



## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ALLEN

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### MINUTES

**Commissioners' Legislative Session  
10:00 a.m. Friday, January 9, 2015  
Council Chambers Courtroom – Citizens Square**

Commissioners Present:                      Therese Brown, Nelson Peters and Linda Bloom

Others Present:	Chris Cloud	Commissioners Office
	Mike Green	Commissioners Office
	Bill Fishering	County Attorney
	Robert Bolenbaugh	Purchasing
	Bill Hartman	Highway
	Kurt Gutman	

Commissioner Brown called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM. Commissioner Brown led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

- 1. Election of Officers.** Commissioner Brown made a motion to nominate Commissioner Peters for President. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Bloom made a motion to nominate Commissioner Brown for Vice President. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Brown made a motion that Commissioner Bloom be Secretary. Commissioner Bloom seconded that motion. Motion carried 3-0.
- 2. Approval of the minutes of December 19, 2014.** Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of December 19, 2014. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
- 3. Approval of Bread and Milk contract awards for 2015.** Robert Bolenbaugh, Purchasing Director, presented this item. He stated we have had a reduction in the quantities that we purchase with the outsourcing of the Juvenile Center. He stated he would like to award a contract to Prairie Farms for the milk products. This is a 63% increase. For the bread that would be another local supplier, Aunt Millies. We had two vendors compete for this business. The other was Klosterman out of Cincinnati. We will see a price increase of 3.5% on the bread. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Bread and Milk contract awards for 2015. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
- 4. Supplemental Agreement # 1 between the Board of Commissioners of the County of Allen and Indiana Department of Transportation for 2014-2016 County Bridge Inspection Contract, increasing federal aid for additional bridges, Project # 0006513.** Bill Hartman, Highway Director, presented this item. He stated that as years go by they change the requirements for bridge inspections and this is one of the changes. If bridges, in 3 categories – the condition of the decks, super structure and sub structure get a ranking of 4 or below out of 9, they are designated to be inspected every year instead of every other year. 45 of our bridges have come into this category. This will amount to a \$70,473 increase in this contract. Our share is 20% which is \$14,094. Commissioner Bloom made a motion to approve Supplemental Agreement # 1

between the Board of Commissioners of the County of Allen and Indiana Department of Transportation for 2014-2016 County Bridge Inspection Contract, increasing federal aid for additional bridges. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

- 5. Approval of Interagency Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Allen County Solid Waste Management District.** Chris Cloud, Executive Assistant, stated this is the longstanding agreement with the Solid Waste Management District where we basically share the use of Tony Burris and they reimburse the County for their portion of his salary. Commissioner Bloom made a motion to approve the Interagency Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Allen County Solid Waste Management District. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
- 6. Ratification of Approval of Volume Submitter Plan Adoption Agreement for new 401(a) retirement plan.** Commissioner Peters stated this is basically how the new plan for employees hired after December 30, 2014, who will no longer be eligible for the Public Employee Retirement Fund, is going to work. They will receive options under a new 457 401(a) plan. He stated he thinks this will give them every bit the opportunities that they have now with the defined benefit plan. This will be a defined contribution plan. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Ratification of Approval of Volume Submitter Plan Adoption Agreement for new 401(a) retirement plan. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
- 7. Approval of Contract for Legal Services between the Board of Commissioners and Butler, Fairman and Seufert.** Attorney Fishing stated that a couple of weeks ago the Commissioners approved a contract for legal services for Lafayette Center Road. This is the second contract for local services for the same project. It is identical except it carries no mileage payments. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Contract for Legal Services between the Board of Commissioners and Butler, Fairman and Seufert. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
- 8. Approval of appointments to various boards and commissions.** Chris Cloud, Executive Asst., presented this item. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the appointments to various boards and commissions. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
- 9. Approval of Plat for signature: Autumn Ridge Villas Section III.** Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Plat for signature: Autumn Ridge Villas Section III. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**10. Other Business:**

**Appointment to FWCS Common Construction Wage Committee.** Chris Cloud, Executive Assistant, stated the name before them today is Ben Johnston. Commissioner Bloom made a motion to approve appointment. Commissioner Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**Settlement Agreement and General Release.** Attorney Fishing explained that Community Corrections was sued by a former employee for discrimination. This is a settlement agreement of that. This particular issue was complicated by the changeover in management at Community Corrections and a number of people who were directly involved in the decision making process are now out of state which makes this an extremely expensive matter for the county to successfully litigate. Upon review of that, the County attorney staff would recommend this settlement. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Settlement Agreement and General Release. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**11. Approval to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading on any matter approved today and for which it may be deemed necessary for the Legislative Session of January 9, 2015.** Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the 2nd Reading on any matter approved today and for which it may be deemed necessary for the Legislative Session of January 9, 2015. Commissioner Bloom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**12. Comments from the Public.**

**13. Motion to Adjourn.** Meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

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