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MINUTES

Commissioners' Legislative Session

10:00 a.m. Friday, May 8, 2015

Council Chambers Courtroom – Citizens Square

Commissioners Present:	Nelson Peters and Therese Brown	
Commissioners Absent:	Linda Bloom	
Others Present:	Mike Green	Commissioners Office
	Chris Cloud	Commissioners Office
	Bill Fishing	County Attorney
	Anita Mather	Recorder
	Lori Rose	Director – Fort Wayne Trails
	Brian Schackow	Fort Wayne Trails
	Greg O'Daniel	Fort Wayne Trails
	Paul Lagemann	Fort Wayne Trails
	Mark Royse	DPS
	Brandon Forrester	Whitley County
	Bill Hartman	Highway Department

Commissioner Peters called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM. Commissioner Peters led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

- 1. Approval of the minutes of May 1, 2015.** Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of May 1, 2015. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 2. Approval of Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Aptera for creation of a hosted payment page on behalf of the Allen County Recorder.** Anita Mather, Recorder, presented this item. She stated they would like to offer on their website a payment page directly linked to their bank account instead of collecting \$30,000 in checks per month for their charge accounts. They would like to be able to offer the option to direct deposit into bank account. They would receive the money more timely and we wouldn't have to worry about bad checks. It will save them .14 cents in bank fees being charged to cash checks. The contract is for Aptera which is a locally owned business. They have done all the work on our website and we are comfortable with them. There is a \$4,300 one-time fee cost. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Aptera for creation of a hosted payment page on behalf of the Allen County Recorder. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 3. Approval of Fee for Service Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Fort Wayne Trails.** Lori Rose, Director Fort Wayne Trails, presented this item. Chris Cloud, Executive Assistant, stated this agreement is in the amount of \$100,000 with a 20 month arrangement. That gets us on the regular budget cycle so we don't have this occurring in the middle of the year so for budgeting next year we know exactly how much to budget. In unincorporated Allen County, as there are trail expenses related to developing trails in unincorporated Allen County, FW Trails can submit either a request for reimbursement or let you know they have an expense and it will come from this money. This is an up to agreement. Commissioner Peters asked Lori if there was a specific portion of the trail that she had in mind that this would in large part help fund. Lori Rose stated the top priority is the Pufferbelly corridor which is the north south artery which will eventually span 4 or 5 counties from Adams, Wells, Allen, Dekalb and Steuben. They are working

with all of them now. She stated they have just recently secured right of way in Allen county from the Carroll Corbin Road area up to Payton county park. The top priority over the next 20 months would be securing the corridor further to the north in the county limits. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Fee for Service Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Fort Wayne Trails. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

- 4. Approval of Resolution approving the issuance of bonds for GM refunding and I-469 Bluffton Road improvement.** Mark Royse, DPS, stated this has been an interesting process in what they are trying to accomplish in terms of the Redevelopment Commission refunding the GM bonds while at the same time issuing a new obligation to allow us to put improvements together to Pleasant Center Road east of Bluffton Road in order to better facilitate the development of the Brandenberger property. Mark stated the Resolution before them reflects all the changes that legal counsel has recommended to bond counsel. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Resolution approving the issuance of bonds for GM refunding and I-469 Bluffton Road improvement. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 5. Approval of Addendum to the Technical Assistance Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and the Community Research Institute.** Mark Royse, DPS, presented this item. He stated that back in 1997 Scott Harrold started putting together a nice model for evaluating projects from a cost benefit analysis standpoint. Over the years we have met several times. We incorporated things, taken things out and adjusted for commuting patterns. It is a very good model but the one thing that hasn't come out of that for the elected officials is to have something kind of idea of what they expect in terms of return on investment, over what period of time for public money being put into an incentive for private uses. This will cover the tax abatement program, the LEDGE agreement and TIF situations. Since the mid 1980's we already have had a contract with the Community Research Institute. This would be an addendum to that for an additional \$2,400 and they broke it down in the agreement in terms of the scope of services at \$70 per hour over 34 hours. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Addendum to the Technical Assistance Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and the Community Research Institute. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 6. Approval of Interlocal Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and the Board of Commissioners of Whitley County for bridge replacement on West County Line Rd, Bridge 76 over Big Indian Creek.** Bill Hartman, Highway Director, and Brandon Forrester, Whitley County Engineer, presented this item. Brandon stated that bridge 76 is located on our common county line road just north of Liberty Mills Road. Because of its structural rating it required annual as opposed to every other year inspection and the 2015 inspection revealed we needed to post it for 9 tons. That is not a good situation for that road as it is pretty heavily traveled. It is the shortest route between 24 and 30 short of I69. We have bumped it up on our list for replacement and because of mutual benefit to both counties we are requesting financial assistance. He stated they would propose to take care of everything administratively while working with Bill. He stated he has preliminary plans and a preliminary estimate at \$350,000 for design and construction. He stated he added to that \$50,000 for possible right of way acquisition and asphalt approach paving. He stated the plan right now is to work within the right of way. That cost should be significantly less than the not to exceed of \$280,000. He would estimate that at about \$360-\$365,000 total so 70% of that is about \$255,000 is requested from Allen County. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and the Board of Commissioners of Whitley County for bridge replacement on West County Line Rd, Bridge 76 over Big Indian Creek. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 7. Contract Extension with Three Rivers Barricade & Equipment Company, Inc. for Bid Reference #09-12, Furnish and Install Traffic Pavement Markings on Various Roads in Allen County for 2015, Project # 0002715.** Bill Hartman, Highway Director, this is an extension of the contract that started in 2012. Three Rivers Barricades agreed to extend their bid price from that year up to this year. It amounts to 579 miles of striping and works out to about .06 cents a foot. The contract amount is \$191,514.84. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the 7. Contract Extension with Three Rivers Barricade & Equipment Company, Inc. for Bid Reference #09-12, Furnish and Install Traffic Pavement Markings on Various Roads in Allen County for 2015, Project # 0002715. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

- 8. Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Light and Breuning for after-hours parking lot management during festival season.** Chris Cloud, Executive Assistant, stated that for a number of years Light and Breuning has operated out of our parking lots across from the jail as well as the one at 1 W. Superior and in exchange they give us half of their revenue. Annually we get about \$7-8,000 for this. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Light and Breuning for after-hours parking lot management during festival season. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 9. Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Aramark for event at Memorial Coliseum.** Chris Cloud, Executive Assistant, stated the contract amount is about \$600. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Aramark for event at Memorial Coliseum. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 10. Approval of claims submitted for payment.** Chris Cloud, Executive Assistant, stated this is for claims for the period of May 1 through May 7 which amount to \$7,345.27. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the claims submitted for payment. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 11. Other Business: Amendment of Bond Resolution**

County Attorney Bill Fishing stated that a couple of years ago the Commissioners approved a TIF bond for Franklin Electric which helped them in their financing of the construction of their new facility on Coverdale Road. That financing was primarily carried by Prudential. Prudential and Franklin have agreed to a modification in their loan agreement. That modification, since we are contributing money towards it, needs the Commissioners approval. The bond documents did allow for the Commissioners to approve such modifications and they are here requesting that that be done. What in essence has occurred is that they have allowed a re-orchestrating of the debt structure so that Prudential is no longer necessarily first in line and it involve multiple loans from international sources and all sorts of great stuff. Mr. Fishing recommended that the Commissioners ratify the amendment of the bond resolution. Commissioner Brown made a motion to ratify the amendment of the bond resolution. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 12. Approval to waive the 2nd Reading on any matter approved today and for which it may be deemed necessary for the Legislative Session of May 8, 2015.** Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve waiving the 2nd Reading on any matter approved today and for which it may be deemed necessary for the Legislative Session of May 8, 2015. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 13. Comments from the Public.**
- 14. Motion to Adjourn.** Meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

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