TIPPECANOE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
March 19, 2012

The Tippecanoe County Commissioners met on Monday, March 19, 2012 at 10:00 a. m. in the Tippecanoe Room in the County Office Building. Commissioners present were: President Thomas P. Murtaugh, Vice President John L. Knochel, and Commissioner David Byers. Also present were: Attorney David W. Luhman, Auditor Jennifer Weston, Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist, and Secretary Dawn Rivera.

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

PRESENTATION OF PLAQUES TO EVONIK DEGUSSA AND THE TOWN OF SHADELEND FOR BRIDGE U209

Highway Director Opal Kuhl said the bridge U209 project is the bridge in front of Evonik, which was a cooperative effort between the town of Shadeland and Evonik. The town of Shadeland paid for the bridge approaches and Evonik donated the right-of-way. Mike Obergfell, of USI Consultants, said the American Consulting Engineers Council presented the project a state finalist award at a recent banquet. He thanked the County for their support and Milestone Contractors for their work. Through the cooperation of the town of Shadeland and Evonik, the project is a good addition to the area.

President Murtaugh said the plaques presented at the banquet will be forwarded to the town of Shadeland and Evonik. This project is another perfect example of cooperation between all parties and he encouraged everyone to go see the bridge.

PROCLAMATION – Severe Weather Awareness Week

Carol Shelby, Purdue University; Smokey Anderson, Tippecanoe Emergency Management Advisory Council Director; Tim Heath, West Lafayette Fire Department Chief; and President Murtaugh read the Proclamation declaring March 18-24, 2012 "Severe Weather Awareness Week" for Tippecanoe County City of Lafayette, City of West Lafayette, and Purdue University.

Director Anderson provided an update on the recent tornados in southern Indiana. The District 4 Task Force of 62 people and over 30 vehicles convoyed to Washington County from Friday night through Sunday night. Two people remain who are assisting the State with financing. The task force was the first in Indiana to ever deploy all elements of equipment, supplies, and training. He stressed the importance of preparedness for a similar situation, and clarified the meaning of the siren testing to be performed this week.

Commissioner Byers thanked Director Anderson and said it is an honor that the District 4 group was selected, indicating the leadership of our community. This one incident is all it takes to justify the accumulated equipment and supplies.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held March 5, 2012, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS FOR COURTHOUSE LIMESTONE BIDS

President Murtaugh said this project is for repairs to the Courthouse limestone.

Attorney Luhman opened and read the following bids:

COMPANY NAME	BASE BID	ALT 1	ALT 2	ALT 3	ALT 4	ALT 5
General Restoration Corporation	$179,400	+121,300	+125,600	+172,100	+37,920	+34,200
Blakley Corporation	$222,300	+ 81,600	+ 90,900	+194,000	+61,000	+33,800
Wells Masonry Restoration, Inc.	$338,700	+175,300	+171,600	+285,700	+86,400	+93,800
Glenroy Construction, Inc.	$232,600	+116,700	+147,000	+155,200	+96,400	+73,100

Attorney Luhman recommended taking the bids under advisement for review and compliance of the bid specifications.

President Murtaugh explained the base bid is for the North Facad; Alternate 1 is the West Elevation; Alternate 2 is the East Elevation; Alternate 3 is the South Elevation; Alternate 4 is Chimney Repairs; and Alternate 5 is the Perimeter Wall.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to take the bids for the Courthouse limestone repairs under advisement as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the accounts payable vouchers for March 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, and 19, 2012 as submitted with no exception, second by President Byers; motion carried.

HIGHWAY - Opal Kuhl
Contract for Engineering Services from Beam, Longest and Neff, L.L.C. Consulting Engineers for CR 675 East Drainage Improvement Project

Director Kuhl said the contract is for engineering services of a survey and design work for an erosion problem on CR 675 East. The survey is $12,800 and the design is $16,600. "If needed, not to exceed" items are also included for right-of-way, $9,500; soils, $5,900; and assistance with bidding documents, $2,500.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the contract with Beam, Longest, and Neff for the project on CR 675, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

CARY HOME/YOUTH SERVICES – Rebecca Humphrey
RFP for Residential Services for DCS

Director Humphrey said to be licensed as a residential treatment facility, Cary Home has to contract with the Department of Child Services (DCS). Beginning in January, 2013, to be contracted with DCS, Cary Home will need to complete a response to proposals. Approval is requested to submit the proposal for residential service which is due April 17.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the RFP request as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENTS
'Round the Fountain Art Fair

Janie Peters requested approval of a Sponsorship Agreement for the 39th Annual 'Round the Fountain Art Fair, scheduled for Saturday, May 26, 2012. Security has been arranged and she will meet with the Parks Department to confirm trees are trimmed for the set-up of tents.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the 'Round the Fountain Art Fair agreement, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

Child Abuse Prevention Month

Cheryl Wolfschlag, CASA Volunteer Coordinator, said this is the 25th year in Tippecanoe County for CASA. April is Child Abuse Prevention Month beginning with a Proclamation on April 2nd at the Courthouse. Approval is requested to place blue ribbons around the Courthouse. A CASA appreciation dinner will be held on April 16th at Lafayette Theatre. April 26th, a Tippecanoe Child Abuse Prevention luncheon will be held at the YWCA. There are 86 volunteers with current cases representing 190 children. There are 136 sworn in available volunteers who may not have a case for various reasons. An additional class of 9 will be sworn in April 9. Currently, 21 children are on a waiting list.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the sponsorship as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

Contract for Fairgrounds A/C Project

Commissioner Byers said the contract is with Tecton Construction Management, Inc. to add air conditioning to the Home Economic building, and possibly the Exhibit Hall building. The proposal is $12,850 for design services; $2,280 for bidding services; and $12,200 for construction supervision. Funding for this project is from various donations and money left over from the cattle barn project. Adding A/C to the two buildings should increase the rental income.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the contract, second by Commissioner Knochel; motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2012-15-CM
Amending County Clerk Fees

Clerk Christa Coffey said the Ordinance covers: the $.50 the County receives on each transaction of the Courthouse ATM, directing it to the General Fund; allows the Clerk's office to charge $7.00 for the preparation of the Sheriff Sale order, $6.00 goes to the General Fund and $1.00 into the Record Perpetuation Fund; and overpayment, if over $3.00, would be processed as an overpayment and returned. If under $3.00, it will be directed to the Record Perpetuation Fund. Council approval is required for use of the Record Perpetuation Fund.

President Murtaugh asked for public comment or comments from Commissioners. There were none.

Auditor Weston recorded the vote:

Byers	Aye
Knochel	Aye
Murtaugh	Aye

Ordinance 2012-15-CM passed 3-0 on first reading.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to suspend the rules and hear Ordinance 2012-15-CM on second reading, second by Commissioner Byers.

  President Murtaugh stated he opposed the motion to suspend the rules because a second reading would allow for additional feedback.

  Since the vote to suspend the rules was not unanimous, Ordinance 2012-15-CM will be heard April 2, 2012 on second reading.

UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS – none

REPORTS ON FILE

The following reports are on file in the Commissioner's Office:

- Clerk of Circuit Court
- Public Library

PUBLIC COMMENT – none

Commissioner Knochel moved to adjourn.

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David S. Byers, Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Weston, Auditor 4-2-12