

Board of Commissioners
September 01, 2009 – 9:05 am

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

Luce Sewer

Ed Ingram reported that the LTRSD board sent out requests for bids on an updated Preliminary Engineering Report. He further stated that a few board members met with a representative from the State Revolving Fund who said that they might be able to buy down the average monthly cost to \$65 per month.

Minutes

08/04/2009 minutes; Logsdon made a motion to approve. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

08/18/2009 minutes; Gogel made a motion to approve. Logsdon seconded. All in favor.

Deputy for Plan Commission and Surveyor

Nathan Helms, Plan Commission President, recommended having Elaine Jones work full time in the Surveyor's office for now because the Plan Commission office currently is slow. He said when the economy turns around the issue might need to be looked at again. Logsdon stated that the county is fortunate to have Jones who

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is qualified to work in both offices and he appreciates how Cail, Herron and Jones have all worked together. Discussion was had on the different options.

Logsdon made a motion to have the deputy for Plan Commission office re-assigned to the Surveyor's office with the ability to help cover emergencies in the Plan Commission office. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

Adult Plaza Litigation

Logsdon made a motion to request an additional of \$25,000 from Riverboat from the council to be used for the Adult Plaza Litigation. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

Travel Policy

Shelton explained that the council requested the commissioners review the travel policy with regard to the over-night stay policy. Copies of the state travel policy were provided, along with Vanderburgh County and Perry County policies. The commissioners requested Shelton write a draft of a new policy with the following changes: specify that over-night stays are for travel 50 miles or more from the county courthouse; that there is no meal reimbursement for in-county travel; and that if air travel is required, it must be pre-approved and will be reimbursed at the coach rate.

Huffman Mill Bridge

Logsdon made a motion to reimburse the Anderson River Fund \$1,000 from the Covered Bridge Fund. The \$1,000 match for a grant for Huffman Mill Bridge was mistakenly taken out of the wrong fund. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

Highway Report

Hepatitis Shots – Superintendent Painter stated that the Health Department has offered to give all of the highway workers Hepatitis A and B shots for free. Painter asked the commissioners if the county should require the shots be taken. After a brief discussion, Rininger suggested that the nurse give a presentation to the workers explaining why it is important and then offer the shots for free. The commissioners decided not to require.

CR 200 E – Painter reported that two county concrete structures on CR 200 E, between CR 900N and CR 1000 N, could be washed out after the new SR 231 is completed. He is contacting INDOT to discuss the state replacing the structures.

Surveyor Truck – Painter reminded the commissioners that the Surveyor is still driving a truck that is on the Highway books. The commissioners asked Painter to come up with a fair price and report back at the next meeting.

EMA Vehicle Repair – Discussion was had on the vehicle repair work being requested by EMA. The commissioners stated that the Highway should be doing only minimal maintenance work on other county vehicles. Anything more extensive should be sent to an outside shop.

CR 300 E – Painter stated that he has been contacted by a property owner on CR 300 E because INDOT paved a dead end created by the new SR 231 but left a small section of the road gravel. Painter will be contacting Calvin Evans at INDOT. Spot patching may be enough to cover the area.

The meeting was recessed at 10:20 am.

The meeting was re-convened at 10:26 am.

Ambulance Request

Gogel stated that the Emergency Ambulance Service requested a new ambulance at budget time in the Commissioners budget but the council would like it to be paid for out of Cum Cap. Gogel made a motion to request an additional of \$40,000 for an ambulance out of Cum Cap. Logsdon seconded. All in favor.

Engineer Report

Stimulus Funds – Engineer Lloyd reported she spoke with Brian Malone and all of the bids for the stimulus road bids came in under estimate, so there is a chance the remaining two projects that were originally submitted will be funded.

CEDIT – Lloyd detailed possible additions to the CEDIT plan as follows:

1. CR 200N – from Silverdale Road to US 231 – cost \$142,756.
Condition of this road and traffic counts show that this road needs something done to it in the next year or two. Asphalt surface is needed.
2. Old State Road – from Silverdale Road to CR 500N – cost \$248,492
This road is in need of an asphalt surface within the next year or two. Another winter will be hard on this road. It has been held together by patching the last few years.
3. 475E/1350N/550E/1300N – cost \$279,852
These roads carry a lot of traffic and will need asphalt surface in the next few years.
4. CR 950E – from SR 62 to SR 162 – cost \$100,710
This road would need a new surface in the next couple of years, and because it is a short stretch of road, it can be re-paved for a minimal amount of money and would then be in good shape for at least 10 years.
5. 1050N/1200E/1160N – cost \$237,118
Many people use this road to travel from Evanston to New Boston. It has been patched recently, but is in need of a new surface in the next couple of years
6. Base Road – SR 161 to Rockport – cost \$130,118
This road carries a lot of traffic between Reo and Rockport. An asphalt base was put down 2 years ago. This road is in need of a surface. A chip-seal surface could be put down for about \$25,000 instead of an asphalt surface.

The remaining roads will all benefit from being on the CEDIT plan, but are not as high priority as the ones above. To pave or re-pave the following roads, they would need to be put on the plan. There would not be enough district commissioner money to do these roads.

CR 300E – CR 162 to CR 1625N – cost \$54,160
 CR 350N – US 231 to Grandview – cost \$217,490
 Old State Road – CR 500N to SR 62 – cost \$1,324,827
 CR 400N – CR 900W to SR 161 – cost \$257,000
 CR 450W – CR 500N to SR 66 – cost \$755,094
 CR 475E – SR 70 to CR 1000N – cost \$393,058
 CR 600E – SR 62 north – cost \$320,594

Logsdon made a motion to table. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

Legal Report

Lueken stated that he is still working with the Sheriff’s department on the inter-local agreement and he is still working on getting the ATV liability language in a bill.

Gogel asked Lueken to provide a report to the commissioners each meeting detailing what items he works on for the county.

Claims

Logsdon made a motion to approve claims. Gogel seconded. All in favor.

Logsdon made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 11:01 am.

Board of Commissioners,

President

Attest:

Cindy Shelton, Auditor
