

Board of Commissioners

April 7, 2009 – 8:45 am

Meeting called to order by President Rininger. Commissioners Rininger, Logsdon, Gogel, and Board Attorney Lueken were present.

Claims

After a few questions, Logsdon made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

Minutes

03/02/2009 minutes; Logsdon made a motion to approve. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

03/17/2009 minutes; Gogel made a motion to approve. Logsdon seconded. All in favor.

Highway Report

INDOT – Painter stated that he received information from INDOT regarding a state-wide salt purchase. He is checking to see if it will be beneficial.

Office Security – The highway offices have new locks and keys. The keys cannot be duplicated without permission. Discussion was had on the key policy.

Used Bucket Truck – Painter purchased a 1989 bucket truck with a 40' lift from REC for \$12,000. REC agreed to take half of the payment this year and half next year. Special training is required before use and only certified employees will use the truck.

Four Day Work Week – Discussion was had on returning to the four day work week. Painter recommended the first work week to begin April 24<sup>th</sup>. Logsdon stated that he heard from superintendents from other counties that mechanics sometimes work on Friday to maintain the vehicles and take a different day off. Painter will consider if it will be a benefit.

Courthouse Maintenance

Joe King and Bill Glenn discussed the courthouse maintenance with the commissioners. King stated that he will be leaving at the end of April. He has stayed to show Glenn the routine maintenance needs of the

courthouse which he has done every spring. King stated that he and Glenn have also put together a prioritized list of items that need to be done.

Logsdon complimented King and Glenn on the work done in the Surveyor's office.

Glenn stated that the roof will need to be seriously looked at soon.

King stated that after he left he will be happy to come back and assist Glenn when needed.

#### Mowing Bids

Lueken opened and read the mowing bids submitted as follows:

4-K Lawncare & Landscaping	Courthouse weekly in season	\$68.50
	Courthouse monthly off season	\$13.25
	Law Enforcement Ctr weekly in season	\$62.50
	Law Enforcement Ctr monthly off season	\$13.25
Affordable Mowing	Courthouse weekly in season	\$70.00
	Courthouse monthly off season	\$10.00
	Law Enforcement Ctr weekly in season	\$50.00
	Law Enforcement Ctr monthly off season	\$10.00
Robinson Landscaping & Nursery	Courthouse weekly in season	\$70.00
	Courthouse monthly off season	\$12.00
	Law Enforcement Ctr weekly in season	\$50.00
	Law Enforcement Ctr monthly off season	\$10.00

After Lueken calculated an estimated total cost for the year, he recommended the acceptance of Affordable Mowing as low bidder. Gogel made a motion to award the contract to Affordable Mowing. Logsdon seconded. All in favor.

#### Engineer Report

Stimulus Funding - Lloyd gave the commissioners the list of projects which were submitted to INDOT for stimulus funding. After calculating the projected cost of the projects, including striping and inspection, the ninth project on the prior list (phase two of CR 200) had to be dropped. Lloyd stated that any projects that are funded will be 100% funded. The list and estimates are as follows:

1. Old SR 245 – from 66 to SR 70 – \$357,140
2. Old SR 45 – from SR 161 to Rockport – \$558,766
3. Fulda Shortcut – from SR 545 to SR 62 – \$333,400
4. CR 800E – from SR 66 to SR 70 – \$184,561
5. CR 1250N / CR 1200N – from SR 231 to SR 245 – \$695,286
6. CR 200S Phase I – from SR 161 to CR 600W – \$313,023
7. CR 300E / CR 1625N – from new SR 231 to SR 162 – \$236,205
8. Huffman Mill – from SR 545 to Perry County – \$242,916

Discussion was had on how the funding will affect the CEDIT plan. Logsdon stated that he appreciated Lloyd's fast work on getting the projects submitted. Lloyd asked the commissioners to sign a letter needed by INDOT stating that no new right-of-way easements will need to be obtained for any of the proposed projects.

Training - Discussion was had on a training class which may enable Lloyd to do inspections for the county. After a call to inquire, Lloyd stated that the class is needed if the county ever wants to apply for any federal aid projects, so she will attend. She also learned of another training class which would enable her to do inspection and she will pursue it further.

#### Reassessment

Assessor Arnold stated that two bids were submitted for the 2009 reassessment, but she would like to wait until May before awarding the contract. The state legislature is considering a bill which would change from a

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full blown reassessment to a rolling reassessment. Both bidders agreed to wait until May. Arnold has received verbal approval from the DLGF to wait on signing the reassessment contract. Logsdon stated that he would like something in writing from the DLGF. Lueken said a letter is supposed to be faxed today. If the legislature votes to change to a rolling reassessment the specs will have to be redone and bids will be taken again. If it does not pass, the current bids will be used.

Logsdon made a motion to table the awarding of the contract until the May 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

#### EMPG Grant

EMA Deputy Singleton explained that the EMPG Grant, which is a salary matching grant, awarded the county \$23,771.10. The county received 50% of the salaries and 13% of the benefits paid to EMA employees.

#### Mitigation Plan

EMA Director Perdue discussed the 2009 Mitigation Plan and the changes made from the 2007 plan. Warning sirens were discussed and Perdue explained that the city, town, township or fire department which owns the warning sirens are the ones who are responsible for keeping them maintained and in working order. Gogel stated that he is glad to see how many projects have been completed. Logsdon stated that he appreciates the EMA keeping track of all of the many projects. Gogel made a motion to approve the 2009 Mitigation Plan. Logsdon seconded. All in favor.

#### Civil War Ball

GayAnn Harney, representing the Friends of Lincoln and the Pioneer Village & Museum, asked for use of the courthouse rotunda for another Civil War Ball on September 26, 2009. Logsdon made a motion to permit the use of the rotunda. Gogel seconded. All in favor. Harney also invited the commissioners to attend Pioneer Days at the Pioneer Village on Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 4 pm.

#### Lincoln Coffin Viewing

Rininger reminded that on April 14<sup>th</sup> a replica of the casket which Lincoln was buried in will be on display April 14<sup>th</sup> in the courthouse rotunda.

#### Animal Control

Gogel discussed the construction of the Animal Control building. Allen Meunier, of Quality Craft, discussed the plans for the building. Lueken stated that bids will need to be taken for the construction of the building since it will exceed \$50,000. Further discussion was had on how Animal Control will be set up, either as a county office or separate. The commissioners decided a joint meeting with the county council is needed to make sure everyone is moving in the same direction. A joint meeting will be held immediately following the commissioners' meeting and prior to the start of the council meeting on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### Johnson Control

Shelton gave the commissioners copies of the maintenance contract for the jail sent by Johnson Control. The commissioners want a representative of Johnson Control to come to the next meeting on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### Subdivision Ordinance

The commissioners discussed a change in the subdivision ordinance which was suggested by the Advisory Plan Commission. Lueken stated that he would like the wording to be changed and asked the commissioners to table the ordinance. Gogel made a motion to table the ordinance. Logsdon seconded. All in favor.

#### Vacation of Street

Lueken discussed the ordinance provided by Attorney Patmore to vacate the street and alley in McCoy's Addition to Bloomfield. Lueken stated that he did not see any problems with the ordinance. Logsdon made a motion to sign Ordinance 2009-01 vacating the street and alley. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

#### Buy Local Ordinance

Rininger discussed a "buy local" ordinance signed by the City of Evansville. He said he would like to sign one for Spencer County. Gogel stated that the county already tries to buy local whenever possible. Shelton will re-word the Evansville ordinance and send the commissioners copies for discussion at a later meeting.

Engineer Report Continued

Purchase Order – Lloyd stated that the purchase order received from INDOT for the county to receive \$400,000 for the future take-over of old SR 231 is correct and will be signed by the Treasurer.

DNR – Lloyd stated that the county received a non-compliance letter from DNR regarding the replacement of Bridge #151. Lloyd said that since she contacted DNR quickly and is working on fixing the problem DNR will not assess any penalties or fees.

Base Road Project – Lloyd stated that the original Base Road Project will be short approximately \$1 million due to price increase. She would like to re-apply for the additional \$1 million in Federal Aid, since there is a high probability of commercial projects being built in the area. Logsdon made a motion to have Lloyd apply for the additional Federal Aid. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

Santa Claus Water

Lloyd stated that at the beginning of the Santa Claus Water project in January of 2008, the project engineer was given a list of the counties requirements, which included the bonding of county roads. She has still not received bond forms from the contractors working on the project. She does not want to allow the contractors to work on CR 800E until the forms are signed. Logsdon stated that Lueken needs to write a letter to the engineer and the contractors stating that if they do not provide the required bonds then they will not be allowed on CR 800E. Lloyd said the engineer felt that the bond provided to the Town of Santa Claus would be sufficient, but there will be no way for the county to get the money from the town if the county road is destroyed because the county is not listed on the bond. Further discussion was had.

Logsdon made a motion to have Lueken write a letter to the engineer reminding them of the county requirements which they were given for installing a water line alone and across CR 800E. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

INDOT Meeting

Lloyd stated that INDOT will be holding a meeting at Rockport City Hall on Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am to discuss upcoming projects.

Logsdon made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 11:33 am.

Board of Commissioners,

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President  
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Cindy Shelton, Auditor

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