

Commissioner Meeting
October 2, 2012

Present: David Gogel, Mickey Toler, Al Logsdon, Chuck Painter, Tara Lloyd, Attorney Lindsey, Auditor Lynam

Meeting was called to order by President David Gogel at 8:15 A.M.

Minutes

Toler made a motion to approve the minutes from July 17, Logsdon seconded the motion, motion passed. Gogel wanted everyone to know that we had received a Thank You from Owensboro for helping with the Air Show. Logsdon said he would speak with the representative from St Mary's Warrick and see if using CRS would be to our advantage.

Claims

CEDIT

Toler made a motion to accept the CEDIT claims. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion passed.

Regular

Logsdon asked Gogel as President to please check on claim #23 for more explanation. Logsdon then made a motion to approve the regular claims, Toler seconded the motion, motion passed.

Highway Report

Logsdon asked Painter how many bridges Bernardin Lochmuller checked each year. Painter explained that there are either 174 or 175 bridges in the county and they are done on a two year rotation. Painter reported that Gohmann was finished with the paving on Dilger and Short Johnnys town Roads, but they had not put down the shoulder stone yet. Weather permitting we are going to try to get the seal coat down because it looks a little coarse.

Logsdon asked what Painter had found out about the bridge on county road 650. Painter said he had checked it and it wasn't really hurt, it did have a chip in it. They are working on the approach today, filling it in because it had settled some. He is looking at a bridge on 400N west of Richland that needs some repairs; 550' before you get to Bullocktown Road on 400N. When it was repaired before we used some used concrete beams and the concrete is now falling off in the wheel tracks of the traffic. We are looking at putting steel beams and a metal deck on it. Another project is on county road 750 W north of 350N, there is an old concrete box culvert there; they are going to tear that out and install a big pipe. Painter has talked to Helms, the property owner, to get permission to lay the pipe across his property. This pipe will drain into a bigger ditch so the road won't flood again. The Troy Refinery Site is just about cleaned up, everything is going good. Still hasn't heard anything from Brian Kleeman on the core drilling he did.

Logsdon asked if we had sufficient salt for the winter and if we had enough money for rock and gravel. Painter said we were in good shape for that. Logsdon said he felt we should have Cindy Painter check with Synenergy and find out what the prices are now on fuel; we have never looked at prices in the fall. Logsdon then asked Painter when he was going to let the bids for the bridge on county road 400N. Painter responded that as soon as he could get a scope of the work needed. It would probably be closed a week if we contract it out, and two weeks if our crew does it.

Engineer Report

Bob Long from the Ohio office of AEP contacted Lloyd about a haul road. His concern was about the permit process. Coming off of County Road 350 N and going north they have a haul road. When they come from the South from their haul road they want to cross over 350 N and build another access road back to the plant. Since they will constantly be crossing the road he wanted to know what they needed to do in order to accomplish this. They want to raise the road 2 feet, based on our approving their plan. So it would be out of the 100 year flood plain. Lloyd explained that we usually do a blanket bond, anywhere from 20 to 25 thousand dollars, renewable yearly. Lloyd's concern was where they are raising the road two feet is the tapering they will do; it will then have to be paved back to our standards. Long said he would get her the drawing to look at first and she and Painter could check them first, if we approve them, they will improve the road to meet our specs, at no cost to the county. Painter raised a couple of concerns about the road being raised; the first concern was coming back west if there was enough room to raise the road and still meet our bridge. The other concern was if they do raise the road we need to have them make it wide enough in case we ever decide to upgrade 350 to an industrial road. Logsdon made a motion to grant permission to Painter and Lloyd to work with AEP to mutually approve 350 N and the EP haul road as stated in Lloyds' presentation, making sure that the width of 350 N would meet specifications for heavy industrial road through the improvement span. Toler seconded the motion, motion passed.

Legal Report

Lindsey passed out a summary of services to the Commissioners for their consideration. Gogel asked for options on the Troy Refinery Property. Lindsey said he would do a written executive summary on it. Logsdon spoke about an email that he received from Celina Osborne which was a Request for Local Agency Data for Indiana Legislature. He explained they needed to know how much extra money the

county has to put in over and above MVH funds to run our road programs. He told Lloyd they would appreciate any information, insight she could give; they have to have this information so the representatives and senators will know that we are doing everything possible to help ourselves. Make sure they know for the past so many years Spencer County has utilized so many millions of dollars from CEDIT funds for our road programs.

Joe King- Flood Control-Grandview

King wanted the Commissioners to know he was still working on his project to control flood water going into Grandview. Earlier in the year all roads east and west of Grandview were flooded and the only way from one side to the other was to go out to the highway and around. King explained that he had talked to the Army Corp of Engineers and they had no problem with what he wanted to do; his idea to alleviate the problem is to go to the river side of the highway, and build a form, pour some concrete, where we could put a lid on it to raise the lid up and close it as needed. After much discussion the Commissioners told him to contact Ron Bacon, his State Representative and see if there was anything he could do to help.

ProLiance Energy

Karen Rickert with ProLiance Energy gave a presentation concerning natural gas; they have the ability to serve County meters, to supply them with natural gas, the same as they do schools. The AIC had asked Reliance to speak with all counties to see what they could do for them. She explained that their purpose is to set our gas prices moving forward; we can always provide a price lower than Vectren. Our purpose is to keep the volatility out of the price; we are able year after year to provide strategies to help out. The only thing we supply is the gas that actually goes through the pipe; you will still be charged a meter and distribution charge from Vectren. This allows you to know where you are going to be with your gas prices. I would need to get with Vectren, with your permission, to get all the accounts that you currently have here in the county. Vectren will give us your historic usages, and from there we would determine with your help, what we think you might use. We secure those volumes, it takes about thirty days to get everything set up; and then it would run for twelve months. There is no minimum for the county; you are locking in the commodity charge, nothing else. The only thing she needs is the account information; she will do the rest and get back to us. Logsdon made a motion to initiate the action needed to get the Vectren information to Karen Rickert with ProLiance. Toler seconded the motion, motion passed.

Anita Frakes-Sara Arnold-Computers

Frakes presented three quotes for the Commissioners approval for computers for the Treasurers' and the Assessors' Office. One quote each from Eck Mundy, Affinity and Dell. After some discussion both Frakes and Arnold recommended the quote from Eck Mundy. Toler made a motion to accept the quote from Eck Mundy and to pay for the computers out of Cum Cap Courthouse Maintenance. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion passed.

Toler made a motion to adjourn, Toler seconded the motion, motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 10:25 A.M.

President
Attest:

Auditor