

## REGULAR MEETING

### CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**April 2, 2009**

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on April 2, 2009 at 5:00 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, and Deputy Secretary from the Auditor's Office, Shirley Bell.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

**Auditor Keith Groth** presented the minutes from the March 19, 2009 meeting for approval. Mike Moore made the motion to approve the minutes and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

**Amendment to the Agenda** – None noted

#### **Approval of Claims/Payroll**

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

#### **Public Comments**

**Mark Farmer of Rudd Equipment** passed out a handout of his company showing a map of their product support and specifications for a paver.

**Karen DeWitt** spoke on behalf of her parents the land needed for Henryville-Blue Lick Road that the commissioners are acquiring. After discussion Les Young, Hyun Lee and Attorney Greg Fifer will meet with the Deaton's (father is Willie) showing them the land needed. Ms. DeWitt says the present quote is \$11,337.60.

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**Ginger Davidson of Lee Bottom Flying Field** spoke about the fuel fees on other airports. Warsaw and Columbus municipalities own the airports and charge a fuel flow fee with Warsaw the lowest. Warsaw's has the lowest fuel fee and the only income they have. The city of Columbus gets only 25% income from fuel flow fee and 65% comes from big businesses. Other airports use fuel flow taxes with additional income sources from sales tax and income tax produced from the airport going out to other sources not put back into the airport funds. She felt 10% to 25% of the businesses would lose income up to \$90 million because of the fuel fee tax. She also passed out some charts to the Board.

**Mike Smith** just wanted to comment on the EMS situation and that is "keep it like it is with Yellow providing service for the City of Jeffersonville".

**Tim Cochran** spoke about the New Washington Beautification Committee to put a sign up to welcome people to New Washington. The sign will say "Welcome to New Washington since 1815, Thank You for Visiting". Hyun Lee will approve any locations to assure they will not infringe with the State Highway right-of-way.

#### **Resolution 4-2009 – Fuel Flow Fee**

**Attorney Greg Fifer** looked into the Board adopting this resolution and he felt the Air Board should be the ones adopting such resolution. Les Young made a motion that it's the Air Board's decision to set this fuel fee. Mike Moore seconded the motion and the motion carried 3-0.

#### **Sheriff's Business**

**Sheriff Dan Rodden** presented a grant that will be jointly entered into with the City of Jeffersonville for \$28,000 to \$29,000. **Ordinance 2-2009** was assigned to this Inter-Local Agreement. Mike Moore made a motion to accept and Les Young seconded. The motion carried 3-0.

Sheriff Rodden present a Drug and Alcohol Program working with Department of Correction inmates. This comes from the Jail Fund and a motion was made to accept this program by Les Young and Mike Moore seconded. The motion was approved 3-0. Copy to come from Sheriff.

Painting at the Handicap Area on Watt Street is being done.

## **Auditor's Report**

**Auditor Keith Groth** deferred to Assessor Vickie Haire and Chris Walls of 39 Degrees North. This company is cleaning up properties (approximately 9000) for nothing. Keith had them breakdown the different proposals. Training will need to be done in the Auditor's office. Mr. Walls stated all three databases will be checked periodically to make sure they balance.

Ed Meyer asked for a County Contract form for this proposal. Quotes will be put on a County Contract form or an addendum will be put on the contract in effect now. This will be done at the next meeting.

**Attorney Greg Fifer** asked if the buildings at the airport were taxed and the answer is no. Vickie Haire will check as to why not and get back to Mr. Fifer.

## **Attorney's Report**

**Attorney Greg Fifer** presented an agreement on the county form from DLZ on completion of Bridge No 3 carrying Utica Pike over Lancassange Creek. Mike Moore made the motion and Les Young seconded and the motion was approved 3-0.

Attorney Fifer presented the final map from Mr. Blankenbaker showing who owns what roadway on Brown Forman Road and Utica-Sellersburg Road. Mr. Fifer will get a map showing the subdivisions annexed by Jeffersonville on Salem-Noble Road, and then draft an inter-local agreement that would equitably divide maintenance responsibilities in a clearer manner. The Town of Utica will be offered ownership of Brown Forman Road first, or the city of Jeffersonville if Utica does not accept. At this point the County will pave their part of Brown Forman Road before turning it over to either Utica or Jeffersonville. A motion was made by Mike Moore and seconded by Les Young. The motion carried 3-0 for Mr. Fifer to proceed.

Mr. Fifer talked with Judy DeSimone about the County Council appointing two (2) commissioners to the Redevelopment Commission. There also needs to be one (1) school board official appointed as Advisory member from a school system in the county.

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Mr. Fifer talked about a claim turned in from one of the highway workers for his boots and pants to be repaired due to a hydraulic leak. Normally this goes through the claim process but Ed Meyer made a motion to approve this and Les Young seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0

### **Highway Department**

**Hyun Lee** presented Mike Harris who talked about the Recovery Dollars from IDOT for road paving. Mr. Lee presented a list of roads to pave with the total of over 30 miles of roadway. The list is 42 miles. Only 3.5 million is available so these will be submitted to INDOT. Ed Meyer made the motion and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

### **Commissioner Comments**

**Mike Moore** questioned Salem Noble Road being included in the City of Jeffersonville's road plan. This will be checked out.

Mike Moore asked about the tarp over the trucks to Mr. Harris. After discussion was held, Attorney Fifer will draft an ordinance at Mr. Moore's request.

Mike Moore questioned the continuation of the trucks turning around in driveways on Tunnel Mill Road and if an ordinance can be drafted. Mike Moore made a motion to send a letter to State Representative Terry Goodin and Ed Meyer seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

### **Bid Bridge**

**Hyun Lee** spoke about the four specs turned in from the bidders on Bid Bridge. A sheet showing the four top bidders from Bid Bridge was also passed out. Ed Meyer made the motion to take under advisement these bids and specs and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Mr. Lee spoke about the paving season and when paving will start. We have about \$800,000 to spend on paving.

**Mike Moore** brought up replacing a highway worker, William Wampler, that retired but felt the position should not be filled at this time due to the economy so no action was taken. **Les Young** made a motion to have Jim Ross as the new highway superintendent/compliance officer. Ed Meyer seconded and the motion carried 2-1 with Mike Moore abstaining.

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Discussion was held about the EMS Service and leaving the contracts like they are until 2012 when they will be up for renewal.

There being no further business Ed Meyer made a motion to adjourn 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 CLARK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA

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EDWARD MEYER, PRESIDENT

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MIKE MOORE, VICE-PRESIDENT

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LES YOUNG, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

KEITH D. GROTH, CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR

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