

**REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA
MARCH 1, 2001**

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on March 1, 2001 in Room 308, City-County Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Present at the meeting were County Commissioners Dennis Hill, Raymond Parker and David Lewis, Secretary/Administrative Assistant Pam Smith, County Attorney Scott Lewis, County Auditor Barbara Haas, and Deputy Auditor Theresa James. All references to "Commissioner Lewis" refer to David Lewis. All references to "Mr. Lewis" refer to Scott Lewis. Commission Lewis and Mr. Lewis are not related.

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:32 P.M. by President Dennis Hill.

Commissioner Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of February 1, 2001. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and carried 3-0.

Mr. Robert Lewis, Jeffersonville Township Assessor made a recommendation on behalf of the Township Assessing Officials to award the bid for the **general reassessment** of real property by professional appraisers to Cole, Layer and Trumble Company. Mr. Robert Lewis reported that even though Appraisal Research Corporation was the lowest bidder, the Officials do not feel confident with them because of past performance. No persons spoke to the Board on this decision. Commissioner Parker made a motion based upon the recommendation of the Township Assessing Officials to **award the bid to Cole, Layer and Trumble Company** in the amount of nine hundred forty five thousand eight hundred dollars (\$945,800.00.) Commissioner Lewis seconded the bid and it was passed unanimously.

At the request of **Mr. Richard P. Jones, County Treasurer**, Commissioner Parker made a motion to go before the County Council asking for an additional appropriation from the Cumulative Capital Development Fund for two new Lexmark #2490 receipt printers for the County Treasurer's office in the amount of four hundred ten dollars (\$410.00). Pursuant to I.C. 36-9-14.5-8(c), the Board declared that the expenditure from the Cumulative Capital Development fund is necessary, to protect the public welfare and the Board declared the existence of an emergency that demands immediate action with which, the Board declared, the public welfare would be in immediate danger. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and carried 3-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lewis to table **Planning and Zoning Resolution 4-2001 for Whispering Pines Development, LLC**. No persons spoke to the Board on this Resolution. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Lewis made a motion to concur with the Planning Commission and deny the rezoning request of **Chester Pools, Inc. under Planning and Zoning Resolution 1-**

2001. No persons spoke to the Board on this Resolution. Commissioner Parker seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Mr. Mike Meyer, Clark County Health Department, appeared before the Board along with R. Wayne Estopinal, President, The Estopinal Group, who presented the Board with a feasibility study for the new **Clark County central alarm facility.** Several lease sites at the INAAP facility were evaluated by Mr. Estopinal. The Board decided to take this under advisement. Mr. Meyer asked the Board for help in purchasing a new vehicle for the Health Department. After discussion Commissioner Parker made a motion to submit the request to the County Council from the general fund as well as the Cumulative Capital Development Fund. the motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and carried 3-0.

Ms. Melissa Ambrom, Director of Business & Development, Noah's Ark Children's Village, and **Mr. Keith Miller,** appeared before the Board with a request to close a portion of Allison Lane on June 16, 2001 for a fund-raising walk. Mr. Hyun Lee, County Engineer, expressed his concern about closing the road for this length of time. When asked for a recommendation by the Board Sheriff Becher suggested a Sheriff's escort instead of closing the road because of high volume of traffic especially on Saturday. The Commissioner's explained that they are not against the event but because of safety concerns it would be better if they chose another location.

A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to approve and sign **Supplemental Agreement Number two (2)** with Bernardin, Lochmueller & Associates, Incorporated on **Perry Crossing Road improvements.** Said agreement modifies the previous "not to exceed" total from one hundred ninety nine thousand, thirty four dollars (\$199,034.00) to two hundred thirteen thousand thirty four dollars (\$213,034.00) Commissioner Lewis seconded the motion and it was carried 3-0.

Commissioner Parker made a motion to approve a **Standard Agreement with United Protective Services, Incorporated** which includes additional hours and an increase in the rate per man hours. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and carried 3-0.

Commissioner Lewis made a motion to approve and sign **Supplemental Agreement No. 2** between the Board of Commissioners and **Clark County Casa (Court Appointed Special Advocate), Incorporated.** The funding is paid one half through grant money and the other is appropriated in the Superior Court No. One (1) budget. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed unanimously.

County Attorney Scott Lewis reported to the Board that he met with **Mr. Jack Vissing,** Board Member of **Lifespring Mental Health Services,** who provided him with an initial proposal of a Contract for mental health services. Mr. Lewis stated that he will supply the members of the Board and the Sheriff with a draft for their review. No action was taken at this time.

M. Hyun Lee, County Engineer, updated the Board on the progress at **Norwestwood Subdivision**. At the meeting of January 19, 2001, the Board authorized Mr. Lewis to investigate and proceed with all legal remedies to rectify the situation in which the subdivision was not completed as agreed in their performance agreement date August 10, 1999. According to this performance agreement work such as roads and utilities were to be completed by July 10, 2000. The agreement was secured by a letter of credit in the amount of eighty nine thousand seven hundred eighty nine dollars (\$89,789.00). Mr. Lee reported that all the utilities have been provided and the roads in section one will be paved by the end of April.

President Hill reported that there has been a request for an Ordinance to allow all terrain vehicles on County Roads. President Hill asked Mr. Lewis to investigate the guidelines and issues. Mr. Lewis will report back to the Board.

Sheriff Becher informed the Board that in the past his office has been involved in Thunder Over Louisville and it costs between five thousand (\$5,000.00) and seven thousand (\$7,000.00) of his overtime budget. Because of this it is a possibility that in the future he may require additional funding. No action was taken at this time. Sheriff Becher also informed the Board that at the meeting of March 15, 2001 he will present a contract with Sycamore Insurance for hospitalization insurance on the inmates.

Commissioner Lewis reported that he and others met with FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) and the Department of Natural Resources on February 28, 2001 concerning the flood control issues at River's Edge and Bushman's Lake and feels that they are making progress. The Attorney for Planning and Zoning is working on an evacuation plan.

County Auditor Barbara Haas informed the board that she has spoken to the Attorney who is handling the issue of the retired County employee who is very delinquent in his health insurance premium and that this should be resolved on March 2, 2001. Ms. Haas urged the Board to prepare written guidelines regarding payment of insurance premiums timely.

Ms. Haas also informed the Board that she has received a second notice from the IRS regarding the holding of a Trustee Assessor's wages for a lien. This person does not claim his wages so there isn't anything to withhold from. Ms. Haas requested that a response be sent to the IRS while Mr. Lewis, County Attorney, researches this matter.

Commissioner Parker made a motion to send a letter to The Greater Clark County School Corporation Board requesting official discussion regarding the possible purchase of the three buildings on Court Avenue. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and passed 3-0.

Commissioner Lewis asked that the two appointments to the Drainage Board not be carried over on the agenda because the money has not been budgeted at this time.

No action was taken on appointments to the Solid Waste Management District, Tri-Township Fire Protection District and Historic Hoosier Hills.

Commissioner Parker made a motion to rescind the appointment of Mr. Pat Dailey to the Redevelopment Commission because he has moved to Floyd County and to appoint Mr. William Orberson for a term beginning March 1, 2001 and expiring December 31, 2001. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lewis to appoint Mr. Steve Goode to fill the unexpired term on the Monroe Township Fire Protection District beginning March 1, 2001 and expiring the first Monday in January, 2003. The vacancy was created by the resignation of Mr. William Porter.

There being no further business to come before the Board and on a motion made by Commissioner Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Parker, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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**DENNIS HILL, PRESIDENT
RAYMOND PARKER, MEMBER
DAVID LEWIS, MEMBER**

ATTEST: BARBARA HAAS, CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR