

**REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CLARK COUNTY INDIANA  
AUGUST 25, 2005**

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on August 25, 2005 in Room 308, City-County Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Present at the meeting were County Commissioners Edward Meyer, Vicky Kent Haire and Ralph Guthrie, County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas, County Attorney Daniel Moore, Secretary Angela Coleman, and Deputy Auditor Theresa James.

County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas stated that she had audited the current list of vendor claims and found that they have a properly itemized invoice or contract attached and that the proper official has affixed a signature stating that the services have been provided. A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve the vendor claims as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas stated that she had audited the payroll claims and found that they comply with the local salary ordinance established by the Clark County Council and the signature of proper officials is affixed stating that the hours have been worked and the amounts are due. A motion was made by Commissioner Guthrie to approve the payroll claims as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and passed 3-0.

In old business, Sheriff Becher returned from the last meeting as requested by the Board at the previous meeting. Commissioner Haire made a motion to table action on Sheriff Becher's request for new police cars until after the **2006 County Budget** is approved September 6, 2005. Commissioner Guthrie seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

At the recommendation of County Engineer Hyun Lee, Commissioner Haire made a motion to sign and approve **Supplemental Agreement # 2** with **Farrar, Garvey & Associates, LLC**, for engineering services for the replacement of **bridge # 34**. Mr. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to sign and approve payment of a claim to **Strand Associates Incorporated** in the amount of one thousand sixty nine dollars (\$1,069.00) for professional engineering services on the **Star Hill Road Design Project**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

**Mr. Dan Johnson, Cemetery Commission Member**, addressed the Board with a request for the Board to pass an ordinance to create a non-reverting fund for the Cemetery Commission. This fund would begin with three hundred twenty dollars and twenty one cents (\$320.21), which was donated by a private organization called the **Clark County Cemetery Preservation Committee**. The Board instructed Mr. Moore to draft an ordinance for the Board's consideration at the next meeting.

**Ms. Laura Dixon, River Hills Economic Development District**, presented the Commissioners with a claim for sixteen thousand seven hundred sixty four dollars to pay **Bernardin, Lochmuller & Associates** for construction plans of the **Turning Point Expansion Project**. These plans were needed for the Transportation Grant application. Ms. Dixon reported that these funds would be reimbursed by the **Indiana Department of Transportation Grant**. Commissioner Haire made a motion to approve and authorize payment of this claim. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

Commissioner Haire made a motion to approve and sign Commissioner's **Resolution 9-2005 (A Resolution Authorizing the Approval of the LifeSpring Renovation and Planning Grant Report to the Indiana Office of Rural Affairs and Addressing Related Matters)**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

**Joan Kemp, Lifesprings**, informed the Commissioners that **LifeSprings** was making an official withdrawal from the **CDBG grant application** for the **LifeSpring Expansion Project** for the fall round, because they were unable to acquire the match funds. Ms. Kemp stated that if they get the match funds they would return for the Board's support next year.

The monthly report for the Clerk of the Court was submitted for the record.

Commissioner Guthrie made a motion to approve and sign a letter of commitment to **Mr. George Hughes, The Hughes Group**, regarding the sewer system and infrastructure at the **Indiana Army Ammunition Plant (INAAP)**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and passed 3-0.

Mr. Moore gave the Commissioners and outline of the function of the **Water and Sewer District**.

Commissioner Haire made a motion to sign and approve a letter of Agreement to **Joni Grayson** for services as litigation co-council on behalf to the Board with respect to the juvenile debt. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

Commissioner Guthrie made a motion to appoint **Jim Spann** to the **Water and Sewer District Board** for a term beginning August, 2005 and expiring December 31, 2008. Commissioner Haire seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner Guthrie made a motion to appoint **Debbie Meyer** to the **Clark Memorial Hospital Board** for a term beginning September 1, 2005 and expiring September 1, 2007. Commissioner Haire seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner Guthrie made a motion to appoint **Sam Gardner** to the **Clark Memorial Hospital Board** for a term beginning September 1, 2005 and expiring September 1, 2007. Commissioner Haire seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

**Jim Snook, Juvenile Detention Director**, gave the **Juvenile Detention Quarterly Report** and a report on the new security system.

**Roger and Donna Prather** expressed a complaint about construction of a **bridge** on Mt. Lebanon Road. Mr. Prather questioned why the county needed to repair the bridge and why he was not notified sooner about the construction. County Engineer Hyun Lee stated that the bridge was next in line based on the results of the annual bridge inspection. Mr. Moore advised Mr. and Mrs. Prather of the process and their rights in this situation. Mr. Lee and Commissioner Guthrie agreed to meet with the homeowners to discuss the right-of-way.

**Jerry Lemmons** was next on the agenda and did not attend the meeting. A letter from Mr. Lemmons was entered for the record. The Commissioners instructed Mr. Moore to research this matter and report back to them.

Regarding the letter that Commissioner Haire gave to Auditor Haas at the meeting of August 11, 2005 for direct deposit of the **Homeland Security Funds**, County Auditor Haas informed the Board that she forwarded the letter to the County Treasurer and has not received a response. Auditor Haas explained that she was informed by the State Board Accounts that it is not within the authority of the county auditor to have a checking account and this will have to be addressed to the county Treasurer. Auditor Haas also presented a letter from the Indiana Department of Child Services stating that due to the Federal Reform Act of 1996, all states are required to provide one central address to employers for the forwarding of income withholding child support payments. At this time all Indiana child support payments are to be redirected to the Indiana State Central Collection Unit. As of May 12, 2005 **IC-31-16-15-16** is amended to allow the Department of Child Services to assess a civil penalty of twenty five dollars per obligor per pay period against income payers that are not making payments through electronic funds transfer. (See a copy of the letter attached.) Auditor Haas reported that the current orders from the Clark County Judges instruct her to cut the checks and deliver them to the County Clerk. On response to the letter, she took a cover letter and information on the orders that came out of their court to each of the Clark County Judges. Auditor Haas reiterated that she cannot debit Clark County's account because it is under the control of the county Treasurer. Commissioner Haire made a motion to establish a policy by the Board to approve electronic transfer as the State Offices require. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

For the record Commissioner President Meyer submitted a letter from **Jim Wesp, Sunnyside Healthcare Commons**, regarding a meeting August 30, 2005 at 6PM.

Commissioner Haire made a motion to adjourn until Friday 26, 2005.

**RECONVEENED MEETING  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CLARK COUNTY INDIANA  
AUGUST 26, 2005**

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana reconvened on August 26, 2005 in Room 308, City-County Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana at 5:00 PM.

Present at the meeting were **County Commissioners Edward Meyer, Vicki Kent Haire and Ralph Guthrie, County Attorney Daniel Moore, Secretary Angela Coleman and Deputy Auditor Theresa James**. Also, present at the meeting were **Regional Water and Sewer District Board of Trustees Tom Allen, David Allen and Jim Spain. Regional Water and Sewer District Board Attorney Judy Desemone** called roll of the members present at the meeting. Commissioner President Meyers called for nominees for president. Tom Allen nominated David Allen for president of the Regional Water and Sewer District Board. The nomination was seconded by Jim Spain and he was elected president. Tom Allen nominated Jim Spain for secretary. David Allen seconded the nomination and he was elected secretary of the Regional Water and Sewer District Board. Jim Spain nominated Tom Allen as Treasurer. David Allen seconded the motion and he was elected Regional Water and Sewer District Board.

The meeting was then turned over to the **Regional Water and Sewer District** and **Ms. James** was dismissed from the meeting.

To the extent the Board held an executive session of any type under (I C 5-14-1.5-6) or otherwise, the Board hereby certifies that no subject matter was discussed therein except that posted in the notice for session or meeting (I C 5-14-1.5-6.1).

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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA

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EDWARD MEYER, PRESIDENT

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VICKY KENT HAIRE, MEMBER

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RALPH GUTHRIE, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY

ATTEST:

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BARBARA BRATCHER HAAS  
CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR