

**REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA
MAY 9, 2002**

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on May 9, 2002 in Room 308, City-County Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

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

County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas having audited the payroll and vendor claims, found them to be in accordance with Indiana Code 5-11-10-2, and submitted them to the Board for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Lewis to approve and sign said claims as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and passed 3-0.

In the next order of business the bids for **bridge # 46** were opened by County Attorney Scott Lewis and were read as follows:

Gohman Asphalt & Construction Inc.	\$192,110.56
Wingham Paving, Inc.	\$137,777.86
R L Vuckson Excavating Inc.	\$142,023.28

County Attorney Scott Lewis stated that all the bids included the proper bid bonds. County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas presented the Board with proof of publication. A motion was made by Commissioner Lewis to take the bids under advisement and make an award at the meeting of May 23, 2002. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and passed 3-0.

The bids for **bridge # 106** were opened by County Attorney Scott Lewis and read aloud as follows:

Sedam Contracting Corp.	base	\$81,749.00
	alternative	\$86,419.00
	avg total	\$84,084.00
Temple & Temple	base	\$55,360.00
	alternative	\$57,735.00
	avg total	\$56,547.50
R L Vuckson	base	\$ 92,477.00
	alternative	\$106,047.00
	avg total	\$99,262.00

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A motion was made by Commissioner Lewis to approve and sign a **grant agreement** from the **State of Indiana's HIV Substance Abuse Program Fund** of up to forty-one thousand two-hundred fifty dollars (\$41,250.00). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and passed 3-0.

Ms. Rachel Lee, Clark County Sheriff's Office, appeared before the Board with a request for approval and President Parker's signature on the grant application for three new officers for the Clark County Sheriffs Office. A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve and authorize the signature of President Parker on said application. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and passed 3-0.

County Councilman John Uhl addressed the Board in regard to the possibility of a new **Community Corrections Facility**. The Commissioners explained that it is too soon to make a decision because they have not received the results from the study to help with this decision.

Mr. Jorge Lanz, Jacobi, Toombs and Lanz, appeared before the Board with a recommendation that the Board accept the **SOQ'S (Statements of Qualification)** from various firms interested in contracting the new jail expansion. The Commissioners will review and evaluate the proposals as soon as possible, determine if the submittals are responsive, and check for completeness. They will then rank the firms in accordance with the procedure established by the RFQ, and notify up to three firms which will be short-listed for further consideration. A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to accept these quotes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and passed 3-0.

Mr. Edward Culpepper Cooper, Insurance Planning Service Agent, appeared before the Board with the recommendation that the following language be added to and made a part of the personal policy manual:

To qualify for the above benefits you must enroll in Medicare Parts A and B (when eligible) and bear the cost of the benefit yourself.

Once you are enrolled in Medicare Parts A & B you will be eligible to receive a carve out plan through the County that will match up and coordinate with the current plan design that is in force.

The purpose of the new recommendation language is to limit the County's exposure to health care claims and potentially protect against increases in health care premiums. Mr. Cooper also recommended the following companies for the County Employee insurance:

1. Health Insurance
Partially Self-Funded Program; Match to Current Benefits

Third Party Administrator: Stewart C. Miller & Co.

Reinsurance Carrier; Union Labor Life Insurance (ULLICO)
11. Group Term Life Insurance

Companion Life
111. Voluntary Products

Supplemental Life: Companion Life

Dental: CompBenefits and Guardian

Short Term Disability: Companion Life

Mr. Cooper stated that these bids are subject to the change in the policy manual and that if someone comes back with a better price he will come back with a new recommendation so the County can get the best price. A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve the above addition to the personal policy manual. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and passed 3-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve the recommendation to choose the above companies for the County Employee's insurance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lewis and passed 3-0.

Commissioner Lewis excused himself and left the meeting at 6:37 P.M. Before leaving he expressed his desire that the upcoming request of Mr. Hazuga be approved.

Mr. Larry Hazuga appeared before the Board with a request that the County take over and maintain the roads in **Fox Run Estates**. Mr. Lee, County Engineer, reported to the Board that because the road is not completed, he cannot recommend that the road be accepted. Scott Lewis, County Attorney, advised that the Board not approve this request and recommended that Mr. Hazuga contact an attorney to advise him. President Parker explained that the Board must follow the recommendation of the County Attorney in this case.

Mr. Roy Richardson, President of the Fire Chiefs Association, addressed the Board in regard to the adoption of a fire code. A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve and sign **Commissioners Ordinance 8-2002** (Adoption of Indiana Fire Prevention Code). The motion passed 2-0. (See a copy of Ordinance 8-2002 attached.)

The Drainage Board was next on the agenda. No one from the Drainage Board appeared. The Board instructed Secretary/Administrative Assistant Pam Smith to delete this from the agenda until further notice.

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire and seconded by Commissioner Parker to table the request by the Clark County Fair Board for paving at the fairground until the meeting of May 23, 2002. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0.

Mr. Charles Day, Client Services Manager, DLZ Engineering Firm, appeared before the Board with a presentation and a request for consideration in future projects.

County Engineer Hyun Lee made a recommendation that the Board award the construction of **Bridge # 18 to R. L. Vuckson** who was the lowest bidder at one hundred eighty-eight thousand one hundred ninety-nine dollars and ninety-three cents (\$188,199.93) when the bids were opened April 25, 2002. Commissioner Haire made a motion to award the bid as recommended by Mr. Lee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire and seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve and sign the notice of intent for erosion control on the **Perry Crossing Road** project. The motion was passed 2-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to accept seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00) from the developers of **Whispering Hills Subdivision Phase #2** to be used for improvement on Salem Noble Road. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0.

County Attorney Scott Lewis informed the Board that **Lifesprings Mental Health Services** has submitted the mental health services contract to him for review and he will bring it to the meeting of May 23, 2002. Mr. Lewis stated that Sheriff Becher is looking it over at this time to make proposed changes that he thinks are necessary.

Commissioner Haire reported that **Attorney John Vissing** requested that the Board take a field trip. Ask Barbara

County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas presented the Board with the annual report of the **Common School Fund** for the record.

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to refund the seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) deposit submitted by **Municipal Equipment, Inc.** from the bid purchase of a street sweeper for the Highway Department. County Engineer Hyun Lee informed the Board that the sweeper has been delivered and gave his approval for the refund. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0.

The Board instructed Secretary/Administrative Assistant Pam Smith to contact vendors that have worked with other counties in preparing new handbooks and ask them for a price to add the new federal regulation to our existing **employee handbook**. Also the Board decided to send a questionnaire to the County Council Members and department heads for suggestions to what needs to be changed or added to the existing handbook.

County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas presented Mr. Lee, County Engineer, with the checks that were collected in her office for the sale of bridge plans on bridges #46 and #106.

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to re-appoint **Mr. Daniel Johnson** to the Cemetery Commission for a four (4) year term beginning May 4, 2002 and expiring May 3, 2006. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to table the appointment to the **Regional Water and Sewer District**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 2-0.

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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA

RAYMOND PARKER, PRESIDENT

DAVID LEWIS, MEMBER

VICKY KENT HAIRE, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY

ATTEST:

BARBARA BRATCHER HAAS
CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR