

REGULAR MEETING

CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

July 23, 2009

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on July 23, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 404, Clark County Government Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners – Ed Meyer, Mike Moore and Les Young, County Auditor, Keith Groth, Attorney Robert Bottorff standing in for County Attorney, Greg Fifer who arrived later, Commissioner Secretary Kristi James, and Deputy Secretary from the Auditor’s Office, Shirley Bell.

Approval of Minutes

Auditor Keith Groth presented the minutes from the July 9, 2009 meeting for approval. Les Young made the motion to approve the minutes and Mike Moore seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Amendment to the Agenda – None noted

Approval of Claims/Payroll

Auditor Keith Groth presented the monthly claims and claims for payroll with all figures reviewed and verified as correct. Les Young made the motion to approve and Mike Moore seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Public Comments – no one signed to speak

County Treasurer and County Auditor

County Treasurer Janet Hurst wanted to update the Board on the current status of our tax bills and rates. The DLGF has not approved the rates as of this date even though certified rates were submitted June 3, 2009 stated

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County Auditor Keith Groth. Mr. Groth asked if the Commissioners would send a letter to the DLGF asking for our rates. The three school corporations also plan to send letters asking for our rates to be sent down. Mike Moore made a motion to send the letter and Ed Meyer seconded the motion. The motion was approved 3-0.

Janet Hurst also gave an update on the courtesy letters sent recently by the Treasurer's office for delinquent taxes and to date approximately \$500,000 has been collected.

County Clerk Barbara Haas

Clerk Barbara Haas appeared before the Board with 39 degrees North with an amendment to the contract already in place with the County asking for a layer with the GIS system being put on in voter registration. Funding is already in place for this fee of \$48,500. Mike Moore made the motion to approve this amendment and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0. This should be completed in about 2 weeks.

Ms Haas also mentioned the Public Records Commission will have a public hearing on August 6 to discuss destroying public records. Vendors also will be there to discuss scanning and storing these records.

Maverick Insurance

John Neace representing **Maverick Insurance** presented their proposal for Property, Casualty and Worker's Compensation Renewal for 2009-10 effective August 1. A chart was passed out with comparison of three proposals and the difference between them. Their company recommends staying with the same company with the same coverage with Bliss-McKnight which also includes terrorism coverage but will cost approximately \$161,000 less than 2008-09. Ed Meyer made the motion to approve the Bliss-McKnight quote from Maverick Insurance and Les Young seconded the motion. The motion was approved 2-1 with Mike Moore opposed. First payment premium will be approximately 25% down or \$152,000. A list of contacts from this company will be given to the Board and Attorney Fifer.

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Matters Tabled – Matt Dyer has hired a new IT person but no other information was available at this time.

Sheriff's Business – None noted

Auditor's Report

Auditor Keith Groth presented the Treasurer's Report for June for the record. Mr. Groth had no other business.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Greg Fifer presented a renewed Participation Agreement authorizing medical supplies for the Jail to be purchased through Clark Memorial Hospital that needed approval from the Board. Mike Moore made the motion to approve and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 3-0.

Attorney Robert Bottorff attended the first meeting of the Clark County Hospital Association in lieu of Attorney Fifer and has the Certificates of Appointments for the five (5) members to be signed by the Board and the Auditor.

Attorney Fifer stated the Hospital Association has adopted a Resolution and publication has been sent to the Evening News setting a public hearing at the next Commissioner's Meeting August 6, 2009 at 5:00 pm regarding the proposed lease. Commissioner Mike Moore will be absent on vacation at the next August 6 meeting.

Attorney Fifer has met with Chris Broughton who was at the last meeting and had him meet with all the judges at the Courthouse. Mr. Broughton has sent a draft contract to Attorney Fifer. After discussion was held a motion was made by Ed Meyer and seconded by Mike Moore to hold off for a year and do any in-house items first. The motion was approved 3-0. Attorney Fifer will notify Mr. Broughton with this decision.

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Ratifications and Approvals

Ed Meyer presented some appointments needing approval for extension of expiration dates:

Alcoholic Beverage Commission	Luke Etheridge
Cemetery Board	Lois Mauk
Community Corrections Advisory Board	Jack Leuthart & Barb Hollis
Jeffersonville Township Public Library	Paul Gibson

Ed Meyer made the motion to accept these appointment extensions and Mike Moore seconded. The motion was approve 3-0.

Ed Meyer instructed Kristi James to write a letter to Lifesprings. Ed Meyer made a motion to extend a 30 day contract to Forensic Services Group starting August 1, 2009. Mike Moore seconded and the motion carried 3-0.

Lifespring sent a bill for 2008 which is \$93,000 and for 2009 we owe \$68,000 for a total of \$161,732 and Mike Moore suggested we offered them \$150,000. Ed said we need to go to the Council to ask for the money from Rainy Day Fund. \$116,950 is the contract amount for 2008 and 2009 but no contract has been signed for 2009. Mike Moore made the motion to offer them \$150,000 and Les Young seconded. The motion was approved 2-1 with Ed Meyer opposed.

Commissioner Les Young stated the son-in-law of Keith Coats, has a problem with Silver Glades II drainage which is owned by Bob Lynn. The Board has no jurisdiction. Mr. Lynn who was present suggested this man contact him at his cell number which Mr. Lynn provided.

Commissioner Ed Meyer for the record put a letter from the Covered Bridge Homeowners Association dated 7/11/09 wanting to form a town comprising Covered Bridge, the Willows at Covered Bridge and the Covered Bridge Golf Course (letter attached). If a petition is filed a public hearing will be held by the Board of Commissioners as required by statute.

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Ed Meyer brought up the subject of highway bills that are outstanding and he made a motion to use \$500,000 out of the Star Hill Road project and put it back in Major Moves. Les Young seconded the motion only on the condition that the money is put back into this project when needed. Discussion was held and the motion was changed to \$450,000 and Les Young seconded that motion on condition that matching funds are there when needed. Hyun Lee stated funds for the Star Hill Road project would probably not be needed for two or three years. The motion was approved 2-1 with Mike Moore opposed.

Les Young made a motion to adjourn and Ed Meyer seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

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

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA

EDWARD MEYER, PRESIDENT

MIKE MOORE, VICE-PRESIDENT

LES YOUNG, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY _____

ATTEST: _____

KEITH D. GROTH, CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR

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