

**REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY INDIANA
APRIL 20, 2006**

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on April 20, 2006 in Room 308, City-County Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

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

The minutes for the meeting of April 6, 2006, having been mailed to the Commissioners and Mr. Moore prior to the meeting, were presented to the Board for approval. Commissioner Haire made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

At the request of **Jim Snook**, Commissioner Haire made a motion to approve a direct deposit account at New Washington State Bank for the juvenile detention school lunch program. Mr. Snook reported that the bank has agreed to waive the fees and limits. Mr. Snook also stated that he was notified that it is now mandatory that the funds from the **State Department of Education** would be direct deposited and he or his administrative assistant would then write the checks to the Auditor from that account. Commissioner Haire made a motion to approve the account. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0. Mr. Snook informed the Board that they would soon receive a report from the state on the Juvenile Detention March inspection.

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 with the same two exceptions of the minutes of February 9, 2005. Auditor Haas stated that 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 with the two exceptions. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and passed 3-0.

Commissioner Haire made a motion to reappoint the current members of the **Community Corrections Advisory Board**. Commissioner Guthrie seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

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Mr. Michael Lindley and Attorney Jack Vissing made a request that the Commissioner step in and intervene in the construction of median-islands that **Robert Lynn** is installing on **Bethany Road**. A number of residents attended the meeting. Mr. Lindley stated that the islands will cause huge safety and visibility issues for the residents of **Bethany Farms**. **Hanna Bucholz, Donald Bucholz, Glen Parton and Justin Roberts** spoke with concerns about the construction. Mr. Vissing submitted a letter of petition in opposition for the record. Mr. Moore advised that the group in opposition present their request in writing to the Commissioners stating what they want the Commissioners, in their official capacity, to do in this situation.

Commissioner Haire made motion to approve and sign Supplemental Agreement No. 1 with **Bernardin, Lockmueller & Associates, and Incorporated** for consultation services to provide planning services associated with the Local Public Agency's Community Planning Grant. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

At the recommendation of Mr. Moore, Commissioner Guthrie made a motion to ratify President Meyer's signature on a letter to the **City of Charlestown** regarding the dis-annexation. Commissioner Guthrie seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner Haire made a motion to approve two clerical changes to **Commissioner's Ordinance 5-2006**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and it passed 3-0.

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve and sign a contract with **Absolute Networking Systems, Inc.** for temporary relocations & solutions for renovations includes data cabling & certified engineers for data system on the **jail project**. The Commissioner's asked Auditor Haas to submit the proper paperwork for advertising in preparation for the Council's consideration. Commissioner Guthrie seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

The Commissioner's instructed Mr. Moore to prepare a letter to the **Sellersburg Fire Department** stating that per contract they are required to have an ambulance in Charlestown Township.

At the request of **Mr. Harold Plummer**, Commissioner Haire made a motion to declare an emergency situation to exist that demands immediate action. Pursuant to IC.36-9-15.5-8 (C) the Board found it necessary, to protect the public health, welfare or safety, to expend money from the Cumulative Capital Development Fund in the amount of (\$1500.00) fifteen hundred dollars to pay for repairs on sirens in the county. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

Commissioner Haire made a motion to authorize Mr. Moore's signature on the Declaration of **County Income Tax Rate** for the **Indiana Department of Revenue**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed 3-0.

The Treasurer's monthly report was submitted for the record.

Commissioner Haire made a motion to re-establish the **Cumulative Bridge Fund** at a rate of five cents and authorize County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas to do the publication for public hearing May 18, 2006. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 3-0.

The Commissioner's discussed a situation in which **Connie Kitts**, Clark County **Sheriff's Secretary**, wants the Commissioners to pay **Diversified Insurance** for a reimbursement regarding an insurance claim on a patrol car. After discussion, Mr. Moore advised that Ms. Kitts needs to submit a letter to the Commissioners detailing her request. The Commissioners instructed Mr. Moore to contact Ms. Kitts and tell her what is required by the Board.

For the record Mr. Moore advised the Board that they should be very cautious regarding the conflict between the homeowners at Bethany Farms Subdivision and Robert Lynn, since the ordinance being complained about is the Commissioner's Ordinance to enforce. Mr. Moore advised it is possible that the Commissioners could be named as defendants in a lawsuit that could arise from the median-dispute.

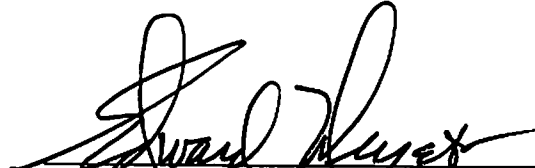
Commissioner Haire made a motion to begin putting a sign in sheet at the door for persons who wish to speak at the meetings. The sheet will include the name, address and nature of comment. Mr. Moore agreed to work with Auditor Haas to prepare the sheet to keep at the door. Also, Mr. Meyer directed that, whenever possible, persons seeking official vote of the Commissioners, should be required to present their requests in writing.


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.

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA


EDWARD MEYER, PRESIDENT


VICKY KENT HAIRE, MEMBER


RALPH GUTHRIE, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY *4th* day of *May*, 2006

ATTEST:


BARBARA BRATCHER HAAS
CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR