

REGULAR MEETING
CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 23, 2017

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on February 23, 2017, at 5 p.m. in Room 404, Clark County Government Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners – Jack Coffman, Bryan Glover, and Connie Sellers, County Attorney Scott Lewis, Commissioners’ Assistant Allison Richey, and Auditor Monty Snelling.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bob Isgrigg and prayer was led by Jack Coffman.

Approval of the Minutes

Commissioner Glover motioned to approve February 9, 2017, Regular Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 2-0-1 with Commissioner Coffman abstaining.

Amendment to the Agenda:

Commissioner Glover motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Auditor Monty Snelling presented the claims and payroll stating that all was in order. Commissioner Glover motioned to approve the claims and payroll for March 1, 2017. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

No public comments at this time.

I. Administrative Agenda

A. Bob Isgrigg presented vacation of the Old Crone Road. This vacation of the old unused portion of the Old Crone Road is due to the intent of the Thortons building a store/service station. The James Joyce company currently uses this area to access, but it will also be purchased by Thorton’s.

This issue was not properly advertised, so there can be no action taken at this time. Commissioner Glover Motioned to table until the meeting of March 9, 2017. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion to table approved 3-0.

B. County Attorney Scott Lewis presented the Condemnation Settlement Memorandum and Resolution and explained that this must have approval by the Commissioners to settle a condemnation matter. Commissioner Glover motioned to approve the Condemnation Settlement Memorandum and allow the Commissioner, President Jack Coffman to sign. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

County Attorney Scott Lewis next presented the Resolution No. 2-2017, A Resolution Of The Board Of Commissioners Of The County Of Clark, Indiana. It is the concerning Old Salem Road Project. Commissioner Glover motioned to approve the Resolution and allow either Commissioner Coffman or, as a backup, Commissioner Sellers, to sign the documents. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

C. Matters tabled from the prior meeting:

1. Les Kavanaugh, with EMA, was not present to clarify the previously tabled documents for mutual aid through FEMA resources, sharing with Kentucky and several other counties in Indiana. There was a short discussion about this. Commissioner Sellers motioned to remove the interstate emergency mutual aid contract from the agenda until more clarification can be presented. Commissioner Glover seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

2. County Attorney Lewis addressed the Highway Garage Lease and his concern for the termination clause. The question has been settled between parties with an 180-day notice to vacate and an option to purchase. Commissioner Sellers motioned to approve the Highway Garage Lease and the updated options added. Commissioner Glover seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

D. Sheriff's Business: None

E. Auditor Report/Comment: None

F. Attorney Report/Comments: None

G. Officeholder/Department Heads Present at Meeting: None

H. Ratifications and Approvals: None

I. Commissioner Coffman opened the remaining 2017 appointments for approval:

Commissioner Sellers motioned to re-appoint **Perry Smith** (1-1-17—12-31-17) to the **River Hills board**. Commissioner Glover seconded. Motion approved 3-0. They will need one more person to be appointed.

Commissioner Glover motioned to appoint **Kevin Beatty** (1-1-17—12-31-17) to the **South Central Regional Airport Authority** for a 1-year term. Commissioner Coffman seconded. Motion approve 2-1 with Commissioner Sellers opposed. There was a discussion about the present members of the board and the term limits.

Commissioner Glover motioned to appoint **Ray Dryer** to the **Tri-Township Fire District** (term ending 1-1-2019) replacing Jerry Adams to finish out the term. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Commissioner Coffman said, "Now, the Planning Commission. Ok, This is somewhat of a moot point, but I have served on that board since 2013. It is a 4 year term. My term actually expired at the end of '16, but I have presided over the meeting in the interim as president, so we will need a motion to appoint-to reappoint Jack Coffman as the commissioner appointment to that board." Commissioner Sellers said, "Can I make a comment—" Commissioner Coffman said, "yes you may."—"per a conversation earlier today. Um, I would like to serve on that board, but I also, um, know Jack knows everything about the board. So, I asked him, because in the city, I thought this was a 1 year term. It's not, it's a 4 year term. So I ask Jack if he would be willing to serve on it this year, then allow me to serve on it next year which he agreed to do so". Commissioner Coffman said, "yes, I did". Commissioner Sellers said, "Yeah, I told him I would follow him around; he could mentor me". Commissioner Coffman said, "So, in this case, the commissioner appointment would be for 1 year". Attorney Scott Lewis said, "Technically, it's a 4 year term. You're saying you will serve on it one year and then technically resign and we'll appoint Connie". Commissioner Coffman said, "Yes, we'll do that then". Attorney Scott Lewis said, "The term, by statute, is still a 4 year term. We can't change the term " Commissioner Coffman said, "OK". Commissioner Sellers said, "It's an agreement between us".

Commissioner Coffman said, "It's an agreement. So, we need a motion to.." Commissioner Sellers said, "I'll make that motion". Commissioner Coffman said, "Motion was made by Commissioner Sellers, seconded by Commissioner Glover, to appoint **Jack Coffman** to the **Planning Commission**. All those in favor say aye." Both Commissioners said aye. "Motion carried 3-0".

Commissioner Sellers motioned to table the appointment to the **Charlestown Fire Protection District**. Commissioner Glover seconded. Motion to table approved 3-0.

Commissioner Coffman suggested some clarifications for other appointments.

II. Technical Agenda

Brian Dixon stated that we need to make a decision for the Bridge 415 on County Road 311. Mr. Dixon wants to know if the Board would like the County to move forward with the Bridge 415 project. Commissioner Sellers motioned to move forward with the project to replace Bridge 415. Commissioner Glover seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Brian Dixon next would like to proceed with the offers for the right of way acquisitions pursuant to appraisals for the Bridge 415 project. Commissioner Glover motioned to approve the County, proceeding with the offers for the right of way acquisitions for Bridge 415 project. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Brian Dixon next presented information on scheduling a meeting for a discussion about future improvements to County Road 403. First, the County needs to decide if we want this as a project. Commissioner Glover wants to know what the City of Charlestown wants to contribute. Brian Dixon plans to contact Charlestown Mayor Bob Hall. There was a discussion about the possibilities. Brian Dixon says that County Road 403 has seen an increase in traffic that will cause more deterioration to the roadway.

Brian Dixon next commented on bridge inspections. Commissioner Glover motioned to have Brian Dixon and all 3 commissioners to serve on the Bridge inspection replacement selection committee. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Brian Dixon next mentioned that we should approve of an agreement with Floyd County to replace a bridge. The cost would be for \$28,500. Commissioner Sellers motioned to approve a contract with Floyd County contingent upon review by County Attorney Scott Lewis. Commissioner Glover seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Brian Dixon next would like to replace the County Engineer vehicle. He has received some bids and the lowest is for \$32,787 for a Dodge Durango from John Jones of Salem. Commissioner Glover motioned to approve the purchase of a new vehicle for the County Engineer with the fund to be determined. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Brian Dixon next requested the board to allow an advance of \$1,000 payment for a property owner to allow entry for clearing the trees. This money would be reimbursed to the county by INDOT. Commissioner Sellers motioned to approve \$1,000 to gain access to the property for tree removal. Commissioner Glover seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

III. Public Comments:

Jim Baker commented on the replacement of Tom Galligan on the Airport Board. He stated that Mr. Galligan has proven his loyalty and hard work for the airport and removing him is wrong. Tom Galligan was the one that got everything started making the airport better than it was.

John Secor stated that Tom Galligan has made the airport all that it is now. He believes that the new appointment was political or complaint motivated. He believes the best interest of the airport would be to have Tom Galligan remain on the board.

Lisa Morris asked about the no right turn sign on S R 403.

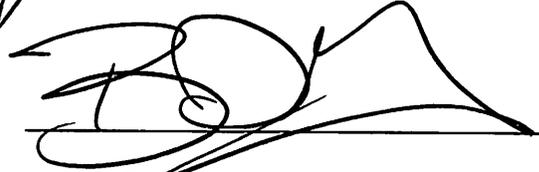
Commissioner Glover motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion to adjourn approved 3-0.

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

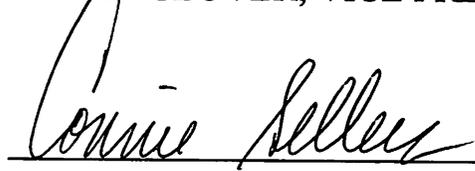
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JACK COFFMAN, PRESIDENT

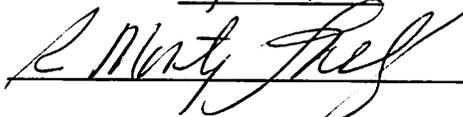


BRYAN GLOVER, VICE PRESIDENT



CONNIE SELLERS, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY 4-6-17

ATTEST: 

R. MONTY SNELLING, CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR