

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's Minutes

May 30, 2017

Commissioners met in regular session. Those present were Board of Commissioners President Brad Armstrong, Vice President Commissioner Marc Huber, and Commissioner John Jessup.

Auditor Robin D. Lowder was also present.

Hancock County Board of Commissioner's meeting began at 8:40 a.m.

Attorney Ray Richardson arrived at 8:40 a.m.

Highway Department

County Engineer Gary Pool appeared before the Hancock County Board of Commissioners to discuss:

Signatures - Engineer Gary Pool requested signatures for a Tax Exempt Certificate for the purchase of a triaxle Palmer Truck so the County will not pay sales tax. Commissioner Huber made a motion to sign the Tax Exempt Certificate to relieve the County from paying sales tax for the purchase of the triaxle Palmer Truck. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Bridge 16 Inspection- Engineer Pool requested signing of a contract with WSP USA for inspection of Bridge 16 in the amount of \$46,274.00 for a not to exceed. Commissioner Huber made a motion to sign a contract with WSP USA for inspection of Bridge 16 in the amount of \$46,274.00 for a not to exceed. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

300N/400E- Intersection- Home owners concerned about a vehicles hitting their house. Last time the car came to rest within a few feet. Tree stump is there but no longer strong enough to stop vehicles. Commissioners agreed to have highway put a guard rail on North and West side about 15 to 20 feet each way. Pool recommended removing the cement on top of tree stump and let the Highway know if needed more fortification. Home owner Penney Hunt was present.

National Coalition against Larger Trucks- They got in touch but Mr. Pool didn't think there needed to be a discussion with them unless a specific issue comes up.

INDOT Road Inventory- Our MVH doesn't correlate with INDOT's figures. Highway is working on it.

Monroe Custom Body- Mr. Pool is meeting with Monroe Custom Body on June 5th.

Guardrail at 400E/300S- Yard Options/installed-June.

School Zone Flashers- Installed soon/Following schools/Sugar Creek, Doe Creek, Zion Lutheran and Mt Comfort Elementary.

Bridge 105- Bridge 105 is complete.

Portion of Old State Road 67

Bill Stuart came before the Commissioners explaining he wished to vacate a portion of Old State Road 67 next to his property. After a discussion Commissioner Huber made a motion the Hancock County Commissioners have no ownership or interest in the Stuart property or any rights to Old State Road 67. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Grange Insurance

Grange Insurance- Todd Thalls from PCE is our current provider for Grange Insurance. Grange wants to do a catch up meeting for new employees since 2007 and offer them coverage. Commissioner Huber made a motion to allow Grange insurance to come in and do a catch up meeting for the newer employees. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Sheriff Out of State Travel

Major Burkhart submitted an out of State Travel permission and expense form to the Commissioners. Commissioner Huber made a motion to allow Sargent Bridget Foy to travel out of state for Crises Intervention Team training in Florida in the amount of \$1,640.00. It will be the following dates 08-14-16 to 08-18-17. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Jail Maintenance Issues

Major Burkhart informed the Commissioners the refrigeration repairs were complete.

One of the boilers is down. It will take one to two days to take it apart just to analyze and discover what is wrong with the boiler. It will also cost \$1,500 just to look at it to find out what is wrong. There will be repair costs on top of that. He will let them know the cost of repairs if it can be repaired.

Amateur Radio Operators Proclamation

John Reeves President of the Amateur Radio Operators presented the Commissioners with the Amateur Radio Operators Proclamation. The Proclamation was read into the Hancock County Board of Commissioners record. The Proclamation declares Amateur Radio Operators week will run from June 19th to June 25th. They use this time to teach new people and test equipment. They can function when there is an emergency and many forms of communication are not functioning. Commissioner Armstrong made a motion to adopt the Amateur Radio Operators Proclamation. Commissioner Huber seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Claims and Payroll

Commissioner Jessup made a motion to approve claims and payroll as presented. Commissioner Huber seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Commissioner's Minutes

Commissioner Huber made a motion to approve the Commissioner's Minutes for May 16, 2017. Commissioner Jessup seconded to motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Animal Ordinance

The Commissioners discussed the Animal Ordinance brought before them. They decided to make some changes in the penalty section and requested County Attorney Ray Richardson make the requested changes. These changes in the Animal Ordinance are to be brought before the Commissioners at the next Commissioner's meeting.

PDF Mechanical LLC/Repair Request

Commissioner Huber made a motion to accept the Quote from PDF Mechanical LLC to repair a pump for the water treatment system for the cooling tower. There is to be a not to exceed of \$927.50. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Bond Acceptance

Commissioner Huber made a motion to accept a Bond for an 8 inch drainage tile for Eric Brumley 6795 W Stansbury Blvd. McCordville IN 46055. This is in the amount of \$2,760.00. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

Condon Fire & Safety/Fire Extinguisher Inspection

Condon Fire & Safety submitted a quote to the Commissioners for the Fire Extinguisher Inspection for six county buildings. Commissioner Huber made a motion to accept the quote to have Condon Fire & Safety inspect the fire extinguishers on an annual basis for the following county buildings for a not to exceed of \$1,128.90. The Courthouse, the Courthouse Annex, Prosecutor's Office, Memorial Building, Purdue County Extension and the County Highway. This is to be paid from the Commissioners Building and Maintenance Fund. Commissioner Jessup seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0.

The Hancock County Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner Brad Armstrong, President

Commissioner Marc Huber, Vice President

Commissioner John Jessup

Attest: _____

Robin D. Lowder
Hancock County Auditor