

TIPPECANOE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
November 17, 2008

The Tippecanoe County Commissioners met on Monday, November 17, 2008 at 10:00 a. m. in the Tippecanoe Room in the County Office Building. Commissioners present were: President Ruth E. Shedd, Vice President John L. Knochel, and Member KD Benson. Also present were: Attorney Dave Luhman, Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist, Auditor Jennifer Weston, and Secretary Jennifer Prange.

Commissioner Ruth Shedd called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist recommended approval of accounts payable vouchers for November 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 17, 2008 as submitted with no exceptions. An additional claim was submitted for the purchase of the property located on Duncan Road in the amount of \$1,219,055.06.

- Commissioner Benson moved to approve accounts payable vouchers to include the additional claim for the Duncan Road property, second by Commissioner Knochel; motion carried.

PROCLAMATION - Lafayette Supplier Diversity Development

Larry Pherson, Lafayette Supplier Diversity Development Coalition presented the proclamation which endorses new relationships and partnerships committed to diversity through the supplier base for the business and community.

Supplier Diversity Development Coalition of Greater Lafayette Proclamation

Whereas, growth and development of women and minority businesses are essential in fostering a strong local economy,

And

Whereas, the Supplier Diversity Development Coalition of Greater Lafayette, is devoted to developing strategic alliances and enhancing opportunities for minority owned businesses,

And

Whereas, the coalition has formed strategic partnerships with private businesses, government agencies, and Purdue University work together to promote the success and longevity of minority business and enterprises

And

Whereas, it is through the efforts of this coalition that the business in Tippecanoe County have access and diversity programs, sources, and products

And

Whereas, the cities and county commend the coalition for its dedication to building a stronger community by promoting and engaging in diverse business development,

Now, therefore we, John Dennis, Mayor of West Lafayette, Tony Roswarski, Mayor of Lafayette, Ruth Shedd, Tippecanoe County Commissioner, John Knochel, Tippecanoe County Commissioner, and KD Benson, Tippecanoe County Commissioner, do hereby proclaim November 29, 2008, Supplier Diversity Days in honor of Supplier Diversity Development Coalition of Greater Lafayette.

HIGHWAY – Opal Kuhl

Director Opal Kuhl recommended approval of the PE Agreement with Stephen J. Christian & Associates for Wyandotte Rd. / Dayton Rd. Intersection Improvements. \$7,000 for study and report

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the PE Agreement with Stephen J. Christian & Associates as presented, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

A 3-Year Construction Maintenance Bond was recommended for approval with Milestone Contractors, L.P. for Market West Entrances on Genoa Drive in the amount of \$5000.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the 3-Year Construction Maintenance Bond with Milestone Contractors, L.P. as presented, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

REZONE

Z-2389 Jonathan Alan Swisher (R1 & A to A), Ordinance 2008-23-CM: Petitioner is requesting rezoning of 0.65 acres located a ¼ mile north of South River Road on the east side of CR 300 W (Newman Road) more specifically, 941 S. Newman Road, Wabash 23 (NW) 23-5.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to hear Rezone Z-2389, Jonathan Alan Swisher (R1 & A to A); Ordinance 2008-23-CM on first reading, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

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October 16, 2008
Ref. No.: 08-332

CERTIFICATION

RE: Z-2389—JONATHON ALAN SWISHER (R1 & A to A):
Petitioner is requesting rezoning of 0.65 acres located a ½ mile north of South River Road on the east side of CR 300 E (Newman Road) more specifically, 941 S. Newman Road, Wabash 23 (NW) 23-5.

Dear Commissioners:

As Secretary to the Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County, I do hereby certify that at a public hearing held on October 15, 2008 the Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County voted 13 yes - 0 no on the motion to rezone the subject real estate from R1 & A to A. Therefore, the Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County recommends to the Tippecanoe County Commissioners that the proposed rezoning ordinance be APPROVED for the property described in the attachment.

Public Notice has been given that this petition will be heard before the Tippecanoe County Commissioners at their November 3, 2008 regular meeting. Petitioners or their representatives must appear to present their case.

Sincerely,
/s/Sallie Dell Fahey

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Jonathon Swisher was present for the rezone.

Public Comment

None

Auditor Weston recorded the vote:

Benson	Yes
Knochel	Yes
Shedd	Yes

Ordinance 2008-23-CM passes 3-0.

SHERIFF- Tracy Brown

ORDINANCE 2008-25-CM, Establishing Deferred Compensation Plan for the Sheriff's Department

Chris Calloway and Elaine Beatty spoke regarding Deferred Compensation Plan for the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Calloway stated he and Ms. Betty have for several years worked to design a Deferred Compensation Plan to coincide with the Sheriff's Department pension plan. Mr. Calloway explained the officers have requested a supplemental plan to meet their retirement needs. A plan was created at minimal cost with the best compensation possible to be integrated with the pension plan. A yearly review will provide officers the opportunity to review with a professional to manage the plan.

Attorney Luhman stated Ordinance 2008-25-08 establishes the Sheriff's Department Deferred Compensation Plan and authorizes the Auditor to make deductions from the employees pay and contribute to the plan on their behalf.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve Ordinance 2008-25-CM establishing a Deferred Compensation Plan for the Sheriff's Department, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

Auditor Weston recorded the vote:

Benson	Yes
Knochel	Yes
Shedd	Yes

Ordinance 2008-25-CM passes on first reading 3-0.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to suspend the rules and hear Ordinance 2008-25-CM on second reading, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

Auditor Weston recorded the vote:

Benson	Yes
Knochel	Yes
Shedd	Yes

Ordinance 2008-25-CM passes on second and final reading.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT – Ron Cripe

Health Administrator Ron Cripe requested approval of a grant from Indiana Department of Health which will provide equipment to the Health Department for lead based paint testing.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to accept the grant from the Indiana Department of Health, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

Mr. Cripe requested approval for the WIC Peer Counseling Grant to fund a Bi-lingual Breast Feeding Counselor for the region.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to acceptance the grant funds for the WIC program, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

YOUTH SERVICES UPDATE - Rebecca Humphrey

Director Rebecca Humphrey reported a Pre-Bid meeting will be held on Thursday, November 20, 2008, in the Tippecanoe Room for the Juvenile Center project.

APPLICATION TO THE VILLA

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the application for Ronnie L. Jagers Sr. and Walter Jerry Asbury, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

APPOINTMENT HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BOARD

- Commissioner Knochel moved to appoint Robert Griffiths to the Hospital Authority Board, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

APPOINTMENT TO COMMON WAGE BOARD

- Commissioner Knochel moved to appoint Dave Lahr to the Purdue Research Foundation and Purdue Crew Team, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Benson reported the recent trip to New York for bond ratings regarding the Juvenile Center was successful. Information is expected from the bond rating agencies by December 11, 2008.

Steve May from Fifth Third Bank shared his interest in discussing the purchase of the bonds for the Juvenile Center. The purchase of bonds is steady in the area and explained rates are competitive and the Commissioners should consider all available options before selling the bond arrives.

REPORTS ON FILE

Veteran's Affairs
Tippecanoe Library
Mail & Duplicating

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Wright – West Point, shared his concern regarding the Juvenile Center. He doesn't believe the county is in a place to build the center. He stated the Tippecanoe County Amphitheater cost \$85,000 per year to operate and receives \$10,000 in revenue. His property taxes have increased and he pays taxes for county services the average taxpayer does not use.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to adjourn.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE COUNTY OF TIPPECANOE**



Ruth E. Shedd, President

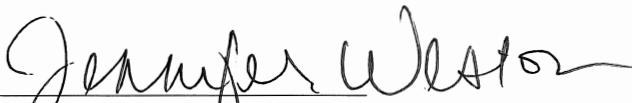


John L. Knochel, Vice President



KD Benson, Member

ATTEST:



Jennifer Weston, Auditor