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MINUTES

Commissioners' Legislative Session

10:00 a.m. Friday, June 12, 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 Fishering	County Attorney
	Karl LaPan	NIIC
	Randy Brown	Memorial Coliseum
	Judge Stanley Levine	Superior Court
	Leslie Owen	Superior Court
	Mike Thornson	Highway Department
	Bill Etzler	ERI

Commissioner Peters called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM. Commissioner Peters led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

- 1. Approval of the minutes of June 5, 2015.** Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of June 5, 2015. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 2. Approval of agreement between the Board of Commissioners and the Northeast Indiana Innovation Center (NIIC) for entrepreneurial support.** Karl LaPan, President and CEO of NIIC, gave the update. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the agreement between the Board of Commissioners and the Northeast Indiana Innovation Center for entrepreneurial support. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 3. Approval of change order #1 to contract with Pro SVL, Inc for Memorial Coliseum. Cost \$2,117.26 (increase).** Randy Brown, EVP-General Manager of Memorial Coliseum, presented this item. He stated this change is due to technology. This piece of equipment was not available at the time we bid this. It gives us significant additional capabilities and actually will save us money when we do the next phase of upgrades around the building. It enables us to put multiple channels of digital communication through fiber. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the change order #1 to contract with Pro SVL, Inc for Memorial Coliseum. Cost \$2,117.26 (increase). Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 4. Approval of addition to the Allen County Code Title 12 (Financial) – Article 205 (Volunteer Advocates for Seniors and Incapacitated Adults Fund).** Stanley Levine, Administrative Judge of Senior Division, Allen Superior Court, presented this item. He stated this is a grant they are getting from the Indiana Supreme Court and there is matching funds from the Anthony Wayne Services Foundation. The grant is for \$38,500. He stated there is a need in this community from time to time for guardians to be appointed for either senior or incapacitated adults who are for various reasons (mental, physical or both) unable to manage their own affairs. We entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Mental Health America and Allen County Inc. They will serve as guardians. The volunteer lawyer program provides lawyers for the guardianships and also guardian's ad litem which are lawyers that will

actually represent the ward. This program will train and provide volunteers who will assist the Mental Health America and Allen County, Inc. in their role as guardianships. It is the last piece of the puzzle to provide this need. Essentially what will happen is the grant money from the Supreme Court will go to the Allen Superior Court and a separate fund will be set up for that. There is a budget of \$77,000 and they will approve on a quarterly basis what amounts to about 92% of the salary requirement of the director of this program. The MOU says that the bills and any reports will be submitted to Judge Levine as probate judge and Phil Houck who is the magistrate in charge of probate matters. It is a relatively simple pass through. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the addition to the Allen County Code Title 12 (Financial) – Article 205 (Volunteer Advocates for Seniors and Incapacitated Adults Fund). Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

5. **Consider Approval of Change Orders #8, #9 & #10 for Coverdale Rd Indianapolis Rd to Airport Expressway, INDOT Des #0500892, Contract #R-31776-A, LPA Project #03-294. In the Amount of \$31,338.57 (Increase).** Mike Thornson, Highway Department, presented this item. He stated change order #8 is for ditch, slope and some re-grading to help the people out there that will be better able to maintain and mow the ditches. Change order #9 involves some guardrail that had to be switched along the bridges and #10 is for striping contract. We are going with paint rather than thermal plastic. This is an 80/20 project so it is 80% federally funded. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve Change Orders #8, #9 & #10 for Coverdale Rd Indianapolis Rd to Airport Expressway, INDOT Des #0500892, Contract #R-31776-A, LPA Project #03-294. In the Amount of \$31,338.57 (Increase). Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
6. **Consider approval of Parcel #1, Statement of the Basis for Just Compensation for Diebold Road Improvements, Project #1200312, in the Amount of \$2,600.00, to acquire the proposed new road Right of Way for construction.** Mike Thornson, Highway Department, presented this item. He stated this is an AEP parcel. We hope to have the project out for bid this summer yet. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve Parcel #1, Statement of the Basis for Just Compensation for Diebold Road Improvements, Project #1200312, in the Amount of \$2,600.00, to acquire the proposed new road Right of Way for construction. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
7. **Approval of Sign Postings:**
 - a. **Post speed limit for Webster Road from Dawkins Rd to Paulding Rd – 50 MPH**
8. **Approval of Vacation Bank Request on behalf of Allen Circuit Court.** Chris Cloud, Executive Asst., stated this complies with County policy. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Vacation Bank Request on behalf of Allen Circuit Court. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
9. **Approval of claims submitted for payment.** Chris Cloud, Executive Asst., submitted the approval for claims. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
10. **Approval of clarification of PERF eligibility requirement of Allen County retirement benefits.**

Chris Cloud, Executive Asst., stated that in our current new retirement plan for new employees hired after December 31st it states that if they had once been in PERF they would go back in PERF. A situation arose where if an employee retires in PERF and then comes to work for the County they are no longer eligible to be in PERF. This clarifies this so that those employees who fit that bill, who are receiving retirement benefits from PERF, so therefore can't get more benefits in PERF, they will be eligible to participate in our 457/401(a) retirement plan instead. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the clarification of PERF eligibility requirement of Allen County retirement benefits. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

11. Other Business:

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 June 12, 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 June 12, 2015. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

13. Comments from the Public.

14. Motion to Adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Allen County does not discriminate because of disability in the admission to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or activities. The Human Resources Director has been designated to coordinate compliance with nondiscrimination requirements contained in Section 35.107 of the Department of Justice regulations. Information concerning the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the rights provided therein, and Allen County's ADA policy is available from the ADA Coordinator. Suggestions on how the County can better meet the needs of persons with disabilities may be submitted to the ADA coordinator at: Human Resources Department, 200 East Berry Street, Suite 380, Fort Wayne, IN 46802, or by phone at (260) 449-7217.