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MINUTES

Commissioners' Legislative Session

10:00 a.m. Friday, July 31, 2015

Council Chambers Courtroom – Citizens Square

Commissioners Present: Nelson Peters and Linda Bloom
Commissioners Absent: Therese Brown

Others Present: Mike Green Commissioners Office
Charlie
Bill Hartman Highway Department
Janette Jacquay HR
Logan Timbrock HR
Michael Farrar Clark Dietz Inc.

Commissioner Peters called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM. Commissioner Peters led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

- 1. Approval of the minutes of July 24, 2015.** Commissioner Bloom made a motion to approve the minutes of July 24, 2015. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 2. Approval of lease purchase agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Star Financial Bank on behalf of the Sheriff's Department.** Charlie Edwards, Chief Deputy, Sheriff's Dept. presented this item. He stated this is on the lease purchase of 5 Tahoe's over a period of 3 years with a \$1 purchase at the end. The money for this is coming from the jail commissary fund. Commissioner Peters stated he applauds the Sheriff's and the Sheriff's Department in looking for other avenues to fund these vehicle purchases. He stated he knows County Council has many times in the past suggested that that being a necessity in order to preserve general fund dollars. Commissioner Bloom made a motion to approve the lease purchase agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Star Financial Bank on behalf of the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 3. Approval of Change Order # 1 for Bid Ref # 04-15, Auburn Rd Bridge over Becketts Run, Project # 00-343. Cost - \$153,936.43 (Increase).** Bill Hartman, Highway Director, presented this item. He stated there is a laundry list of items that changed and increased on this project. In this contract modification there was a sanitary sewer tap, a 1 inch water service, a 4 inch storm sewer tap, some other storm sewers counted that were blind tapped and weren't accounted for until we actually did the excavation. There is a water main connection and earth work issues. Due to the rain we had a considerable amount of common excavation that we had in place and compacted and with the rains they got saturated and with the tight schedule that we have on this project to help accommodate the schools right there at the intersection of Auburn and Wallen, we had to haul that saturated material away and replace it which contributed a considerable amount to this increase. We had some street light bases that had to be deepened in order for those foundations to be stable because of the wetness of the season. Commissioner Peters asked what the urgency was at this point. What if you wait awhile and let the soil dry out and move forward without having to do any of these extra expenditures. Bill stated that generally they can do that but we have partnered with the City of Ft. Wayne and with the school there on that corner to commit to a schedule and a deadline. It's not only the school opening but there is also considerable haunted forest activity there with the boy scouts and we have committed to make sure that is all accommodated. That all ties in with the schedule with this project. Commissioner Peters asked if those dollars were coming out of the surtax

wheel-tax charges. Bill confirmed that. These will actually be incurred through the City of Fort Wayne and their surtax/wheeltax. Commissioner Bloom made a motion to approve Change Order # 1 for Bid Ref # 04-15, Auburn Rd Bridge over Becketts Run, Project # 00-343. Cost - \$153,936.43 (Increase). Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

4. Approval of claims submitted for payment. DEFERRED

5. Other Business:

Speed Limit change (lowered – from 55mph to 45mph) on Airport Expressway between Ernst Road and I-69. Bill Hartman, Highway Director, stated this in response to some emails that have been received about the congestion at that intersection and INDOT is going to indeed put a traffic signal in there next summer. In the meantime, we want to reduce the speed limit for about ½ a mile or so. Commissioner Bloom made a motion to approve the Speed Limit change (lowered – from 55mph to 45mph) on Airport Expressway between Ernst Road and I69. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

Plat for Approval for Saddle Creek Section 1 - Commissioner Bloom made a motion to approve the Plat. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

6. Approval to waive the 2nd Reading on any matter approved today and for which it may be deemed necessary for the Legislative Session of July 31, 2015. Commissioner Bloom 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 July 31, 2015. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

7. Comments from the Public.

8. Motion to Adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

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