

**TIPPECANOE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
*September 6, 2016*

The Tippecanoe County Commissioners met on Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the Tippecanoe Room in the County Office Building. Commissioners present were: President David S. Byers, Vice President Tracy A. Brown and Member Thomas P. Murtaugh. Also present were: Attorney Doug Masson, Auditor Bob Plantenga, Commissioners' Assistant Paula Bennett, and Recording Secretary Tillie Hennigar.

***PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE***

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

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

August 17, 2016

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the August 17, 2016 meeting minutes as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

***PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS AND PAYROLL - Paula Bennett***

Commissioners' Assistant Bennett recommended the claims from August 17, 2016 through September 6, 2016, including payroll from August 26, 2016 be approved without exception.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Accounts Payable Vouchers and Payroll as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

***ORDINANCE 2016-18-CM - HUMAN RELATIONS ORDINANCE AMENDMENT***

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to hear Ordinance 2016-18-CM, Human Relations Ordinance Amendment, second by Commissioner Brown.

President Byers advised the public of the three minute time limit per speaker and asked each speaker to provide their name and address on the sign-in sheet when they approach the podium.

Attorney Masson said the Ordinance amends County Code Section 31.176. Currently, it sets the definition of discrimination, which is prohibited under the Code, on the basis of race, sex, religion, color, age, sexual orientation, disability, marital status, familial status, national origin, ancestry, or status as a veteran. The Ordinance adds *gender identity* and a definition of the term which tracts the City of Lafayette Ordinance, defined as *an individual's gender related to self-identity, self-image, appearance, expression, or behavioral characteristics regardless of whether the gender conforms to traditional definitions associated with the individual's sex assigned at birth*. The Ordinance also includes a previously undefined provision of *VETERAN STATUS*, defined as *A veteran of the armed forces of the United States; a member of the Indiana National Guard; and/or a member of a reserve component*. The definition of veteran status tracts the State Code.

President Byers invited public comment for those opposed to the Ordinance.

Jim Pratt – 821 Lazy Lane, Lafayette – Mr. Pratt stated his opposition is for three reasons: 1) some of the legislation has been offered in other parts of the country and there has been difficulty and challenges. It would be prudent for the Commissioners to save the potential legal costs by waiting to see if there is clear

guidance from other states and cities. 2) the intent is honorable and is meant to be warm and welcoming to as many people as possible but he believes it is chilling and unwelcoming, particularly to women and children. 3) the safety or lack of in public bathrooms - his daughters and wife would be uncomfortable with a man being in the same bathroom; bathrooms should be a safe place. He just viewed a Facebook page which listed public bathrooms as the third most common places to be assaulted.

Donn Brown – 1235 Meadowbrook Dr, Lafayette – Mr. Brown said many laws are based on subjective feelings as opposed to objective facts which is a dangerous territory. Where do we stop – where does it end? He asked the Commissioners to postpone the vote and separate the Veterans portion. The Veterans is a documented fact of someone who was in the military. He stated he briefly researched the history of the transgender community. There is a lot of disturbing, documented cases of violent crimes committed by the transgender community – against others trans genders and also women and children. In addition to postponing the vote and separating the Veterans portion, Mr. Brown asked the Commissioners to vote separately and do some research on trans genders if they have not done so. Personally, he does not want to go into a public bathroom with others, especially a woman.

Dr. Mark Dutton – 401 South St, Lafayette - Dr. Dutton said he has lived in Lafayette since 1989. He encouraged the Commissioners to consider they are representing the citizens. If the vote was presented to the City of Lafayette, he doesn't think the vote would be for a transgender bathroom. He doesn't want his granddaughter going into a bathroom with men and he doesn't want to walk into a bathroom with women. He has counseled many children and adults for sexual assault issues; the problems we have now will get worse. He asked the Commissioners to not pass the Ordinance.

Mary Hall – no address given – Ms. Hall thanked the Commissioners for the opportunity to speak on the issue, saying she is privileged to be an American with free speech. The Ordinance troubles her and makes her uncomfortable. If the Commissioners choose yes, there will be consequences and the young people in the public school system will be the ones to suffer those consequences. She quoted Abraham Lincoln who said “the philosophy of the school room in one generation will be the philosophy of government in the next”. Ms. Hall continued to provide the statistics of increased teen pregnancies, sexually transmitted diseases, and violent crimes along with the decline in SAT tests when prayer was removed from the schools. She asked the Commissioners vote no to the gender issue Ordinance.

Jean Hall – no address given – Mr. Hall asked why we need an Ordinance to allow gender-uncertain individuals access to restrooms designed for persons of physical construction unlike their own? Do we need to make the vast majority of our citizens extremely uncomfortable and even endanger them, just to placate a limited few who haven't emotionally accepted their physical being? Do we need to endanger and belittle our children by removing the safety, privacy and appropriate dignity provided by the restroom differentiation and separation that has been designed for use by persons of the same physical endowments? Why do we need an Ordinance? There are restroom facilities already in existence for any gender such as porta-toilets, medical offices, and hospitals. The big difference is those accommodations have privacy, security, and safety; unlike the public restroom. He asked the Commissioners to NOT pass the Ordinance. If they do, he asked they do it right and not take a band-aid approach.

Paul King – no address given – Mr. King stated he is a local pastor and also a professor. He affirmed with earlier statements and said it is important to not rush to judgement. There will be litigation, including schools and a number of other places. There will be economic impact – Pandora's box is being opened. As a pastor and professor he has also counseled those who have been sexually molested. He isn't suggesting every transgender is a molester and he does believe they need compassion to deal with the issues in their lives. As mentioned by the previous person, there are other ways of dealing with the issue. The Ordinance is unnecessary and potentially very harmful which could create financial and emotional repercussions.

David Carr – 103 Elvernan Dr, West Lafayette – Mr. Carr stated he has lived in the community for 41 years. He then read from the bible regarding the creation of man and man's dominion over earth and every living thing. The Commissioners are those who have been given dominion over the county and challenged to lead with righteousness. He encouraged the Commissioners to think carefully about how their leadership will be answerable to God and the community. He hopes they protect the rights and religions of all citizens of the county. Some persons have more difficulty accepting the situation they are born into. Compassion and protection is needed for those who question their identity and face hard circumstances but the general public should also be protected. He encouraged the Commissioners to vote down the limitation of the Ordinance.

Jeff Closson – 3504 Round Rock Circle, Lafayette – Mr. Closson said he moved back to Tippecanoe County eight years ago after living elsewhere for 32 years. He commended the leaders of the county and the cities for the positive changes during his absence. He shared a story about a community needing a new elementary school and the biggest challenge was directing the architect with restroom requirements. The decision in the end was to go slow and that is his suggestion for the Commissioners in the interest of saving money for the taxpayers...let the politics above the County level sort itself out.

President Byers invited public comment in favor of the Ordinance.

John Metzinger – 604 Lingle Terrace, Lafayette – Mr. Metzinger stated he is a lifelong resident of Tippecanoe County and serves as the Vice Chair of Tippecanoe County Human Relations Commission. The Commission was established according to State law with an Ordinance adopted in May, 2001 to serve three purposes: to provide all County citizens equal opportunity for employment, public accommodation, and housing; to encourage and promote mutual self-respect and understanding of each other by all groups in the County; and to promote the guarantee of equal rights to all citizens as afforded by the Ordinance of the County, the laws of the State, and the Constitution of the United States. This Ordinance should not be construed in a manner that violates the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment of the US Constitution or the Indiana Constitution with respect to the free exercise of religion.

Mr. Metzinger continued to say the Ordinance established the Commission, giving the Commission the following duties and power: 1) investigate claims on discrimination and employment 2) educate citizens on the issues of discrimination in order to increase good will and assure equal opportunities for all citizens. The Commission has examined the need to expand to include the categories being discussed today. The expansion would meet the following goals: foster a welcoming and inclusive community which recognizes the value of every person; recognizes the values of service men and women by encouraging respect and support in employment and housing; enhances the right to privacy for a population that is vulnerable to discrimination, harassment, and bullying; establishes a community standard of openness to all which creates a climate that increases Tippecanoe Counties competitive advantage for business with peer Indiana counties and across the nation. Similar Ordinances exist in Marion and Monroe Counties, along with 18-19 other Indiana cities. The community standard has already been established by West Lafayette (in 2010) and Purdue University. After six years of experience, many of the fears have not come to pass. The City of Lafayette could pass a similar Ordinance tonight. The Human Relations Commission urge the support of the County Commissioners as it's important the entire community continue to be a welcoming and inclusive place for all people.

Mary Finnegan – 501 S 3<sup>rd</sup>, Lafayette - Ms. Finnegan stated she represents Citizens for Civil Rights. More than ten years ago, she stood in front of the Commissioners and asked they pass a Human Relations ordinance. The only controversial part was the inclusion of sexual orientation. Today, it appears to be a repeat of the same – sexual predators and molesters, threatened legal action – it hasn't happened in West Lafayette and the threats of legal action may be exaggerated. Where does the Ordinance say it is a bathroom bill? It's a Human Relations Ordinance; not a bathroom bill. Transgenderism is not new, the idea that this will increase sexual predators and child molestation is false. There have been no transgender assaults in

restrooms in this country. On behalf of the Citizens for Civil Rights, please pass the Ordinance as it can only be good for the community. The more open and welcome we are, the better for the people and businesses and also the better chance to attract the best talent for Purdue.

Meredith Richmond – 106 Main St, Battle Ground – Ms. Richmond stated she is on the Tippecanoe County Human Relations Commission. She taught special education for approximately 20 years in the county, teaching disabled student. We accept learning disabled people even though it's not visible when we look at them. She is also a member of PFLAG- Parents, Family and Friends of Lesbians and Gays. There is an active chapter in this area - PFLAG, Lafayette, Tippecanoe County. She has encountered a lot of families and individuals with transgender people in their family and are struggling to get social support. Most people don't look behind the science of transgenderism. She also volunteers for a group call PRYSM – Positive Reflections of Young Sexual Minorities which oversees a local LGBTI youth group. The organization meets monthly and has been for over ten years and there have always been transgender kids in the group. If you think this is new; it's not. Those kids and older people have been using restrooms for the whole time. There will not be some craziness because of the Ordinance passing. She doesn't want to see a person who presents as a male go into a female bathroom but worse would be the person who presents as a female going into a boys or male bathroom. She hopes the Ordinance passes.

Richard Fudge – P.O. Box 59, Battle Ground – Mr. Fudge said he taught at Battle Ground Jr. High/Middle School for 36 years. Based on his perception and experience as a teacher, he fears how the “protection for all”, “justice for all” will be perceived if not passed. When kids are middle school age, many feel entitled to bully both verbally and physically those that seem different. There seems to be an acceptance that it is okay to beat up those who look too butch or feminine. He is glad the community has stepped up and said this type of behavior is unacceptable; we treat everybody with respect. An earlier gentleman speaker expressed concerns that transgenderism is perhaps a fanciful notion on behalf of an individual. No, it's a medical diagnosis that is established scientifically. There are citizens who perceive their gender that is different from their biological body starting in the early years of their life. Many communities have protection for transgender citizens and it hasn't created a crisis, in fact; it sends a message of decency and justice for all that we respect everybody.

Rick Puckett – 1104 Salem St, Lafayette – Mr. Puckett stated he is the President of PRIDE Lafayette and also the assistant pastor of Congress Street United Methodist Church. There are a number of pastors, faith leaders, and churches who stand behind the commitment. We have transgender individuals in our churches and community, we respect them and stand for them – they are amazing people. He urged the Ordinance be passed.

Commissioner Murtaugh thanked all the participants. He said he understands the concern about the restroom issue but this is not a restroom bill. In regard to things that could happen in any public restroom on any given day at any given time; this does not change that in any way, shape, or form. That is visible by Marion County, Monroe County, the other 18 municipalities, including West Lafayette that passed the Ordinance without a rise in incidents. It is important that we as a community be welcoming because it is the right thing to do and also for economic development and to be consistent with Lafayette, Purdue University, and West Lafayette. For those reasons, he supports the Ordinance.

Commissioner Byers said he wonders why everyone has to be given a title. He will also be supporting the Ordinance but thinks it is unfortunate the Ordinance has to be added versus simply saying we don't discriminate.

Auditor Plantenga recorded the vote.

Byers

Aye

Brown                      Aye  
Murtaugh                  Aye

Ordinance 2016-18-CM passed 3-0 on first reading.

President Byers stated the second reading of the Ordinance will occur on Monday, September 19, 2016.

*AREA PLAN- Sallie Fahey*

**Subdivision Variance – S-4613–Avalon Bluff Subdivision, Section 2 (Major-Preliminary Plat)**

Area Plan Director Fahey said the developer of Avalon Bluff Section 2 filed for primary approval with the Area Plan Commission. Included in the application is a request for the Plan Commission to vary one section of the subdivision ordinance. In order to do that, the Commissioners must make a recommendation to the Plan Commission. It involves two lots, tract 1 and 2, both front on Concord Road. Normally, the ordinance would require appropriate right-of-way and also improvement of the road; however, the two tracts are the only ones in the entire subdivision fronting the road. The request is a variance to waive the half-width pavement improvements of two lots with frontage along CR 250 E.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve S-4613 Avalon Bluff Subdivision Variance, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

*HIGHWAY- Opal Kuhl*

**LPA Agreement - Indiana Department of Transportation and Tippecanoe County for Lindberg Road**

Highway Director Kuhl presented an LPA Agreement with INDOT for the construction of Lindberg Road. The construction project will be after August, 2017. The amount of the construction is estimated to be \$2,557,000 with the normal 80% federal and 20% local.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the LPA Agreement as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

**Warranty Deed – Tippecanoe County Lindberg Road and Klondike Road Intersection Project – Parcel 2, 2A, 2B – The Emma K.C. Tse Revocable Living Trust**

Director Kuhl presented a Warranty Deed for the intersection of Lindberg Road and Klondike Road, Parcel 2, 2A, 2B – the Emma K.C. Revocable Trust in the amount of \$23,000.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Warranty Deed for the Emma K.C. Revocable Living Trust for the Lindberg Road and Klondike Road intersection project as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

**Warranty Deed – Tippecanoe County Lindberg Road and Klondike Road Intersection Project – Parcel 4 – Spring Valley Management, LLC.**

Director Kuhl presented a Warranty Deed for Parcel 4 at the intersection of Lindberg and Klondike Roads for Spring Valley Management, LLC in the amount of \$275,000. This parcel is a total take with surplus property to sell at a later.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Warranty Deed for the Lindberg and Klondike project for Parcel 4, Spring Valley Management, LLC in the amount of \$275,000 as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

**Warranty Deed–Tippecanoe County Klondike Road Project–Parcel 7–Craig R. and Darci A. DeCamp**

Director Kuhl presented a Warranty Deed for Parcel 7, Craig R. and Darci A. DeCamp, husband and wife in the amount of \$25,350.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Warranty Deed for Parcel 7, Craig R. and Darci A. DeCamp in the amount of \$25,350 as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

**Temporary Easement Grant – Tippecanoe County Klondike Road Project – Parcel 7A – Craig R. and Darci A. DeCamp**

Director Kuhl presented a Temporary Easement Grant for Parcel 7A for driveway construction for the Decamps in the amount of \$250.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Temporary Easement Grant for Parcel 7A, DeCamp in the amount of \$250 as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

**Partial Release of Mortgage – Tippecanoe County Klondike Road Project – Parcel 7 – Craig R. and Darci A. DeCamp**

Director Kuhl said Parcel 7 also has a Partial Release of Mortgage for the Decamps from Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Partial Release of Mortgage for Parcel 7 as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

**Consent to Easement – Tippecanoe County Klondike Road Project - Parcel 7 – Craig R. and Darci A. DeCamp**

Director Kuhl presented a Consent to Easement, also for Parcel 7 which includes the signature from the mortgage company.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Consent to Easement for Parcel 7 as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

**Warranty Deed – Tippecanoe County Klondike Road Project – Parcel 27 – Santefort Van Der Noord (SVDN), LLC, an Indiana Limited Liability Company**

Director Kuhl presented a Warranty Deed for the Klondike Road project for Parcel 27, Santefort Van Der Noord, LLC in the amount of \$54,720.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Warranty Deed for Parcel 27, Santefort Van Der Noord, LLC in the amount of \$54,720 as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

**Temporary Easement Grant–Tippecanoe County Klondike Road Project–Parcel 27A, 27B–Santefort Van Der Noord (SVDN), LLC, an Indiana Limited Liability Company**

Director Kuhl presented a Temporary Easement Grant for Parcel 27A and 27B for SVDN in the amount of \$380.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Temporary Easement Grant for Parcel 27A and 27B in the amount of \$380 as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

**Warranty Deed – Tippecanoe County Lindberg Road Project – Parcel 54 – Randall O. and Kathleen M. Strakis**

Director Kuhl said the Warranty Deed is for Parcel 54 on Lindberg Road for Randall O. and Kathleen M. Strakis in the amount of \$37,000.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Warranty Deed for Parcel 54, Randall O. and Kathleen M. Strakis in the amount of \$37,000 as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

**Partial Mortgage Release – Tippecanoe County Lindberg Road Project – Parcel 54 – Randall O. and Kathleen M. Strakis**

Director Kuhl presented a Partial Mortgage Release for Parcel 54, Strakis.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Partial Mortgage Release for Strakis, Parcel 54 as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

**Warranty Deed – Tippecanoe County Lindberg Road Project – Parcel 60 – John E., Jr. and Sondra Dee Townsend and Timothy Wayne and Joy Elaine Townsend**

Director Kuhl presented a Warranty Deed for Parcel 60 for John E., Jr., Sondra Dee, Timothy Wayne, and Joy Elaine Townsend in the amount of \$4,700.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Warranty Deed for John and Sondra Dee Townsend and Timothy and Joy Elaine Townsend for \$4,700 as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

**Continuation Certificate – American Paving and Asphalt, Inc. in the amount of \$5,000 for work in the right-of-way**

Director Kuhl presented a Continuation Certificate from American Paving and Asphalt for \$5,000 to do work in the right-of-way.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Continuation Certificate for American Paving and Asphalt for work in the right-of-way as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

***YOUTH SERVICES- Rebecca Humphrey***  
**Sponsorship Agreement for Red Ribbon Week**

Youth Services Director Humphrey requested approval of a Sponsorship Agreement for Red Ribbon Week which will start October 23, 2016. She asked for permission to decorate the Court House with red ribbons stating she will be on-site for the placement of the ribbons.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Sponsorship Agreement for Youth Services and Red Ribbon Week in October as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Attorney Masson stated he spoke with Director Humphrey regarding issues. This is an anti-drug message the County is endorsing as its own, it's one message shared with those being sponsored, and set-up is controlled. He believes this is on solid ground although we will have to wait to see if the Courts agree; it does not put the County in any worse position.

### **Purdue University Work-Study Program Agreement**

Director Humphrey requested approval of a Purdue University Work-Study Program Agreement. Purdue provides an opportunity for students to tutor the kids at Cary Home at a reduced rate. Purdue would pay 70% and Cary Home would pay 30%.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Purdue University Work-Study Program Agreement as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

### **Addendum to the Safe Place Contract**

Director Humphrey presented an addendum to the MOU with Safe Place; the areas where youth can come and have a responsible adult help them. The addendum establishes some tracking about the youth who utilize Safe Place.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Addendum to the Safe Place Contract as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

### *WIC- Alicia Keen*

#### **Extension of Lease for West Lafayette WIC location**

WIC Director Keen requested approval of the Lease extension for the West Lafayette location for October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017. The WIC grant has been approved. The location is smaller and very busy but their current space is sufficient.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the extension of the lease for the West Lafayette WIC location as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

### *HUMAN RESOURCES- Shirley Mennen*

#### **Hoosier S.T.A.R.T. Amendment Agreement, Roth option**

Human Resources Director Mennen presented an amendment to the State of Indiana Public Employee Deferred Compensation Plan (Hoosier S.T.A.R.T.) to permit a Roth option for eligible employees effective October 1, 2016.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Hoosier S.T.A.R.T. Amendment offering a Roth option as presented, contingent on review and approval by Attorney Masson, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

### **COURT SERVICES**

#### **New Position**



President Byers stated the proposal is to add a new Evaluator position and eliminate the Caseworker position. The two people completing evaluations would be classified the same and doing the same work. Judge Persin agrees with the decision. Commissioner Murtaugh said Court Services has been through a lot of transition and he thanked President Byers, Judge Persin, Councilmember Siegrist, and others for all their hard work.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the addition of the Evaluator position and eliminate the Caseworker through Court Services as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

### ***PROPOSED 2017 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE***

Commissioner Brown said the Holiday Schedule is basically the same as in the past, following the State schedule. To be more consistent with local government, President's Day, which falls on Monday, February 20, 2017, was added back in. President Byers added the Election Day holidays will probably be eliminated beginning in 2018.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the 2017 Holiday Schedule as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

### ***GRANTS- Sharon Hutchison***

#### **Permission to Accept**

Grant Facilitator Hutchison requested permission to accept a grant for TEMA in the amount of \$66,863 from Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) for 2015 Salary Reimbursement for Emergency Management positions. This will be 50% of their salary from 2015 for three positions in the TEMA office. Our match will be the fringe and the other 50%.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the acceptance of the grant for TEMA for \$66,863 for the 2015 Salary Reimbursement as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Grant Facilitator Hutchison requested permission to accept a grant for the Drug Free Coalition for \$125,000 from Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The grant is a continuation in year 9 of 10.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the acceptance of the \$125,000 for the Drug Free Coalition from SAMHSA as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

### ***CHANGE ORDER - Fairgrounds***

#### **Announcer's Stand and ADA Restrooms**

Commissioner Murtaugh presented a Change Order for the Announcer's Stand and the ADA Restrooms at the Fairgrounds saying it is a net increase of \$3,124. The Change Order is for the installation of gas regulators; repiping a gas meter line; hook up a water meter and 2 curb stops; and tie the gas line from Announcer's Stand to the tee.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Change Order as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

Commissioner Murtaugh presented a second Change Order for the Announcer's Stand and ADA Restrooms in the amount of \$3,990 for an air unit and associated ductwork.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Change Order at the Fairgrounds as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

Commissioner Murtaugh presented a third Change Order for the Announcer's Stand and ADA Restrooms in the amount of \$2,118 for material to reinforce stairs and a ballard in front of the gas meter; remove an electrical pole; and haul a load to the transfer station.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Change Order at the Fairgrounds as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

#### ***CHANGE ORDER – 111 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street***

Commissioner Murtaugh presented a Change Order for the 111 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street building with a net amount of \$3,690 which included an Add and a Deduct. The Change Order is to re-cut sprinkler heads on 4<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> to adjust the ceiling heights as required by ADA.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Change Order for 111 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

#### ***APPLICATION(S) to VILLA***

- Commissioner Brown recommended approval of two Applications to the Tippecanoe Villa for Deana Jo Verwers and Linda Marie Halsema, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

#### ***UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS***

1) Commissioner Murtaugh announced that Jason Huber, the new appointment as the Director of Community Corrections is in attendance today. His appointment will be effective October 3, 2016.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the appointment of Jason Huber as the Executive Director of Community Corrections, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

2) Treasurer Jennifer Weston stated she just received the agreement for the two year banking services. Last week, the Board of Finance approved the primary banking services with Lafayette Bank & Trust. The agreement is dated September 15, 2016, running through September 15, 2018. September 15<sup>th</sup> is prior to the next Commissioner meeting; she requested approval subject to review by Attorney Masson.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Banking Services Agreement with Lafayette Bank & Trust which will run from September 15, 2016 through September 15, 2018, contingent on approval of council, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

3) Attorney Masson said he reviewed the Hoosier S.T.A.R.T. Amendment Agreement with the Roth option and it looks fine.

4) Commissioner Murtaugh announced there will be a special event, named by Paula as *A Downtown Park, Art, Grill and Chill Fund Raiser* on Monday, September 19 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the roof of the County garage. In cooperation with the Tippecanoe Arts Federation, the public art, painted on the roof level will be unveiled. The event will also be a fundraiser for the United Way campaign. The public is invited.

#### ***REPORTS ON FILE***

The following reports will be on file in the Commissioners' office:

Building Commission  
 Central Mail and Duplicating  
 Treasurer  
 Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission

***PUBLIC COMMENT***

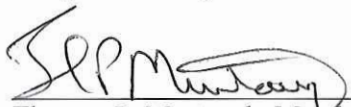
As there were no public comments, Commissioner Brown moved to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.


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 THE COUNTY OF TIPPECANOE

  
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 Thomas P. Murtaugh, Member

ATTEST:

  
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 Robert A. Plantenga, Auditor 10/03/2016

Minutes prepared by Tillie Hennigar, Auditor Administrative Assistant

