



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ALLEN

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MINUTES

Commissioners' Legislative Session
10:00 a.m. Friday, June 24, 2011
Council Chambers Courtroom – Citizens Square

Commissioners Present: Linda Bloom and Therese Brown
Commissioners Absent: Nelson Peters

Others Present:	Chris Cloud	Commissioners Office
	Mike Green	Commissioners Office
	Rhonda Rice	Commissioners
	Bill Fishing	County Attorney
	Ken Fries	Sheriff
	Sheila Hudson	Community Corrections
	Bill Hartman	Highway Dept.
	Mike Obergfell	Bishop Dwenger
	John Mignone	Pathfinders Services
	Jason Meyer	Pathfinders Services
	Jeff Teusch	Pathfinders Services
	Molly McCray	City Council
	Sara Quinn	Huntertown Citizen
	Jeff Neumeyer	WPTA - TV
	Vivian Sade	Journal Gazette

Commissioner Bloom called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. Commissioner Bloom led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

- 1. Approval of the minutes of June 3rd and June 10th, 2011.** Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 2. Contractual Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Bowen Center for Human Services for counseling services for Allen County Work Release.** Sheriff Fries presented this item. He stated this agreement is for services pertaining to substance abuse and psychiatric/mental health issues. The contract used to be with Park Center. They cancelled that contract in May/June of 2010. Since then we have been using student interns from IPFW to help provide that. We are starting 2 more interns next month to help augment what the Bowen Center will do for us. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Contractual Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Bowen Center for Human Services for counseling services for Allen County Work Release. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 3. Professional Services Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Richard A. Horstmeyer, DDS, MD, PC to provide certain health care services to residents of the Kelley House on behalf of Community Corrections.** Sheila Hudson, Director of Community Corrections, presented this item. She stated this agreement was prepared by Attorney Tom Hardin and in relationship to the medical authority in services Dr. Horstmeyer will provide at the Kelley House on an ongoing basis. Commissioner Brown asked what type of services he would be performing. Sheila responded mainly on-call 24 hours a day for telephone calls. The visits will be rare. We have a psychiatrist that is on contract from Park Center and a psychiatric nurse. When we have issues that are out of the nurse's purview, we call him for advice and suggestions. If he needs to be called in then he will be. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve

the Professional Services Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Richard A. Horstmeyer, DDS, MD, PC to provide certain health care services to residents of the Kelley House on behalf of Community Corrections. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

4. **Letter of Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Drs. Joseph Hansel and Jacqueline Remondet Wall for evaluation services of Allen County Community Corrections.** Sheila Hudson, stated both doctors are clinical psychologists and professors at IPUI. They are qualitative and quantitative researchers. We are required by law through the Community Corrections state grant and also the federal stimulus grant received for Kelley House to have at least a cursory evaluation of the whole program. This 2 year obligation with the doctors is for a full evaluation, qualitative and a quantitative. It will be a very in depth full program evaluation. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Letter of Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Drs. Joseph Hansel and Jacqueline Remondet Wall for evaluation services of Allen County Community Corrections. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
5. **Approval of program funding awards from the Allen County Community Endowment Program.** Beth Lock, Commissioners Office, presented this item. Awards to the finalists for the County Community Endowment program were announced. She stated these finalists, in their applications, really exemplified and focused on job creation, job retention and enhancing the quality of life to unincorporated areas of Allen County. Receiving the awards were Pathfinder Community Connections, Fort Wayne Trails and Junior Achievement. John Mignone, Chairman of the Pathfinder Board was present to receive their award and said how grateful they are that Allen County Commissioners is investing Pathfinder Services. He stated this will enable 50 families to purchase homes in the unincorporated areas of Allen County. They anticipate that many of these homes will be new and facilitated through strong relationships with Granite Ridge Builders, Lancia Homes and some of the area Realtors. These investments will result in increased property taxes for Allen County and help mitigate the decline of property tax issues currently seen. They anticipate that 50 homebuyers by deciding to buy homes in Allen County will create about \$60,000 in property tax revenue, just over \$1.78 million in government revenue and just over \$2 million in wages for the jobs for construction employees that will build these homes. They also anticipate assisting 70 families in becoming better prepared through their financial fitness education program to purchase homes in Allen County over the next several years. Since January 1 they have partnered to help 26 families purchase homes in Allen County, 24 of which are brand new that will help property tax revenue increase for the County. He thanked them again for their support. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the program funding awards from the Allen County Community Endowment Program. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
6. **Amendment to Agreement with Accela, Inc for changes to license and maintenance fees on behalf of County IT.** Joel Carboni, Project Mgr., presented this item. This contract has been in place since Dec. 2007. With the proposed changes that are coming soon to the Accela platform we are currently at capacity for licensing which means that only certain people can log in and anyone else who needs an account will not be able to have one unless we purchase additional licenses. Accela has agreed to give us a site license for unlimited seats and they are also willing to freeze our maintenance at the current amount. They are giving us a \$300,000 discount to proceed with this. We have also agreed to work with the City of Fort Wayne to merge our licenses so we are only paying from one pot. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Amendment to Agreement with Accela, Inc. for changes to license and maintenance fees on behalf of County IT. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
7. **Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Environmental Management Specialists for asbestos abatement at the City-County Building. (DEFERRED)**
8. **Sign Requests – Bridgewater Subdivision**
 - a. **White Coral Drive at Sandstone Dr – 4 way Stop**
 - b. **Waxwing Court @ Sandstone Drive – Stop Sign**
 - c. **Galapagos Drive @ Sandstone Drive – 4 way Stop**

Bill Hartman, Highway Director, presented this item. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Sign Requests for Bridgewater Subdivision. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

9. Sign Request – Bull Rapids Rd

**a. Bull Rapids Rd from SR 37 to North County Line Rd – 45 mph Speed Limit
Extension of existing limit south of SR 37.**

Bill Hartman, Highway Director, presented this item. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Sign Requests for Bull Rapids Rd. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

10. Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for the Operation of a Joint Oversight Permitting Board for the County of Allen and City of Fort Wayne. Commissioner Brown explained that this document is the starting point from the group that has met over the last year to find ways to be able to improve the permitting process that occurs for builders, individual developers and all assorted individuals wanting to make improvements to their property or to develop property. The group consisted of volunteers from County Council, City Council, the Commissioners office and the Mayor's office. This agreement between the City and the County outlines and allows for the appointment of individuals to be able to meet publicly to allow for discussion about changes in technological structure, to allow for discussions and recommendations to the Board of Commissioners for changes in permitting processes, of course all of this being vetted through the public. It was discussed greatly at the joint City/County Council meeting that it would be appropriate for this type of document to exist, not only to outline the goals and objectives but to outline the roles and responsibilities that those individuals would have. Ultimately the Commissioners would have approval process regarding anything that comes under our purview and the same would be true as well with the City once they pass the same document. This is a document that will help allow for movement forward for that group to start meeting officially. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for the Operation of a Joint Oversight Permitting Board for the County of Allen and City of Fort Wayne. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

11. Appointments to the Joint Oversight Permitting Board. Commissioner Brown explained that as outlined in the agreement above, the Commissioners have 2 appointments to this board. The Commissioners believe it is appropriate to have one Council member as an appointment and a Commissioner as an appointment. County Council has an appointment as well which would take care of the county side and the City would have appointments as well. We have had discussions over the period of time when this group met and having witnessed a couple of those meetings they work very well together and to keep continuity Commissioner Brown made a motion to keep Nelson Peters and make our secondary appointment Roy Buskirk of County Council our two appointments to this board. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

12. Appointment to Memorial Coliseum Board of Directors. Commissioner Brown stated that after much deliberation and discussion we had several individuals that came forward that were interested in participating on the Memorial Coliseum Board. This is the vacancy left by Mr. Mark Pope who resigned earlier this month. The effective date for this appointment would be July 1. The individual who we believe would be appropriate for this Board and would serve very well, has a good history with the Coliseum as someone who has actually had contractual obligations with the Fort Wayne Fury and the Fort Wayne Ants and is very well respected in this community. Commissioner Brown made a motion to appoint Dennis Sutton, Attorney at Law, to the Memorial Coliseum Board of Directors. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

13. Escrow Retainage Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Lake City Bank and LA Electric. Chris Cloud, Executive Assistant, stated that as part of the City/County Building project when one of the multiple prime contracts we have is over a certain dollar amount, some money is held in escrow. This retainage agreement allows the company to keep the interest as it is their money. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Escrow Retainage Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Lake City Bank and LA Electric. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

- 14. Other Business:** Commissioner Brown recognized the Bishop Dwenger High School class in attendance with Mr. Mike Oberfell. They came to watch government in action.
- 15. Approval to waive the 2nd Reading on any matter approved today and for which it may be deemed necessary for the Legislative Session of June 24, 2011.** Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve waiving the 2nd Reading on any matter approved today and for which it may be deemed necessary for the Legislative Session of June 24, 2011. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 16. Comments from the Public.** Sara Quinn, Huntertown Resident, appeared to voice her opposition to Huntertown's plans to build a waste water treatment center at the Woods Road location.
- 17. Motion to Adjourn.** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

Allen County does not discriminate because of disability in the admission to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or activities. The Human Resources Director has been designated to coordinate compliance with nondiscrimination requirements contained in Section 35.107 of the Department of Justice regulations. Information concerning the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the rights provided therein, and Allen County's ADA policy is available from the ADA Coordinator. Suggestions on how the County can better meet the needs of persons with disabilities may be submitted to the ADA coordinator at: Human Resources Department, 1 East Main Street, Room 300, Fort Wayne, IN 46802, or by phone at (260) 449-7217.