

December 5, 2006

The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:30 AM on Tuesday, December 5, 2006, 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:

Phyllis A. Palmer)	
Ed Schrier)	Hendricks County Board of Commissioners
David A. Whicker)	
Gregory E. Steuerwald		Hendricks County Attorney
Amy Roberts		Hendricks County Treasurer
John Ayers		Hendricks County Engineer
Michael E. Graham		Administrator to County Commissioners
Judith Wyeth		Secretary to the Commissioners

Commissioner Whicker opened the meeting and led the Pledge to the Flag in unison. Greg Steuerwald gave a brief prayer for those who wished to participate.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES

Commissioner Schrier moved to approve the minutes of November 28, 2006, as corrected. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Palmer moved to approve claims #162306 thru 162715 as presented. Commissioner Schrier seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CHRISTMAS

Commissioner Whicker referred to the minutes of the November 14, 2006 meeting regarding the 2006 employee Christmas luncheon and stated that decision was in conflict with the minutes of the Commissioners' June 15, 2005 meeting and Commissioners' memo of January 18, 2000, which adopted the procedure for holiday closing for the remainder of the day following the employee Christmas luncheon. Commissioner Schrier moved to rescind the action of the Commissioners on November 24, 2006, due to previous action taken June 14, 2005, regarding the 2006 employee Christmas luncheon. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF HUMAN RESOURCES

There was discussion of the Employee Policy Manual. It was the consensus of the Commissioners to meet with Ron Love, Human Resources Director, and to move the Employee Policy Manual to a higher priority on his work list.

IN THE MATTER OF EXIT 59

Commissioner Schrier stated they are finalizing the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for I-70 and SR 39 – Exit 59 and working on the various exhibits.

IN THE MATTER OF WAGE DETERMINATION COMMITTEE – PLAINFIELD SCHOOLS

Receipt was acknowledged of the November 14 request from Jud Wolfe, Assistant Superintendent Plainfield School Corporation, requesting an appointment to the Wage Determination Committee for the Plainfield School Corporation. Commissioner Palmer submitted the names of Bryan Halfaker and Mike Isaacs. Commissioner Palmer moved to appoint Bryan Halfaker to serve on the Wage Determination Committee for the Plainfield School Corporation and if he cannot serve to appoint Mike Isaacs to serve on this committee. Commissioner Schrier seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Dr. David Hadley, Health Officer, reported on a meeting to be held on Thursday, December 7, 2006 with Dr.

Helen Scheibner of the Indiana Health Foundation, regarding a proposal for local health departments to accept and treat Medicaid patients and expressed his opposition to this program. Dr. Hadley advised this could end up being an unfunded mandate which would cost our local taxpayers. He also stated the paperwork is extremely time consuming and that it is difficult to receive reimbursement, which would lead to additional costs to local taxpayers. Dr. Hadley stated that Monica Smith, Nursing Director, will be attending this meeting and requested a Commissioner to also attend and express the County’s opposition to this program. Commissioner Palmer moved to provide a letter in opposition to the proposal that local health departments treat Medicaid patients. Commissioner Schrier seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF NACO PRESCRIPTION CARD

Amy Roberts advised the contract for the National Association of Counties (NACO) discount prescription cards had been submitted and presented a printed handout that will be available at several locations around Hendricks County where citizens can pick up these cards. Ms. Roberts also advised that the Association of Indiana Counties (AIC) will do a news release around the first of the year to make all citizens aware of this discount prescription card.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMUNITY BUILDING

Mike Graham provided a list of several possible County uses for the Community Building and recommended that outside activities requesting use of this building should be referred to the 4-H Fairgrounds and Conference Complex.

IN THE MATTER OF INDIANA COMMERCE CONNECTOR

Mike Graham reported on the discussion at the Association of Indiana County Commissioners (AICC) Conference of the Governor’s proposed bypass, Indiana Commerce Connector. He stated that Betsy Burdick, the Governor’s Director of Cabinet and Agency Affairs, met with representatives of Counties that would be impacted by the proposed bypass and stated the project is not a “done deal” and that Governor Mitch Daniels wants to hear from the communities along the proposed corridor.

IUN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY TRUCKS

Mike Graham reported the Highway Department has been looking at a strategy to buy new trucks for the fleet as there has been an inconsistent maintenance program for the trucks and the trucks have become a real challenge to maintain. Mr. Graham requested to meet with Martin Summers, Highway Superintendent, and his staff to put together a proposal for replacing the Highway truck fleet. It was the consensus of the Commissioners for Mike Graham to work with the Highway Department on their fleet. It was suggested that a rotation program be instituted so that in the future the County wasn’t faced with this same problem of needing to replace several or all at the same time.

IN THE MATTER OF ANIMAL CONTROL

Mike Graham explained a telephone call from Mary Anne Lewis, Chief Animal Control Officer, advising that the transmission had gone out in her 4-wheel drive vehicle, which has over 100,000 miles. It was the consensus of the Commissioners for Mike Graham to check the transmission replacement cost and the value of the vehicle and to check if there are other vehicles in the County that could be transferred to Animal Control.

IN THE MATTER OF SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT

Receipt was acknowledged of the retirement party for Captain Dan Williams, Sheriff’s Department, on December 19 at the Plainfield FOP. There was discussion that Mr. Williams was in his 30th year of service with Hendricks

County. It was the consensus of the Commissioners to order the 30-year award, a jacket, for Danny Williams and to present the jacket to him at his retirement party.

IN THE MATTER OF RONALD REAGAN PARKWAY

John Ayers reported on a meeting with representatives from the State, Town of Plainfield and the contractor on opening the new portion of the Ronald Reagan Parkway in the Plainfield area and stated the contractor’s proposal for the changes necessary to open the road early would cost an additional \$93,000. Mr. Ayers stated he felt this estimate was too expensive and requested the Commissioners to meet with INDOT to discuss this issue. Commissioner Palmer volunteered to attend the meeting on behalf of the Commissioners.

John Ayers advised that signage at I-70 and Ronald Reagan Parkway is at least 1 ½ year away and stated he has contacted the INDOT Greenfield District for consideration of temporary signs.

John Ayers presented a draft letter from Kenny Franklin, INDOT Project Manager, relative to the Hession property, located at the proposed interchange at I-74 and Ronald Reagan Parkway, regarding access to the Ronald Reagan Parkway in three areas and the conditions thereof. Commissioner Schrier moved to acknowledge the letter, authorize the President to sign and to move forward on this project. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF BRIDGE NO. 274

John Ayers advised that Weddle Brothers had been awarded the contract for Bridge No. 274, located on Cartersburg Road over the CSX railroad tracks, and explained the bridge is 80% Federally funded. INDOT has presented an invoice for the County’s share of the cost, to be paid out of Cumulative Bridge funds.

IN THE MATTER OF CR 600N – 56TH STREET

John Ayers stated he had talked with Greg Guerrettaz, Financial Solutions Group, for consideration of a bond for 56th Street to Raceway Road.

Greg Steuerwald explained he was trying to work with the Mormon Church to resolve issues with the right-of-way on 56th Street

IN THE MATTER OF TOWNSHIP LINE ROAD – BRIDGES

John Ayers acknowledged receipt of a letter from the Town of Plainfield regarding replacement of two bridges on Township Line Road. Mr. Ayers stated he will look at these bridges and bring back a recommendation.

IN THE MATTER OF DANVILLE PROPERTIES - LEASE

John Ayers reported on discussions with the Town of Danville regarding the possible lease of the bank building on the square. There was discussion of the length of time for this lease. It was the consensus of the Commissioners to extend this lease beyond the one year renewal to seven years. The Town is going to send a proposed lease agreement for review.

IN THE MATTER OF WORK RELEASE & ANIMAL SHELTER TELECOMMUNICATIONS

John Ayers presented a Telecommunications Proposal for the Work Release Center and Animal Shelter from Paul Johnson Assonates to extend fiber optic to the proposed buildings. Mr. Ayers stated this proposal is in two parts: Part 1, for fiber network extension to the buildings; and Part 2, to intra building infrastructure, and recommended adoption of this proposal. Commissioner Schrier moved to approve the Telecommunications Proposal from Paul

Johnson Associates to extend fiber optic to the proposed work release center and animal shelter, as presented.

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

IN THE MATTER OF COURTHOUSE

John Ayers reported on the power outage last Friday at the Courthouse and stated this had created some problems with the boiler at the Courthouse and that they are working to repair this boiler. Commissioner Whicker advised that he received a call from Clerk Cindy Spence on Friday afternoon stating they had been without power at the Courthouse all day and he had officially closed the Courthouse at 2:00 PM on Friday, December 1.

IN THE MATTER OF CORRESPONDENCE AND CALENDAR

Commissioner Whicker acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence and calendar:

- 1. Swearing in Ceremony, Hendricks County Elected Officials, Monday, January 1, 2007, 10:00 a.m., Circuit Courtroom, Hendricks County Courthouse, 3rd floor, Danville, IN. The Honorable Jeffery V. Boles will administer the oaths. Refreshments will be served following the ceremony.
- 2. Letter from Town of Plainfield regarding bridges Number 242 and 243 and the need for improvement of these structures. The Plainfield Town Council is requesting a joint work-session with the County Commissioners to discuss a proposal.
- 3. Letter from Daniel, R. Meador, Vice President, ProLogis regarding opening the Ronald Reagan Parkway.
- 4. Invitation from AT&T to a luncheon on Wednesday, December 14, 2006, Noon to 1:00 p.m. at Prestwick Country Club for the purpose of updating communication issues.

Action needed/taken on the following:

- 1. Checks received and signed to the county: None
- 2. Whicker signed vehicle titles for the following: None
- 3. Documents needing action:
 - a. The Cincinnati Companies bonded the following individuals:
 - 1. David D. Galloway \$50,000 January 1, 2007 Sheriff
 - 2. Paul T. Hardin \$14,275 January 1, 2007 Recorder
 - 3. James E. Bryan \$14,275 January 1, 2007 Chief Deputy Prosecutor

IN THE MATTER OF TORT CLAIMS

Receipt was acknowledged of a Tort Claim from Roscoe Stovall, Jr. on behalf of Diana and Damon Turpen for incident of July 1, 2006. The original has been delivered to Rich Jensen.

Receipt was acknowledged of a Tort Claim from Nunn Law Office on behalf of Carey L. Short for incident of September 12, 2006. The original has been delivered to Rich Jensen.

IN THE MATTER OF AUDITOR

Commissioner Schrier announced that Auditor Nancy L. Marsh had received the Auditor’s Award at the Indiana Association of County Commissioners (IACC) Conference in Indianapolis last week and commended Nancy Marsh for her dedicated service to Hendricks County.

IN THE MATTER OF RIETH RILEY

Greg Steuerwald explained the Boone County Judge’s ruling on the Rieth Riley Construction case and requested authorization to file an appeal with the Appellate Court for the Reith Riley case. Commissioner Palmer moved to have Greg Steuerwald file a Request for Stay with the Appellate Court for the Rieth Riley Construction case. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved 2-1-0 with Commissioners Palmer and Whicker voting aye and Commissioner Schrier voting nay.

Commissioner Palmer moved to adjourn the Commissioners’ meeting at 11:20 AM. Commissioner Schrier seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF TECH BOARD

Commissioner Whicker opened the Tech Board at 11:25 AM.

The Commissioners met in the Computer Room with John Parsons, Systems Administrator, and Tony Terrell, Quest, for a demonstration of the Bookeye record preservation program for the Commissioners’ minute books and the Hendricks County ordinances.

Commissioner Palmer moved to adjourn the Tech Board at 11:45 AM. Commissioner Schrier seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

David A. Whicker, President

Phyllis A. Palmer, Vice President

Ed Schrier, Member

ATTEST: _____
Judith Wyeth, Deputy Auditor

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