

August 12, 2003

The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 10:02 AM on Tuesday, August 12, 2003, with a quorum of three (3) Commissioners in the Commissioners' Meeting Room on the first floor of the Hendricks County Government Center with the following in attendance:

Linda Palmer-Ryser)	
Steven L. Ostermeier)	Hendricks County Board of Commissioners
Sonya R. Cleveland)	
Gregory E. Steuerwald		Hendricks County Attorney
Nancy L. Marsh		Hendricks County Auditor
Russ Lawson		Hendricks County Highway Superintendent
John Ayers		Hendricks County Engineer
Terry Jones		Hendricks County Planning Director
James McBryant		Acting Hendricks County Home Administrator
Jerry Bowden		Hendricks County Human Resources Director
Judith Wyeth		Secretary to the Commissioners

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Cleveland moved to approve claims #112892 thru 113221,, #059303 thru 059584 and direct deposit

#004354 thru 004550 as presented August 12, 2003. Commissioner Ostermeier seconded the motion and the motion

was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY TRUCKS

Commissioner Palmer-Ryser ask if there were any additional bids to be turned in. There were none.

Commissioner Ostermeier moved to accept all bids received and close bids at 10:05 AM. Commissioner Cleveland

seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

The following bids were opened and read for two tandem Highway trucks:

Hare Chevrolet	\$75,097 with trade in of \$13,500
Kenworth of Indianapolis	82,236 with trade in of \$14,000 (did not meet

specs)

Wabash Ford

74,826 with trade in of \$12,500

Commissioner Ostermeier moved to accept all bids opened and read, to take these bids under review and

advisement and bring back next week with a recommendation. Commissioner Cleveland seconded the motion and the

motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF UNITED WAY

Susie Friend, United Way, came forward to request approval to run the County employee campaign for United

Way and to place the United Way sign on the Courthouse lawn. Commissioner Ostermeier moved to market the

United Way campaign through Human Resources and Payroll and to allow the sign on the Courthouse lawn.

Commissioner Cleveland seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF LINK

Pat Cockrum, Sycamore Services, and Beth Anne Leach, Senior Services, requested a \$10,000 match for a grant

through Indiana Department of Transportation (IN DOT) for LINK transportation to expand services for Hendricks

County residents. James English, IN DOT, gave a brief history of the LINK transportation program, explained the

funding process and commended Hendricks County for their participation in this program. Commissioner Ostermeier

moved to continue this request and to present a letter to the Council on Thursday, August 14. Commissioner

Cleveland seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF BROWNSBURG FIRE TERRITORY

Receipt was acknowledged of a request from Kroger, Gardis & Regas for an appointment to the Wage

Determination Committee for the Brownsburg Fire Territory for lease/purchase transaction-training facility, and

submitted the name of Walter Duncan, 19 Redwood Court, Brownsburg, for this position. Commissioner Ostermeier

moved to accept the nomination and appoint Walter Duncan to serve on the Brownsburg Fire Territory Wage

Committee. Commissioner Cleveland seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY HOME

James McBryant presented the Medical Nutritional Therapists, Inc. contract for medical nutritional therapy and

food service management consulting agreement with the County Home. Mr. McBryant advised that this service is for

dietary purposes, offers meal-planning, employee training in-service, a purchase guide program for food to control

costs and dietary restrictions. Commissioner Ostermeier moved to take the contract under advisement and for the

County Attorney to review. Commission Cleveland seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously

3-0-0.

James McBryant advised that they are working to hire a part time maintenance person for the County Home.

Commissioner Ostermeier expressed thanks and appreciation to Mr. McBryant for his help in taking steps to address

issues at the County Home.

IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY

Russ Lawson advised they are working on the 56th Street project, patching, laying hot mix and doing shoulder

work on County roads.

IN THE MATTER OF NORTH/SOUTH CORRIDOR

John Ayers presented a draft letter to the Council for additional appropriations to EDIT for road design and plans

for CR 100S to US 36 of the North/South Corridor and advised that we need to appropriate the entire contract

amount, however, the State will reimburse us for 100% of these expenses. It was the consensus of the Commissioners

that Mr. Ayers present this request to the Council.

The signed ribbon from the ribbon cutting ceremony for the North/South Corridor for CR 100N to 200N was

presented and will be placed in the display case at the Government Center. There was discussion of determining a

name for this road.

IN THE MATTER OF WYNBROOKE, SECTION 1

Terry Jones presented a letter of August 12, requesting a release of the performance bond for Wynbrooke, Section

1, and stated that based on an on-site inspection by the Planning Department recommended the performance bond be

released upon receipt of a maintenance bond in the amount of \$239,100. Commissioner Cleveland moved to release

the performance bond of \$478,000 upon receipt of a maintenance bond in the amount of

\$239,100 for Wymbrook,

Section 1, as recommended by the Planning Director. Commissioner Ostermeier seconded the motion and the motion

was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF WHEEL TAX – COUNTY ATTORNEY

Receipt was acknowledged of the August 1, 2003, letter from Greg Steuerwald proposing a reduction in his fees on

the Wheel Tax Bond issue stating that according to his contract, the fee would be approximately \$25,000 and felt a

thirty-six percent (36%) reduction to \$16,000 is more appropriate. Mr. Steuerwald further advised that historically, he

has always adjusted his fee on bonds, depending on the issue and has reduced fees from 20%-60%.

Commissioner Ostermeier expressed appreciation to Greg Steuerwald for all the work he does for the County.

IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING

Terry Jones presented a letter from Jeff Russell requesting a refund of \$500 filing fee for petition of a back error in

1995, which they discovered when they applied for another building, and request the set back requirement be

corrected as they have replated and received a variance. Commissioner Ostermeier moved to refund \$500 to Jeff

Russell for his filing fees. Commissioner Cleveland seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously

3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF HUMAN RESOURCES

Jerry Bowden requested approval to allow Forum Credit Union to come out on Monday

August 25 for employees

to sign up for credit union services, if they so wished. It was the consensus of the Commissioners to grant this

request for Forum Credit Union.

Jerry Bowden advised that Lesa Wagner, Planning Department, left County employment and was terminated on

June 7, and returned July 3, 2003. after less than thirty days. The Employee Handbook states an employee who

returns within 30 days can be reinstated for PERF and insurance, however, vacation days are lost and the employee

must start over. Mr. Bowden advised that Ms. Wagner had requested to be reinstated for her 1-1/2 days per month as

she had been an employee of the County for 14 years. Terry Jones advised that Ms. Wagner plans to pass the course

as an accredited Planner. Greg Steuerwald advised that this could be done on a case-by-case request. Commissioner

Ostermeier moved to restore the day and a half per month vacation for this employee. Commissioner Cleveland

seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

There was discussion of the health insurance stating that generic prescriptions are mandatory. This will be

discussed with Nyhart on renewal.

IN THE MATTER OF SHERIFF - SRI

Raphael Howard, Regional Director SRI, Inc., made a presentation for handling sheriff's sales. Auditor Nancy

Marsh advised that SRI had handled the County tax sales for several years and everyone was

pleased. Mr. Howard

presented an addendum to the County contract for the Sheriff Department. The Commissioners requested the County

Attorney to review. Commissioner Ostermeier moved to allow the Commissioners to execute the addendum with

SRI for the Sheriff. Commissioner Cleveland seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF THE BELLEVILLE CONSERVANCY

Auditor Nancy Marsh presented the semi-annual report for the Belleville Planning Grant for execution.

Commissioner Ostermeier moved to allow the President to execute the report for the Belleville Grant. Commissioner

Cleveland seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

Nancy Marsh, Auditor presented a bill for a new vehicle for the Sheriff Department. Commissioner Ostermeier

moved to continue consideration of the claim for a vehicle purchased by the Sheriff Department until next week.

Commissioner Cleveland seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

Receipt was acknowledged of a telephone call from a vender for an unpaid new mower for the Sheriff

Department. It was the consensus of the Commissioners to check further on this mower.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY HOME

Commissioner Cleveland presented a contract with National Nutritional Therapist for the County Home and

moved to have the County Attorney review and report back . Commissioner Ostermeier seconded the motion and the

motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF 150 ACRES

Receipt was acknowledged of a telephone call from Miranda Waters relative to renting the 150 acres, located on

CR 100E and US 36, to farm for 2004. It was the consensus of the Commissioners to send a letter to Matt and

Miranda Waters advising that the 150 acres will not be available to be farmed in 2004.

IN THE MATTER OF VETERANS' REPORT

Receipt was acknowledged of the July Veterans' Report from Richard Bane.

IN THE MATTER OF CONNIE JETTER

Receipt was acknowledged of a call from Connie Jetter relative to drainage problems in their area of Cardinal

Estates. It was the consensus of the Commissioners to instruct Ms. Jetter to call the Health Department on this matter

and that the Commissioners will talk with Cathy Grindstaff.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC DEFENDER REIMBURSEMENT

Auditor Nancy Marsh advised she had received a letter stating the Public Defender Reimbursement from the state

may be eliminated. It was the consensus of the Commissioners to send a copy of this letter to all the Judges and the

Council.

IN THE MATTER OF ANIMAL CONTROL

Receipt was acknowledged of a letter from the Hendricks County Humane Society with some suggestions for the

proposed new animal shelter. It was the consensus of the Commissioners for John Ayers to

check with the contractor

on the costs of these changes.

IN THE MATTER OF TAXES

Auditor Nancy Marsh advised that there will be a provisional tax billing this fall with taxes due November 10 for

70% of 2001 property taxes and 50% personal taxes with a later billing of the balance plus the additional 2002. In

2004 property taxes will resume on the May 10 and November 10 deadline.

Commissioner Ostermeier moved to recess the meeting at 11:50 AM. Commissioner Cleveland seconded the

motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

Linda Palmer-Ryser, President

Steven L. Ostermeier, Vice

President

Sonya R. Cleveland, Member

ATTEST: _____
Judith Wyeth, Deputy Auditor
