

January 2, 2001

The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, January 2, 2001, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room on the first floor of the Hendricks County Government Center with the following in attendance:

Steven L. Ostermeier)	
Linda Palmer)	Hendricks County Board of Commissioners
John D. Clampitt)	
Gregory E. Steuerwald		Hendricks County Attorney
Nancy Marsh		Hendricks County Auditor
Amy Roberts		Hendricks County Treasurer
Russ Lawson		Hendricks County Highway Superintendent
John Tarantino		Hendricks County Engineer
Walt Reeder		Hendricks County Plan Commission Director
Judith Wyeth		Secretary to the Commissioners

ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2001 AND AGENDA

Commissioner Clampitt opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag and a prayer by Walt Reeder.

Commissioner Clampitt opened the nominations for 2001 officers for the Hendricks County Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Palmer nominated Steve Ostermeier as President of the Hendricks County Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Clampitt seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

Commissioner Clampitt nominated Linda Palmer as Vice President of the Hendricks County Commissioners. Commissioner Ostermeier seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

Commissioner Clampitt will serve as a member.

Commissioner Ostermeier presided over the meeting.

There was discussion of the agenda and of a request from Bill Corbitt, Center Township Trustee, relative to employee insurance. Commissioner Clampitt moved to adopt the agenda with the addition of “Wishes” for Bill Corbitt. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPUTY

County Auditor Nancy Marsh deputized Judy Wyeth to take the minutes of the Commissioners’ meetings.

IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY

Russ Lawson reported that the Highway crew is still pushing snow and repairing mailboxes that they damaged when pushing snow.

IN THE MATTER OF ENGINEERING - CUM CAP

John Tarantino presented a draft letter to the County Council for additional appropriations for cumulative capital account #20-202-401 (Highway Right-of-Way Acquisition) in the amount of \$450,000 for North/South Corridor – US 40 to CR 450S, North/South Corridor-CR 100N to CR 200N; Bridges #213, #167, #273 and miscellaneous road projects where right-of-way is needed. Commissioner Clampitt moved to allow the letter to be sent to the County Council for request of \$450,000 additional approval of the right-of-way and bridges as stated in the letter.

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

IN THE MATTER OF EDIT

John Tarantino presented a draft letter to the County Council requesting a reduction in appropriation for EDIT Account #88-000-324 for North/South Corridor-US 40 to CR 600S requesting that this line item be reduced by \$54,434 leaving a balance of \$184,265 as this reduction reflects payments made from this line item since the budget request was made. Commissioner Clampitt moved to allow the letter to be sent for reduction of amount as stated by the County Engineer. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY ROAD 600 NORTH

Dave Quandt of Quandt Engineering presented an agreement between Hendricks County and Quandt Engineering with Quandt as the prime consultant for CR 600N and with Parsons Cunningham and Shartle as subcontractor. John Tarantino requested that the contract be executed with the contingency to present to the County Council in February for additional funding for either this portion of the contract or for the full amount of the project. There was discussion with the two Council members present, Hursel Disney and Paul Hardin, both stating that they would rather have the request for the entire amount rather than have request for additional later in the year. Commissioner Clampitt moved to approve and execute the contract with the full amount requested from the County Council and that this contract be signed as presented with changes of the signature names on the signature page for the two new Commissioners. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

John Tarantino presented a draft letter to the County Council for an additional appropriation from EDIT Account #88-084-328 in the amount of \$1,025,000 for the CR 600 North project as presented. Commissioner Clampitt moved

to approve the letter and request as presented. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0

IN THE MATTER OF SUBDIVISION BOND REVISION -
LINDEN SQUARE 5 AND BRIDGEWATER, SECTION 3

Walt Reeder presented a request to revise the original performance bond amount from \$100,000 to \$57,000 for Linden Square, Phase 5, due to the water lines being installed and maintained by the Indianapolis Water Company and the sanitary sewer lines being installed and maintained by Aqua Source and based on an on-site inspection that indicates that the work has been completed to date, recommends that the performance bond be reduced to an amount of \$20,500. Commissioner Clampitt moved to approve subject to review by the Planning Department to revise and reduce the performance bond for Linden Square 5 as presented. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

Walt Reeder presented a request to revise the original performance bond amount from \$232,500 to \$134,50 for Bridgewater, Section 3, due to the water lines being installed and maintained by the Indianapolis Water Company and the sanitary sewer lines being installed and maintained by White Lick Sewer, Inc. and based on the on-site inspection that the work has been completed to date to reduce the performance bond to an amount of \$86,000. Commissioner Clampitt moved to approve Bridgewater, Section 3, subject to review and recommendation of the Planning Department. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CONTRACTOR’S COMPLETION – PRESTWICK STORAGE

Walt Reeder presented Contractor’s Completion Affidavit and Inspector’s Certificate of Completion and Compliance for Self Storage Building at Prestwick at the Crossing for Developer Forefront, Inc. and Contractor Site & Sewer Contractors and recommended to accept the improvements for this project. Commissioner Clampitt moved to approve the Contractor’s Completion Affidavit for Self Storage Building at Prestwick at the Crossing as recommended by the County Planning Department. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0

IN THE MATTER OF BOND

John Tarantino presented an affidavit from American Hotel Register for a coat rack in Healthy Families in the amount of \$35.89 to be paid from the bond. Commissioner Clampitt moved, per staff recommendation, to approve and send for payment from the bond of the Building Corporation. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

John Tarantino presented an affidavit from Office Works, Inc. in the amount of \$580.36 for furniture for the offices of the surveyor and human resource. Commissioner Clampitt moved, per staff recommendation, to approve this affidavit as the bond trustees did not refuse it and to forward for payment from the bond. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

There was discussion of revised bond expenditures and Councilman Hursel Disney suggested that all departments

list furniture requests and that they be included in their 2002 budget.

IN THE MATTER OF SPECIAL PROJECTS

John Tarantino reported that the Highway Department has been cleaning County roads and ditches and had picked up several tires and are now requesting that they be reimbursed from special projects. Commissioner Clappitt explained that there was a line item for tire removal under special projects in the West Central Solid Waste budget. Commissioner Clappitt moved to send the bill to West Central to pay from the special projects tire line in order to reimburse the County Highway Department. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF FURNITURE – COURTHOUSE AND ANNEX

John Tarantino reported that Superior 1 Judge Freese requested that a desk be removed from his office and that the security officer at the Courthouse had requested a desk outside the security office in the rotunda to replace a table that are currently using. There was further discussion if a desk would look appropriate in the Courthouse rotunda. Commissioner Clappitt moved that the Commissioners look at this matter and report back at the next meeting. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

There was discussion of items stored at the Annex including building records and equipment. Rich Jensen, insurance agent, reported that all items stored at the Annex are insured under contents.

IN THE MATTER OF BUILDING REMODELING #405

John Tarantino presented a list of estimates and remodeling plans for county buildings. Commissioner Clappitt moved to allow two weeks for the Commissioners to review this list and to make recommendation at the third meeting this month, January 16. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF RECORD PRESERVATION

John Tarantino presented letter of November 6, 2000, along with budget estimates for a record preservation department and explained the options for preservation of county records to do the work ourselves, to hire outside source or to do nothing. Commissioner Clappitt moved to table the record preservation request, to review and bring back at the January 16, 2001 meeting and make a judgment at that time. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously. Dan Derrick inquired if high school students and the school equipment could be used for this project and offered to work with the Engineering Department.

IN THE MATTER OF CONTRACTOR’S CERTIFICATE OF LISTING

Walt Reeder explained the process for the Contractor’s Certificate of Listing stating that the certificates need to be signed by the Commissioners and if they would like to sign each certificate individually or to sign a certificate form and then have them printed. Mr. Reeder further advised that these certificates are for one year, therefore, need to be signed annually. Commission Clappitt moved to sign a certificate and have them printed as requested by the

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

IN THE MATTER OF FURNITUE - GOVERNMENT CENTER

There was discussion of five red upholstered chairs that are missing from meeting rooms 4 & 5 in the Government Center. The custodians are checking to see if these have been moved to individual offices and will report back.

The meeting recessed for lunch to resume at 1:00 PM

IN THE MATTER OF INVESTMENTS

Amy Roberts, County Treasurer, presented the Hendricks County Investment Policy which was adopted by the Hendricks County Board of Finance January 1996, for review and consideration. Ms. Roberts also requested to hold the annual Finance Board Meeting on January 22, 2001 at 8:00 AM. It was consensus of the Commissioners to hold the Finance Board Meeting on January 22, 2001, at 8:00 AM in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENTS 2001

The following 2001 appointments were made by the Commissioners:

- Personnel Committee – All three Commissioners will serve on the Personnel Committee.
- West Central Solid Waste – All three Commissioners will serve on the West Central Solid Waste Board
- County Home – All three Commissioners will serve on the County Home Board. The Commissioners requested Greg Steuerwald to research the matter for number of Commissioners required to serve County Home.
- Plan Commission – Commissioner Clampitt moved to appoint Steve Ostermeier to represent the Commissioners on the Plan Commission. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.
- Tourism – Commissioner Palmer moved to appoint J. D. Clampitt to represent the Commissioners on the Tourism Commission - Commissioner Ostermeier seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.
- 4-H Fair - Commissioner Clampitt moved to appoint Steve Ostermeier as the Commissioner representative on the 4-H Fair Board. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.
- Animal Shelter – Commissioner Palmer moved to appoint J. D. Clampitt to represent the Commissioners at the Animal Shelter. Commissioner Ostermeier seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.
- Cablevision – All three Commissioners will serve on the Cablevision Board.
- Senior Services – Commissioner Palmer moved to appoint J. D. Clampitt to represent the Commissioners on the Senior Services Board. Commissioner Ostermeier seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.
- Economic Development – Commissioner Ostermeier moved to appoint Linda Palmer to represent the Commissioners on the Economic Development Board. Commissioner Clampitt seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0
- Job Evaluation Committee – Commissioner Palmer moved to appoint J. D. Clampitt to represent the

Commissioners on the Job Evaluation Committee. Commissioner Ostermeier seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0

Plan Commission Appointment - There was discussion to talk with the Commissioners past appointee to the Plan Commission, JoAnn Groves to see if she was interested in serving another four-year term.

Technology Board - There was discussion of forming a Technology Board. Dan Derrick offered to help set up a technology/computer board. It was consensus of the Commissioners to set up a meeting on Friday, January 19, 2001 at 9:00 AM to discuss the formation of a Technology Board in the county.

Walt Reeder advised that there is a Metropolitan Planning Organization which has a Technical Committee and a Policy Committee and that the County Engineer has served on the Technical Committee and the County Plan Director has served on the Policy Committee. Commissioner Clampitt moved to appoint the County Engineer to the Technical Committee and the Planning Director to the Policy Committee for the Metropolitan Planning Organization. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0

Plan Commission Director – Commissioner Ostermeier moved to change the appointment of the Director of Planning from annual to a six-month appointment, therefore, changing the annual appointment of Walt Reeder made at the December 26, 2000, meeting, stating that there is need for a change in leadership, and to appoint Mr. Reeder for six months ending June 30, 2001, and to seek a recommendation from the Plan Commission for an appointment of a new Plan Commission Director. Councilman Disney explained that all appointees serve at the will and pleasure of the Commissioners. There was discussion of finding people to serve in these positions that are suitable in these capacities and that state statute states that the Plan Commission can search for a replacement and to work with the Commissioners on this position. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved 2-1-0 with Commissioners Ostermeier and Palmer voting aye and Commissioner Clampitt voting nay stating there was no cause stated for this change.

County Engineer – Commissioner Ostermeier stated that it was time for Hendricks County to begin looking for a County Engineer with more experience and to change the appointment of the County Engineer made at the December 26, 2000, to a six-month appointment to end June 30, 2001. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved 2-1-0 with Commissioners Ostermeier and Palmer voting aye and Commissioner Clampitt voting nay as it felt it was not fair to the individual.

Commissioner Palmer made motion to advertise for the position of County Engineer for Hendricks County, working together with the Human Resource Director. Commissioner Ostermeier seconded the motion and the motion was approved 2-1-0 with Commissioners Ostermeier and Palmer voting aye and Commissioner Clampitt voting nay.

IN THE MATTER OF PLAINFIELD FOOTBALL PROCLAMATION

Commissioner Clampitt moved to have proclamation certificates for the Plainfield football team. Commissioner

Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0 There was discussion that this was for the 2000 football team and which names should be on the certificates. It was the consensus of the Commissioners to add the two previous Commissioners along with the current Commissioners, and that all five Commissioners names be on the proclamation and to set up a presentation date.

IN THE MATTER OF MEETINGS

There was discussion of holding one evening Commissioner meeting per month and of a date and time. Commissioner Ostermeier made a motion to hold one evening meeting each month, on the fourth Monday of the month at 6:30 PM. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved 2-1-0 with Commissioners Ostermeier and Palmer voting aye and Commissioner Clampitt voting nay.

Dan Derrick requested materials for each meeting be available one week before the meeting. Greg Steuerwald stated this is why the agenda is posted forty-eight hours before each meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF TOWN HALL FORUMS

Commissioner Ostermeier moved to hold a town hall forum at different locations around the county to listen to citizen comments and to hold the first town hall forum at Plainfield at a time and date to be announced later with four forums held each year. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0

IN THE MATTER OF STATE OF THE COUNTY ADDRESS

Commissioner Ostermeier made a motion for an annual State of the County address to be held on April 7, 2001, at 7:00 PM to be made by the President of the Hendricks County Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0. There was discussion of having the podium and a public address system available for this address.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM

There was discussion of a public address system in the Commissioners’ meeting room and that consideration be given to recording all meetings to keep for future records. Greg Steuerwald stated that the official documents of the Commissioners Meetings are the written minutes. Commissioner Palmer requested to look into installing a sound system to record meetings to use only to assist in getting the minutes in written form and that recordings would not be the official recorded minutes. Commissioner Ostermeier seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0

IN THE MATTER OF CENTER TOWNSHIP – HEALTH INSURANCE

Bill Corbitt, Center Township Trustee, came forward as a ‘Wishes To Be Heard” to request an Interlocal agreement between Hendricks County and Center Township for a health plan to benefit Center Township employees and that the Town attorney Greg Black and County Attorney Greg Steuerwald to work together to set up an Interlocal Agreement for Plan B. There was discussion of other Interlocal agreements. Commissioner Clampitt moved to allow the attorneys to work on an Interlocal Agreement. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0. There was discussion of also offering an Interlocal agreement for Plan A

IN THE MATTER OF COMPERHENSIVE PLAN

Councilman Hursel Disney discussed the Comprehensive Plan that was approved in 1998. Walt Reeder stated that the new zoning ordinance will soon be completed and will cover several zoning issues and concerns. Mary Benson stated the Steering Committee is in the final process and invited everyone to their January 18, 2001 meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN

The Hendricks County Republican Women requested to place signs in county buildings inviting new members. It as consensus of the Commissioners to allow these signs be posted.

IN THE MATTER OF VETERANS’ AFFAIRS

Receipt was acknowledged of the December 2000 monthly report and of the 2000 annual Veteran’s Report as presented by Veteran’s Administrator Richard Bane.

Commissioner Clampitt moved to recess at 2:25 PM. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

Steven L. Ostermeier

Linda Palmer

ATTEST:_____
Judith Wyeth, Secretary

John D. Clampitt

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