

**REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA
NOVEMBER 7, 2002**

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on November 7, 2002 in Room 308, City-County Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

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

County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas having audited the payroll claims, found them to be in accordance with Indiana Code 5-11-10-2, and submitted them to the Board for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve and sign said claims. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve and sign Ordinance 15-2002 (An ordinance establishing a "Law Enforcement Fund" for the benefit of the office of the prosecuting attorney). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0. (See a copy of the ordinance attached.)

Ms. Deana Brooks, Clark County Systems Administrator, accompanied by Barbara Bratcher Haas, County Auditor, and Dick Jones, County Treasurer, appeared regarding a needed computer upgrade for tax billing. Ms. Brooks addressed the reasons for the needed upgrade advising the Board that the current operating system is DOS and needs to be upgraded to Windows in order to comply with requirements associated with tax billing for 2002 payable in 2003. A copy of the cost estimates was left with the Board. Ms. Haas and Mr. Jones informed the Board that legislative changes, referring to House Bill 1001 passed into law by the Indiana General Assembly in July 2001, made numerous changes in the way tax bills are calculated. Unless the upgrade is completed in time for tax bills to be issued in the spring of 2002 all units of government, not just the county unit, will be severely affected because of the delay in receiving tax distribution. Both Ms. Haas and Mr. Jones stated that neither of them was anxious to convert tax computers, however state law has mandated these changes. Ms. Haas and Mr. Jones requested that the Board of Commissioners consider funding the upgrade from the Cumulative Capital Development Fund. Ms. Haas stated that she feels the purpose of the fund is to make capital purchases and this certainly falls within the designed uses of the fund. The Board expressed concerns since the Cumulative Capital Development Fund was being used to pay for the housing of prisoners outside of the county due to the overcrowding of the jail. Ms. Haas responded by saying that unless tax bills are issued and taxes collected, there will be no funds to pay any bills next year. The Board took no action at this time.

Mr. John Kilmer, Bruce Carter Associates, appeared before the Board with an update on the Clark County highway garage project and presented the Board with a financial timeline and a corrective action plan. Mr. Kilmer also presented the Board with the proposed budget for 2003 of one hundred eighty two thousand dollars (\$182,000.00). County Engineer Hyun Lee stated that he would have to review the budget and make a recommendation at the next meeting. County Engineer Hyun Lee then made a recommendation that the Board approve the expenditure of seventeen thousand two hundred thirty nine dollars (\$17,239.00) for the State required compliance amount. A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve the expenditure and sign at the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0.

At the meeting of October 24, 2002 Mr. Keith Lockmueller, Mr. Dean Boernste and Mr. Dominic Romano, Bernardin Lockmueller and Associates, appeared before the Board with an update on the Perry Crossing Road project. At that time Mr. Romano explained that if they make the changes requested by two of the property owners the project would take an extra ten months to complete with an additional cost of at least \$60,000.00. At that time after a motion by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Haire, the Board voted 3-0 to table a decision for ten days and have the project Engineers meet with the property owners to get their intentions. At this time Mr. Jim Gulick, Bernardin, Lockmueller and Associates, reported that they met with the property owners at Mr. Kopp's home and recommended a solution in which the property owners are satisfied. Mr. Hyun Lee, County Engineer, made a recommendation that the Board approve the final design change. A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to allow the redesign presented by Mr. Gulick on the Perry Crossing Road project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0. (See page two for supplemental agreement # 3 on this project.)

Mr. Randy Hancock, Hannum Wagle & Cline Engineering, appeared before the Board with a presentation and a request to be considered for future projects by the County.

Mr. Mike Edmondson, Business Coordinator, and Mr. Scott Hornsby, Transportation Director, R. W. Armstrong Engineering, appeared before the Board with a presentation and a request to be considered for future engineering services for the County.

County Engineer Hyun Lee reported that about three weeks ago he met with Seico Engineering and the State Highway Department about the Starlight Road project. Mr. Mark Rape, Seico Engineering, joined Mr. Lee with an update on the project. Mr. Rape explained that about three years ago when Seico was given notice to proceed they finished the survey and when they were about forty percent finished they had not received approval for the federal construction money. County Engineer Hyun Lee instructed Seico that the county would not spend any more county money until they were sure that they would receive the federal construction grant. In October Seico Engineering received notification that the project is going to be eighty percent funded through INDOT and they are ready to proceed. Mr. Lee explained that the Starlight Foundation would provide the match funds for the grant.

At the recommendation of Mr. Hyun Lee, County Engineer, a motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve seventeen thousand two hundred thirty nine dollars project cost for the New Washington highway garage project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve and sign Supplemental Agreement No.3 on the Perry Crossing Road project between Bernardin, Lockmuller and Associates and Clark County Commissioners whereas the previous not to exceed total was two hundred thirteen thousand and thirty-four dollars. This supplement increases this value by twenty-one thousand dollars, to a new not to exceed value of two hundred thirty-four thousand and thirty-four dollars. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0. (See a copy of the agreement attached.)

At the recommendation of County Engineer Hyun Lee, a motion was made by Commissioner Haire to accept the streets in Dasein Estates Subdivision Sections 1 & 2, Ridgeview Subdivision and Seilo Ridge Subdivision Section 3 into the county inventory based on certain restrictions. (See restrictions on copies of the letters attached.) The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to accept County Engineer Hyun Lee's recommendation for the survey appraisals on the Perry Crossing Road project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0.

Commissioner Haire made a motion to approve and sign a non-exclusive franchise agreement between the Board of Commissioners and the Forest Park Preservation Association, Incorporated. County Attorney Scott Lewis stated that he had reviewed the agreement and recommended approval by the Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0. (See a copy of the agreement attached.)

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to change the December 5, 2002 meeting to December 12, 2002 at 5:30 P.M. and to change the bid opening for the Clark County Highway Department annual bids to that same meeting. Also, the motion

included having a special meeting on December 9, 2002 at 8:30 AM to approve payroll. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0.

Commissioner Haire reported that she received a call about changing the speed limit on Utica Pike because motorists are having trouble when they try to access Utica Pike from Longview Drive. Mr. Lee, County Engineer, stated that he sent a crew out to cut the trees that were obstructing the view and he thought the problem was solved. The Board asked Mr. Lee to get more facts and report back to the Board.

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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA

RAYMOND PARKER, PRESIDENT

DAVID LEWIS, MEMBER

VICKY KENT HAIRE, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY

ATTEST:

BARBARA BRATCHER HAAS
CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR