

## HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING AUGUST 18, 2014

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, August 18, 2014, at 8:30 a.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Administration Center. Those in attendance included President Paul Wyman, Vice President Tyler Moore, and Member Brad Bray. Also in attendance were County Attorney Larry Murrell and Auditor Martha Lake.

The meeting was called to order by Sheriff Steve Rogers and conducted by President Wyman. Mr. Bray led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Mr. Moore offered a word of prayer.

### IN THE APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the Regular Meeting dated August 4, 2014, having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved on a motion made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

The minutes of the July 31, 2014 Executive Session were submitted. Those in attendance included Commissioners Paul Wyman, Tyler Moore and Brad Bray. Also in attendance were Attorneys Rick Hall, Mary Solada, and Larry Murrell; representatives and agents of e.ON Climate and Renewables. The purpose of the meeting was to “conduct interviews and negotiations...with agents of industrial or commercial prospects”. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve the minutes of the July 31, 2014 Executive Session as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

The minutes of the August 7, 2014, Executive Session were submitted. Those in attendance included Commissioners Paul Wyman, Tyler Moore, and Brad Bray; County Attorney Larry Murrell; and representatives and agents of e.ON Climate and Renewables, joined the session by phone. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss strategy with respect to litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing. The minutes of the August 7, 2014, Executive Session were approved on a motion made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray, and carried.

The minutes of the August 14, 2014, Special Session were submitted. The purpose of the Special Session was (1) the adoption of proposed order establishing new precincts in Howard County; (2) Consideration of matters pertaining to the Wildcat Wind Farm project; and (3) any other matter requiring immediate action by the Board. A motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray, and carried to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2014, Special Session as submitted.

### IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

#### **SHERIFF DEPARTMENT:**

Captain Jerry Asher reminded the Commissioners that at the August 4<sup>th</sup> meeting they rejected the bids for the pursuit vehicles, as being not-responsive, and re-bid the five pursuit vehicles (*please refer to page one, issue one, “In The Matter Of Departmental Reports”, of the Regular Meeting dated August 4, 2014*). Captain Asher submitted the following bids for five (5) 2015 Pursuit Vehicles:

Brad Howell Ford	\$26,800.00 ea	\$ 8,200.00 Trade-In	\$125,800.00 Total
Eriks Chevrolet	\$32,700.00 ea	\$10,600.00 Trade-In	\$152,700.00 Total
Button Chrysler / Dodge	\$28,488.00 ea	\$10,000.00 Trade-In	\$132,440.00 Total

A motion was made by Mr. Moore to take the bids under advisement for further review by Captain Asher. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried. Captain Asher will review the bids and come back with a recommendation before the end of today’s meeting.

#### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:**

1) Highway Department Engineer/Superintendent submitted a Local Public Agency agreement between Indiana Department of Revenue and Howard County, a Project Coordination Contract for the Touby Pike – Morgan Street to US-31 project, Des. No. 0710026. The amount of \$1,629,840.00 is the 80% to be paid with federal funds. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve the LPA between the Indiana Department of Transportation and Howard County, in the amount of \$1,629,840.00, for the Touby Pike project from Morgan Street to US-31. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

2) Mr. Cain submitted a Local Public Agency Consulting Contract between Howard County and Butler Fairman and Seufert, Inc., Des No. 1400994, the replacement of Howard County Bridge No. 508, carrying Park Ave over Kokomo Creek. The maximum amount payable will not exceed \$178,200.00 (80% Federal Share). A motion was

made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray, and carried to approve the LPA – Consulting Contract between Howard County and Butler Fairman & Seufert, Des. No. 1400994, in an amount not to exceed \$178,200.00, for engineering services in the replacement of Bridge #508.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY:**

1) EMA Director Janice Hart submitted the Emergency Management Performance Grant for Salaries between Howard County and the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. This is to reimburse a portion of the 2013 salaries, in amount not to exceed \$42,275.41. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve the 2013 Emergency Management Performance Grant – Salaries, Sub-Grant Agreement, CFDA #97.042 between Howard County and the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

2) Ms. Hart has requested the purchase of a new vehicle from the Cumulative Capital Commissioner Vehicle Line item. She submitted the following quotes:

Brad Howell Ford	2015 Ford Escape SE	\$23,331.32
Button Dodge	2014 Dodge Journey SE	\$22,576.00
	2014 Jeep Cherokee Sport	\$23,662.00
Erik’s Chevrolet	2014 Equinox AWD	\$22,985.00

A motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray and carried to receive the quotes and take them under advisement for further review.

**MAINTENANCE:**

1) Buildings & Grounds Superintendent Bill Stonestreet submitted an agreement with Waste Management. Mr. Murrell has reviewed the contract, submitted changes, and now gives his approval. This agreement for consolidated services will save the county money. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve the new Service Agreement with Waste Management and authorize the President to sign on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

2) The painting of the exterior of the Criminal Justice Center is completed and was so successful that Mr. Stonestreet would like to do the Kinsey Youth Center exterior as well. He does have money to complete the project that will cost \$5,700.00 (\$2,700.00 for just windows and secure area). Mr. Stonestreet recommends that we do the complete project for the amount of \$5,700.00. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to accept Mr. Stonestreet’s recommendation to proceed with the total painting package for Kinsey Youth Center, in the amount of \$5,700, to be paid from 1138-000-04724.05. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

**KINSEY YOUTH CENTER:**

Kinsey Youth Center Director Jeff Lipinski is requesting to purchase a vehicle from the Commissioners’ Vehicle Line item in the Cumulative Capital Fund, and submitted the following quotes. Those quotes will include a trade-in value for the 2002 Safari.

McGonigal Cadillac Buick & Jeep	\$19,991.00 with trade-in
Kokomo Auto World	\$20,000.00 with trade-in
Erik’s Chevrolet	\$19,262.00 with trade-in

A motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray and carried to accept the quotes as submitted and take them under advisement for further review.

**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS:**

Community Corrections Director Ray Tetrault informed the Commissioners that his department has two vehicles with over 100,000 miles each, that he is willing to trade for one (1) newer vehicle. He submitted the following quotes:

Brad Howell Ford	2010 Chevrolet Impala	\$ 7,500.00 with trade-in
Lewis Motor Sales	2010 Dodge charger	\$10,900.00 with trade-in
Button Chrysler Jeep Dodge	2011 Buick Regal	\$11,684.00 with trade-in

All quotes include trade-in value for a 2002 Ford Crown Victoria and a 2006 Ford Fusion. Mr. Tetrault recommends the purchase of the 2010 Chevrolet Impala in the amount of \$7,500.00, from Community Corrections Funds. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve the purchase of 2010 Chevrolet Impala, in the amount of \$7,500.00, as the lowest, most responsive quote. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

#### **SHERIFF VEHICLE BIDS:**

Captain Asher has reviewed the bids for five pursuit vehicles that were opened previously in the meeting (*please refer to page one, "In The Matter of Departmental Reports, Sheriff Department", of these Regular Meeting minutes*). He recommends the purchase of five Chevrolet Tahoes from Erik's Chevrolet, to match current vehicles already a part of the fleet, but it is not the lowest bid. By law the Board of Commissioners must accept the lowest, most responsive bid. The lowest bid would be the vehicles from Brad Howell Ford which are also responsive to needed specifications, in the amount of \$125,800.00. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve the purchase of five Ford Explorers from Brad Howell Ford, as the lowest, most responsive bid, in the amount of \$125,800.00 plus the optional 3.5 liter eco boost twin turbo engine for \$15,980.00, for a grand total of \$141,780.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

Captain Asher commended the Taste of Kokomo event, this weekend, and thanked EMA.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF THE REGION 4 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UPDATE:**

Mr. Roger Feldhaus, Director of the Region 4 Workforce Board, submitted and distributed copies of 2014 Workforce development Summary for Howard County; the WorkOne West Central 2012 Annual Report; and a map of the Workforce Service Area. Mr. Feldhaus thanked local members of the Board of Directors; Chancellor Stephen Daily, Ivy Tech Community College; Mr. Jerry Meiring, City of Kokomo; and Mr. Mitch Morrow, Labor representative from Haynes. Mr. Feldhaus then proceeded to introduced Ms. Terri Simons, Regional Coordinator of WorkOne Integrated Services; Ms. Treva Nichols, Team Leader, WorkOne Kokomo Jobs and Training Team; and Jeanette Dwyer, WorkOne Case Manager / Academic and Career Counselor.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:**

Auditor Martha Lake submitted the following claims and reports for the Commissioners' information and approval:

1. **Salary Claims:** The Commissioners' Salary, Hourly and Overtime Claims payable August 22 and August 29, 2014, in the amount of \$357,073.11 each, were approved on a motion made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore, and carried.
2. **Operating Claims:** Commissioners' Operating Claims payable today, in the amount of \$411,533.13, were submitted. A motion was made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore and carried to approve the Operating Claims payable today.
3. **Ratify President's Signature:** Ms. Lake submitted an early paid claim for IHEPS training for the Health Department employees. She asked that Mr. Wyman's signature be ratified. A motion was made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore and carried to ratify and confirm the signature of President Paul Wyman.
4. **Monthly Reports:** Ms. Lake submitted the following monthly reports; Howard County Veterans Service Office report for the month of June, 2014; the Treasurer's Monthly Report for the month ending July 31, 2014; the Clerk's Monthly Report for the month ending July 31, 2014. All reports were accepted as submitted on a motion made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore, and carried.
5. **Umbaugh Agreement:** Ms. Lake submitted an agreement between Howard County Commissioners and H. J. Umbaugh & Associates Certified Public Accountants, LLP. This agreement is for financial advisory services to the County for Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Management. The total fees for services will not exceed \$7,500.00, and Mr. Murrell has reviewed the contract. A motion was made by Mr. Bray to approve the agreement with H. J. Umbaugh & Associates Certified Public Accountants, LLP. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moore and carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Moore to authorize the President to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

**IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY ATTORNEY ISSUES:**

County Attorney Larry Murrell submitted the following issues for the Commissioners' information and approval:

1. **Rankins Invitation to Quote:** Mr. Murrell submitted an Invitation to Quote for the demolition of the Rankins property located at 4447 E. County Road 400 S., Hemlock, Indiana. The quotes are to be submitted before 8:30 a.m. on September 15, 2014. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve the Invitation to Quote for demolition services for property located at 4447 E. County Road 400 S., Hemlock, Indiana, authorizing Mr. Greg Sheline to distribute the Invitations to Quote, and authorize the President to sign on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.
  
2. **Fragrant Blossom MOU:** Mr. Murrell submitted a Memorandum of Understanding between Howard County and the Greater Kokomo Economic Development Alliance, in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the Small Business Rent abatement granted to Lillian Newman d/b/a/ Fragrant Blossom Soaps & Candles. The MOU was approved as submitted on a motion made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

**IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER ISSUES:**

**COMMISSIONER BRAY:**

Commissioner Bray thanked all the citizens concerned and involved with the eastern Howard County Wind Farm issue, and its contract termination / resolution. He believes it turned out well for all involved.

*There being no further business and no public comment to come before the Board of Commissioners at this time, the meeting was adjourned on a motion made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.*

**HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

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PAUL G. WYMAN, PRESIDENT

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TYLER O. MOORE, VICE PRESIDENT

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ROBERT B. BRAY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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MARTHA J. LAKE, AUDITOR  
Howard County Commissioner Meeting August 18, 2014