few months on psychiatric evaluations.

Lights/Cameras in Parking Lots

Judge Carmichael asked about getting cameras and lighting in the parking lots to monitor vandalism. Mark VanGilder will get some price quotes.

Judge Moore asked about monitoring the halls on the second floor due to some incidents that have occurred when courts are in session. He suggested a discussion could be held with the courts, the sheriff and the Board of Commissioners to see if a solution is feasible.

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CASA

Judge Carmichael (as stated on her list) discussed the matching funding contract with the state. Mike Moore made the motion to certify this to the state and Ed Meyer seconded. The motion was approved 3-0. This approval of increase is in the minutes.

Clark County Soil & Water

Tami Kruer asked the Board to submit a letter of support for the Silver Creek Watershed Improvement Project Grant to develop an improvement plan for a total of \$636,000. Ed Meyer made a motion to submit the letter and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Covered Bridge Petition

Larry Gupton and Don Simmons were present to discuss the revised signatures they submitted with the proper wording for incorporation not annexation. They have consulted with Attorney Andrew Wright for proper procedures after receiving a letter from Attorney Fifer addressing some of the problems. Discussion was held and Mr. Gupton explained their situation. Attorney Fifer gave an explanation of his letter and after all affidavits are submitted a public hearing will have to be held.

Auditor's Report

Auditor Keith Groth presented the Clark County Treasurer's monthly report for August 2009 for the record. The Auditor stated that the State Auditor had approved our 2009 Abstract so we can continue with tax billing which will be due one time, November 10, 2009.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Greg Fifer said the signage on Waterline Road will cost approximately \$7,343. That cost totals \$39,650.24 spent which is just shy of the \$40,000 allocated for this project. Mike Moore made a motion to pay this \$7,343 and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

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Jim Ross said he met with FEMA and applied for \$100,000 in Federal Aid. He also said the state is holding the \$296,000 for January storm money due us.

Jim Ross said he met with Bliss McKnight and they will have a Safety Meeting on September 13 and 14.

Mike Moore mentioned the problems the Drainage Board has been having with the County Surveyor not coming to their meetings. Discussion was held and Ed Meyer and Attorney Fifer will talk to Mr. Isgrigg.

Mike Moore brought up funding for Star Hill Road. Les Young reported that Mark Strand has been contacted and he wants a meeting with INDOT, Strand and the Board to detail this project onsite. Mike Moore wanted to thank Jim Ross about this project.

Les Young said he was contacted by a resident on St. Joe Hill Road and the dangers on the hill. It was suggested that a dangerous curve sign be put up.

Ed Meyer stated that a loan for MS4 was made to the Drainage Board for \$200,000 and it needs to go back to the proper fund. There is also jail money left, approximately \$600,000 that needs to go back into EDIT funds. Attorney Fifer will send a letter to Attorney Greg Read.

Les Young mentioned that Buckets Restaurant is selling their restaurant and the associated house and he has asked them to give the Board the amount that they would require to sell these properties.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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).

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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

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