TIPPECANOE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
February 16, 2015

The Tippecanoe County Commissioners met on Monday, February 16, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Tippecanoe Room in the County Office Building. Commissioners present were: President Thomas P. Murtaugh, Vice President David S. Byers and Commissioner Tracy A. Brown. Also present were: Attorney Doug Masson, Auditor Bob Plantenga, Commissioners' Assistant Paula Bennett, and Recording Secretary Tillie Hennigar.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
February 2, 2015

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held February 2, 2015, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS AND PAYROLL

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the accounts payable vouchers for February 4 through February 16, 2015 and payroll vouchers for February 13, 2015 as submitted without exception, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

PUBLIC DEFENDER - *Amy Hutchison*
Service Agreements for Experts

Public Defender Hutchison requested approval of the renewal of seven Professional Services Agreements for individuals the Public Defender utilizes on an ongoing basis. The agreements are with Carol Ott; John H. Hunter; Jeffrey Wendt, PhD; International Investigators; Blackbird Clinical Services; Neil R. Remaklus; and Maria Baldini-Potermin & Associates, P.C. law firm.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the seven agreements as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

AUDITOR- *Bob Plantenga*
Bond Disclosure

Auditor Plantenga said the County Bonds require annual financial disclosure to the bond rating agencies. The last few years, Financial Solutions Group, Inc. (FSG) have prepared the documents to submit the financial status supporting the current bonds. Without the disclosure agreements, or with a negative report; it could impact future bond rating. The agreement is required for FSG to continue disclosure filings.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the agreement for bond disclosure filings as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

CARY HOME FOR CHILDREN - *Rebecca Humphrey*
Sponsorship Agreement for Tippecanoe Arts Federation

Cary Home Director Humphrey requested approval of a Sponsorship Agreement with Cary Home for Children and Tippecanoe Arts Federation. The Arts Federation would like to hold an event in the parking garage on April 18th from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. with set-up at 11:00 a.m. The event was held in the parking garage in 2014.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the Sponsorship Agreement for Tippecanoe Arts Federation as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2015-09-CM – ESTABLISHING A COMMISSIONERS' SALE TO SELL TAX SALE CERTIFICATES FOR PROPERTIES DELINQUENT IN PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES

Attorney Masson said Resolution 2015-09-CM would establish intent to conduct a Commissioners' sale to sell Tax Sale Certificates for properties that are severely delinquent in payment of property taxes. The properties have gone through the tax sale process without being sold. This process will allow the Commissioners to sell their interest and return the properties to the tax roll. President Murtaugh said the sale will be on April 15, 2015; the time has not been established.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 2015-09-CM as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2015-10-CM – AUTHORIZING THE ASSIGNMENT OF CERTAIN TAX SALE CERTIFICATES TO THE CITY OF LAFAYETTE

Attorney Masson said Resolution 2015-10-CM authorizes the assignment of certain tax sale certificates to the City of Lafayette. The properties are listed on Exhibit A. If adopted, the City of Lafayette would need to adopt a similar resolution to accept the assignment and take over the processing of the Tax Sale Certificates.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve Resolution 2015-10-CM authorizing the assignment of certain tax sale certificates to the City of Lafayette as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2015-11-CM - WAYNE TOWNSHIP BOARD VACANCY

Attorney Masson said there is a vacancy on the Wayne Township Board due to former board member David Buckles being ineligible to serve for a new term since he is a Wayne Township volunteer firefighter. The vacancy has existed for more than 30 days and the Commissioners are charged with filling the vacancy. President Murtaugh said Teresa Luttrell, a resident of Wayne Township, has expressed an interest in filling the position. Ms. Luttrell is a medical staff coordinator for Indiana Emergency Care, a lifelong resident of West Point, and a former Tippecanoe County Court Reporter. President Murtaugh recommended approval of the appointment.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve Resolution 2015-11-CM appointing Teresa Luttrell to the Wayne Township Board vacancy as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

ADDENDUM TO PARKING GARAGE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

President Murtaugh said the Addendum to the Parking Garage Management Agreement is to clean up the addendum that was not available in January. The addendum increases the management fee as of January 1, 2015 from $4,350 to $4,800 per month. The addendum also extends the term of the agreement from December 31, 2014 to December 31, 2015.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the addendum to the parking garage management agreement as presented, second by Commissioner Brown; motion carried.

APPOINTMENT TO COMMON WAGE BOARD *- none*

UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS *- none*

REPORTS ON FILE

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

- Clerk of the Circuit Court
- Health Department
- Public Library
- Treasurer

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

Meeting adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE COUNTY OF TIPPECANOE

Thomas P. Murtaugh, President

David S. Byers, Vice President

Tracy A. Brown, Member

ATTEST:

Robert A Plantenga, Auditor 03/02/2015

Minutes prepared by Tillie Hennigar, Auditor Administrative Assistant