

**REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY INDIANA
DECEMBER 18, 2003**

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on December 18, 2003 in Room 308, City-County Building, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Present at the meeting were County Commissioners David Lewis, Raymond Parker and Vicky Kent Haire, County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas, County Attorney Scott Lewis, Secretary/Administrative Assistant Pam Smith, and Deputy Auditor Theresa James.

County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas having audited the vendor claims, found them to be in accordance with Indiana Code 5-11-10-2, and submitted them to the Board for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve and sign said claims. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 3-0.

County Auditor Barbara Bratcher Haas having audited the payroll claims, found them to be in accordance with Indiana Code 5-11-10-2, and submitted them to the Board for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to approve and sign said claims. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and passed 3-0.

As requested by the Commissioner, Mr. Ryan McGregor, Community Corrections Director, appeared before the Board with a report on the Community Corrections Program. After discussion Commissioner Haire made a motion to have County Attorney Scott Lewis draft a letter to the Judges in Clark County encouraging anticipation in the program and inquiring why there hasn't been as much participation as they expected. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 3-0.

Commissioner Parker made a motion to approve and sign the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Subrecipient Semi-Annual Report on the New Hope Services, Inc. Grant # FL-98-002. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and passed 3-0.

On behalf of Ms. Kathy Jones, Center for Lay Ministries, Ms. Jill Saegesser informed the Commissioners that they are planning a ground breaking ceremony Thursday, January 22, 2004 at two o'clock. Ms. Saegesser explained that if this particular day and time are not convenient for the members of the Board, they can work with them to pick a day that is more convenient. The Commissioners suggested that they proceed as planned and they will check their schedules and get back with them if there is a conflict.

The Clark County Commissioners received four (4) bids for the Center for Lay Ministries Expansion project (CF-02-132) at the Estopinal Group, Inc. on December 11, 2003. The project architect recommends Upton Pry. Inc. as the lowest responsive bidder in the amount of \$395,700.00 (see letter from Charles Hilpp, The Estopinal Group, Inc.) The Clark County Commissioners accepted the selection of Upton Pry, Inc. as the lowest responsible, responsive bidder in the amount of \$395,700.00. Commissioner Haire, contingent upon County Attorney Scott Lewis's approval, made a motion to approve the contract and authorize President Lewis's signature outside the meeting. The motion was also to award and execute all necessary documents, notice-to-proceed, etc. contingent upon written receipt of the notice of release of funds and authorization to incur costs from the Indiana Department of Commerce and review by the Board's attorney. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 3-0.

Ms. Sharon Marra, Executive Director Clark County Solid Waste, presented the Board with the Governor's Award of Excellence that was presented to her on October 30, 2003 from Governor Kernan. The 2003 Governor's Award of Excellence for Environmental recycling reuse to Clark County Solid Waste Management Department, Clark County Soil and Water Conservation District, City of Charlestown, City of Jeffersonville, Town of Clarksville, Town of Sellersburg and the Clark County Commissioners collaborating to establish a permanent Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center and help combating the problem of non-point source pollution. The State of Indiana is going to use Clark County's program as a model project Statewide for other Soil and Water Districts and Solid Waste Districts to duplicate. (See a copy of the itemized list that Ms. Marra presented to the Commissioners.)

Mr. Amil Kleinert, Ms. Pat Larr, Ms. Peg Wright, Mr. Dan Coots. And Mr. Joe Madison, Members of the Clark County Soil and Water Conservation District, appeared before the Board. Mr. Kleinert and Ms. Pat Larr served as spokespersons for the group in regard to funding for the mandatory programs that they are required to begin in 2004. Mr. Kleinert reported that because the line item in the Commissioner's budget was set at one dollar by the County Council, they must ask for help to meet their obligations. Ms. Pat Larr addressed the issue of additional funding for the Conservation Education program and phase two of the Storm Drain Stenciling Project. After discussion, Commissioner Haire suggested that someone contact County Surveyor Robert Isgrigg to find out if he could find a way to help with funding from the Clark Country Corners Perpetuation Fund. Also, the Commissioners stated that they would make the members of the County Council aware of the risk of a fine if these mandatory projects aren't completed. No action was taken at this time.

A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to approve and sign Ordinance No. 13-2003 (An Ordinance Accepting the Dedication of a Sixty Foot Right of Way With-In the Jurisdiction of Clark County and Amending the County Maps to Reflect the Change) Mr. Alan Morris, Attorney, appeared before the Commissioners representing Sellersburg Stone Company, Incorporated, reporting that the alternative route and said roadway has been completed as agreed by Mr. Kenny Rush, Vice-President, Selllersburg Stone, at the meeting of November 21, 2001. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Haire and passed 3-0. (See a copy of the ordinance attached.)

Mr. Harold Goodlett appeared before the Board asking for direction in regard to the lease between the Longworth Villa Nursing Home and the Clark County 4-H will expire December 31, 2003 and will not be renewed. Mr. Goodlett reported that they would like to lease the building again because the utilities and insurance must be kept up, but if they cannot, they will have to make other arrangements because they cannot keep paying these expenses. Also, Mr. Goodlett reported that the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) plans to clean up the pond located on the property. After discussion an agreement was reached to have the property inspected to see what kind of condition it is in and then discuss it further. No action was necessary at this time.

A motion was made by Commissioner Haire to approve and sign Resolution 10-2003 (A Resolution Approving the Transfer of Real Estate, The Approval of the Sale and Issuance of Bonds and Approval of the Form of Continuing Disclosure Undertaking Agreement for the Clark County Jail Project.) The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and passed 3-0. (See a copy of the resolution attached.)

Because of the recent annexation by Charlestown City, Commissioner Parker made a motion to approve and authorize an Interlocal Agreement for Road Related Services with the City of Charlestown. In this agreement the County shall provide snow and ice removal services (equipment and labor) for major thoroughfares in the annexation areas of the Municipalities, specifically for High Jackson Road, Bethany Road and Stacy Road. The County shall not provide snow and ice removal services for minor roads or for subdivision roads in the Municipality. The County shall not hold provide snow and ice removal services for minor roads or for subdivision roads in the Municipality. The Municipality shall indemnify and hold harmless the County under the Agreement. This agreement will be forwarded to the City of Charlestown and the Clark County Council for their approval. (See a copy of the agreement attached.)

There being no further business to come before the Board and on a motion made by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Haire, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA

DAVID LEWIS, PRESIDENT

RAMOND PARKER, MEMBER

VICKY KENT HAIRE, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY

ATTEST:

BARBARA BRATCHER HAAS
CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR