

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
June 15, 2010

Monte Striegel called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. A silent prayer was observed.

Members Present: Commissioner Monte Striegel, Commissioner Jerry Hounshel,
Commissioner John Schafstall

Others Present: Sheriff Marc Lahrman, Attorney Susan Bevers and
Auditor Debra Eggeman

John Schafstall made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2010 meeting as presented. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Monte Striegel made a motion to approve the claims of May 5, 2010 and the Payroll dated June 04, 2010. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Daniel Bland appeared before Commissioner requesting vacation of an alley in Uniontown. Plan Commissioner Mike Weir explained that the Plan Commission conducted a public hearing on April 20, 2010, on a petition for vacation filed by Thomas Weaver, 2569 S. US 31 Crothersville Indiana. The Plan Commission gave a favorable recommendation of approval. President Monte Striegel opened the floor to anyone in objection or approval of the vacation. No one came forward to comment. John Schafstall made motion to approve. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Attorney Susan Bevers presented Ordinance 2010-13 which is an ordinance vacating the alley. John Schafstall made a motion to approve Ordinance 2010-13 on the second reading and waive the third reading. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Carol Davis with Aging and Community Services appeared before Commissioners requesting funding for the organization in the amount of \$16,042.00. Mrs. Davis gave a brief presentation on the various services provided. Jerry Hounshel made a motion to approve the request for 2011. Monte Striegel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Courthouse Custodian Jana Wessel informed Commissioners that the Watermelon Festival Committee has requested the use of the courtyard on June 27, 2010 from 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM. The Columbus City Band will be performing and vendors will be selling items. John Schafstall made a motion to approve the request. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Attorney Susan Bevers presented Ordinance 2010-14 which is an ordinance repealing Sections of the County Code and establishing a canine control ordinance. Debbie Hackman reported that stated that she has received favorable responses from the public concerning the amended ordinance. There was a concern on the tethering of animals. Sheriff Marc Lahrman stated that in

the event animals were tethered in a manner which prevents them from reaching food and water it will be taken care of by the Animal Control Officer. The new ordinance will take effect on July 15, 2010 to allow time for advertising. Monte Striegel made a motion to approve on second reading as amended. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Monte Striegel began the discussion on shifting monies from the TE monies which were originally for rebuilding the Bell Ford Bridge to Shieldstown Bridge. There were also two Historical Covered Bridge Grants for Bell Ford Bridge but this money cannot be transferred and will be returned for use on other projects. A representative from INDOT informed Commissioner that a decision on whether to transfer the monies must be made soon. Park and Recreation Board member Fleeta Arthur informed Commissioners that there is a lot being done to raise monies to rebuild the Bell Ford Bridge in Jackson County. Fleeta also submitted an email sent by Christopher Marston who is an Architect and Project Engineer in Washington DC which shows his desire to obtain funding for the Bell Ford Bridge. John Schafstall stated that he does not want to lose another covered bridge while dealing with the Bell Ford Bridge and feels the TE monies should go towards the remaining two covered bridges. John Schafstall made a motion directing Highway Supervisor Warren Martin to make the application to transfer the monies to the Shieldstown Covered Bridge. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Monte Striegel began the opening of bids for Contract Paving. Two (2) bids were received as follows:

Dave O'Mara Paving

District 1		District 2	
Project 1-1	\$22,410.00	Project 2-1	\$85,072.24
1-2	\$46,000.52	2-2	\$39,729.68
1-3	\$58,678.32	2-3	\$40,886.40
1-4	\$54,390.74	2-4	\$8,204.54
Total	\$181,479.58	2-5	\$10,515.68
		2-6	\$39,282.56
		2-7	\$43,329.99
		2-8	\$54,122.80
		2-9	\$57,229.80
		Total	\$378,373.69

District 3	
Project 3-1	\$26,317.90
3-2	\$83,644.00
3-3	\$44,481.88
3-4	\$94,326.74
3-5	\$21,648.10
3-6	\$55,949.06
Total	\$326,367.68

Milestone – Columbus

District 1		District 2	
Project 1-1	\$28,350.00	Project 2-1	\$107,586.80
1-2	\$52,066.75	2-2	\$38,279.38
1-3	\$67,154.70	2-3	\$38,748.00
1-4	\$63,861.15	2-4	\$10,967.10
Total	\$211,431.60	2-5	\$14,457.20
		2-6	\$37,970.40
		2-7	\$44,538.80
		2-8	\$64,877.60
		2-9	\$57,859.00
		Total	\$415,283.90

District 3	
Project 3-1	\$32,326.80
3-2	\$109,164.00
3-3	\$57,646.00
3-4	\$96,780.25
3-5	\$27,990.40
3-6	\$67,915.00
Total	\$392,122.45

Monte Striegel made a motion to take bids under advisement to allow time for Highway Supervisor to review. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Brad Isaacs with Janssen & Spaans Engineering gave an update on the work being done on the Medora Covered Bridge. Brad also requested approval of a change order for treatment under the asphalt. Monte Striegel made a motion to approve the request. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Highway Supervisor Warren Martin informed Commissioners that there have been problems with people wanting to walk across the bridge. The Highway Department will erect signage to take care of this problem. Commissioners reviewed color swatches for the bridge and all agreed that the bridge would be red and white.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin gave an update on the sub-divisions. Commissioners instructed Attorney Susan Bevers to compose a letter to owners of Westland Estate advising them to update their bonds.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin informed Commissioners that he will need to purchase a new copier. It was decided that the old copier from the Auditor's office would be transferred to the Highway office.

Human Resource Director Jeff Hubbard informed Commissioners that he is now working on the 2011 budget and will present for approval at the July meeting.

Plan Commissioner Mike Weir gave an update on the GIS mapping system.

Robert Shepherd appeared before Commissioners informing them that traffic is getting into areas of Knabb Cemetery located on 800 N, 500 E. Commissioners instructed Highway Supervisor Warren Martin to look at the area and report back to the Commissioners at the next scheduled meeting.

The meeting recessed until July 6, 2010 at 6:00 PM.

Monte Striegel – President

Jerry Hounshel

John Schafsstall

