TIPPECANOE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
March 18, 2013

The Tippecanoe County Commissioners met on Monday, March 18, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the Tippecanoe Room in the County Office Building. Commissioners present were: President David S. Byers, Vice President John L. Knochel, and Commissioner Thomas P. Murtaugh. Also present were: Attorney David W. Luhman, Auditor Jennifer Weston, Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist, and Recording Secretary Tillie Hennigar.

President Byers called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATION
Severe Weather Awareness Week

President Byers, West Lafayette Mayor John Dennis, TEMA Director Smokey Anderson, City Clerk Cindy Murray, and Carol Shelby from Purdue University proclaimed March 24 – 30, 2013 as Severe Weather Awareness Week in Tippecanoe County and read the following proclamation:

LAFAYETTE, WEST LAFAYETTE AND PURDUE UNIVERSITY

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

"SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK"
MARCH 24th - 30th 2013

WHEREAS: The month of March through June present the highest risk for severe thunderstorms and tornadoes to strike Tippecanoe County; and

WHEREAS: Tippecanoe County is located within the nation's "Tornado Belt", becoming a prime target of devastating tornado outbreaks and other types of severe weather and;

WHEREAS: A statewide tornado warning exercise will be held on March 27, 2013 for the purpose of testing communications systems, equipment and procedures and;

WHEREAS: During this week, the Tippecanoe County Emergency Management is emphasizing its safety procedures involving tornado activity.

NOW, THEREFORE,
We, the undersigned do hereby proclaim the week of March 24th - 30th, 2013 as

SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK

in Tippecanoe County and encourage all citizens to become aware of tornado danger signs, and to learn how to safeguard the lives of their families, friends, and citizenry in the event of severe weather activity in our area.

The Proclamation was signed by President Byers, Vice President John Knochel, Commissioner Tom Murtaugh, Lafayette Mayor Tony Roswarski, West Lafayette Mayor John Dennis, and Purdue University representative Carol Shelby.

PROCLAMATION
Preservation & Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing

President Byers, Commissioners Knochel and Murtaugh read the proclamation recognizing March 22 – 24 as Barbershop Harmony Days.

Proclamation

Whereas The Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Inc. (SPEBSQSA)— now recognized as The Barbershop Harmony Society—was officially organized April 11, 1938 in Tulsa, Oklahoma; and

Whereas The Lafayette Indiana Chapter of the SPEBSQSA (the **Tippecanotes Chorus**), was officially organized within the Society's **Cardinal District** in the year 1947, and

Whereas The Barbershop Harmony Society celebrates its 75th anniversary and our local **Tippecanotes Chorus** celebrates its 66th anniversary, and

Whereas The Cardinal District of the SPEBSQSA has chosen the **Tippecanotes Chorus** to host its Spring Convention and Chorus-Quartet competitions in Lafayette/West Lafayette thru the weekend of March 22-24, 2013, and

Whereas The Barbershop Harmony Society, its Districts and Chapters encourage harmony amongst all people of the world through the universal language of music; actively preserving and presenting a distinct style of vocal music that originated in North America, and

Whereas **Barbershoppers** promote musical education in our high schools and communities through music scholarships and other means, and support charitable foundations; and

Whereas The **Tippecanotes** are engaged in laudable civic service and enrichment of our cultural life through the fostering of traditional values in entertainment and community endeavors;

Now, therefore, we, DAVID BYERS, JOHN KNOCHEL, TOM MURTAUGH, Commissioners of Tippecanoe County, Indiana, do hereby proclaim March 22 – 24, 2013, as

Barbershop Harmony Days

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the County to be affixed.

Done this 18th day of March, 2013.

Following the reading of the proclamation, the Tippecanotes performed the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held March 4, 2013, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the accounts payable vouchers for March 5, 7, 8, 11, 13, 15, and 18, 2013 as submitted without exception, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

HIGHWAY – Opal Kuhl
McCarty Lane Change Orders #12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 from Milestone Contractors, L.P.

Highway Director Kuhl said the McCarty Lane project is complete. The contractor and INDOT have finalized the paperwork, creating the following change orders:

Change Order #12 allowed for 7 additional days due to weather restrictions. There is no change to the dollar amount.

Change Order #13 is extra work for closures. The road was closed over the winter, which was not originally planned, creating additional signs and barricades. The signs required monitoring, repairs and replacements. Change Order #13 is in the amount of $10,902.87.

Change Order #14 was for berm drainage and additional grading on State Road 26. The amount for Change Order #14 is $606.74.

Change Order #15 is for additional rip rap and grading for erosion issues on the cross road ditches. The amount is $6,029.89.

Change Order #16 is for a driveway along the cul-de-sac that needed realignment and widened. The amount is $1,046.15.

Change Order #17 is a deduction for asphalt overrun in the amount of $79,728.23.

Change Order #18 balances all quantities in the contract in the amount of $231,320.26.

The final total for the McCarty Lane project is $6,758,593.12. The project was a Federal Aid project with an 80% federal allotment of funds. The 20% match was from the County Road 350 S project from several years ago.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve Change Orders 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18 as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

***ORDINANCE 2013-10-CM* - Amending Tippecanoe County Code, Chapter 72, Schedule III (B), Traffic Schedule regarding Stop Intersections with Railways** – *First Reading*

Highway Technician Services Coordinator Mike Parks said the Ordinance revises the stop sign schedule for railroad crossings, deleting stop signs no longer present due to the Hoosier Heartland construction.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve Ordinance 2013-10-CM as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh.

President Byers invited public comments in approval of or opposition to the Ordinance. There were none.

Auditor Weston recorded the vote.

Byers	Aye
Knochel	Aye
Murtaugh	Aye

Ordinance 2013-10-CM passed 3-0 on first reading.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to suspend the rules and hear Ordinance 2013-10-CM on second reading, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to hear Ordinance 2013-10-CM on second reading, second by Commissioner Murtaugh.

President Byers invited public comment in approval of or opposition to the Ordinance. There were none.

Auditor Weston recorded the vote.

Byers	Aye
Knochel	Aye
Murtaugh	Aye

Ordinance 2013-10-CM passed 3-0 on second and final reading.

Utility Maintenance Bond - American Suburban Utilities

Director Kuhl presented a Utility Maintenance Bond from American Suburban Utilities in the amount of $5,000 for work in the right-of-ways.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the Utility Maintenance Bond as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

License or Permit Bond – E & B Paving, Inc.

Director Kuhl presented a License or Permit Bond from E & B Paving in the amount of $100,000 for the use of County Road 900 N during the next phase of the Hoosier Heartland. The bond was requested in the event that E & B Paving damages CR 900, which was resurfaced in 2012.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the License or Permit Bond for E & B Paving as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Continuation Certificate - Tri-County Company, dba TDS Telecom

Director Kuhl said the Continuation Certificate in the amount of $5,000 is from Tri-County for work in the right-of-ways.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the Continuation Certificate for Tri-County, dba TDS Telecom as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Continuation Certificate – American Paving and Asphalt

Director Kuhl said the Continuation Certificate is for American Paving and Asphalt to work in the right-of-ways.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the Continuation Certificate for American Paving and Asphalt as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Covered Bridge Certification

Director Kuhl said the certification is to verify there are no covered bridges in Tippecanoe County. The certification is needed because there is a special funding category for roads which have a covered bridge.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the Covered Bridge Certification as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

GRANTS – Laurie Wilson
Permission to Accept Grant

Grant Facilitator Laurie Wilson requested permission to accept a grant for TEMA in the amount of $50,000 from the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) to fund the District 4 Administrative Coordinator in 2014. It is a renewal grant in the 6th year.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve permission to accept the TEMA grant in the amount of $50,000 as presented, second by Commissioner Knochel; motion carried.

Grant Facilitator Laurie Wilson requested permission to accept a grant with the Board of Commissioners. The grant provides a consent letter between the Commissioners and IDHS allowing IDHS to retain and spend $410,562.01 of FFY 2011 SHSP grant funds on behalf of Tippecanoe County. The funds will support State Level Exercises scheduled for September, 2013 and June, 2014.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve permission to accept the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

CLERK – Christa Coffey
Sponsorship Agreement for Bar Association

Clerk Coffey said the Tippecanoe County Bar Association requested her sponsorship for use of a courtroom for meetings on March 15 and April 30, 2013.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the Sponsorship Agreement for the Bar Association as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

COMMISSIONERS – Janie Peters

Sponsorship Agreement - "*Round the Fountain Art Fair*"

Round the Fountain Art Fair Committee Board Member Janie Peters requested approval of a Sponsorship Agreement for use of the Courthouse grounds on Saturday, May 25, 2013 for the *Round the Fountain Art Fair*. It is the 40th year; attendance is increasing and artists from all over the country are participating.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the Sponsorship Agreement for the Art Fair as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

TREASURER – Bob Plantenga
Maintenance Agreement – Pitney Bowes

Treasurer Plantenga said there was a four year lease with Pitney Bowes for the inserter machine. The renewal is due on April 30, 2013 and a $100 buy-out would provide ownership of the machine. Previously, approximately $20,000 per year was paid for the lease payments. A maintenance agreement will cost $4,876.28 per year. Approximately 300,000 inserts have been processed and the estimate is the machine will handle 3 – 5 million. 60% of the usage is for property tax bills, the Auditor uses it for claim checks, the Assessor uses it, and it has been used for jury questionnaires.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the Maintenance Agreement with Pitney Bowes as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-13-CM – **Joint Resolution Approving Final Distribution of Remaining Assets for Wildcat Creek Solid Waste Management District**

Attorney Luhman said in 2012, the Tippecanoe County Commissioners entered into a joint agreement with the Clinton County Board of Commissioners for dissolution of the Wildcat Creek Solid Waste Management District. The process is now concluded and Resolution 2013-13-CM authorizes the Controller to disperse the remaining funds and close the account. Tippecanoe County will receive 80.4% of the funds; Clinton County will receive 19.6%. The Clinton County Board of Commissioners has adopted the joint Resolution.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve Resolution 2013-13-CM as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

WIC LEASE

WIC Director Colleen Batt requested final approval and signatures of the WIC lease at the Purdue West site. Attorney Luhman said the lease was previously approved by the Commissioners and also the Council.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the WIC lease as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Murtaugh announced the Ivy Tech Founders Day 50th Anniversary celebration is Friday, March 22, 2013. He congratulated them and thanked them for all the good things they do for the community.

REPORTS ON FILE

The following reports are on file in the Commissioner's office.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

PUBLIC COMMENT

As there were no public comments, Commissioner Knochel moved to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE COUNTY OF TIPPECANOE

David S. Byers, President

John L. Knochel, Vice President

Thomas P. Murtaugh, Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Weston, Auditor 04/01/2013