

**FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
MEMORANDUM & MINUTES  
November 21st, 2011 @ 7:00 PM  
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING ROOM 203**

Those Present: County Commissioners: Thomas Wilson Tom Linkel Scott McDonough  
County Auditor: Erica Hudson  
County Attorney: John Worth  
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman

Thomas Wilson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES: 11/14/2011-** MOTION- Tom Linkel motioned to approve the minutes for November 14<sup>th</sup>. Scott McDonough seconds with the revision of the header reflecting Tom Linkel as present. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

**TREASURER'S REPORT: October 2011-** MOTION- Scott McDonough motioned to acknowledge the Treasurer's report for the month of October. Tom Linkel seconds. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

**COUNTY ENGINEER UPDATES: Ted Cooley & George Hartman-**

George Hartman

#117- The final inspection is complete with McAllister and the bridge officially opened at 5:00 today.

**FHW #37 Stipps Hill Road-** George will proceed with the embankment stabilization as authorized and LR & S (local road and street) funds will be utilized for this project. George said that the next step is to select a qualified consultant in order to qualify for FHW assistance. The selection committee will then review the letter of commitment and the RFP (request for proposals) will be submitted. INDOT scores the qualifications to determine the projects selected for FHW assistance.

Ted Cooley: Please refer to the update sheet submitted for details.

**Levee Road-** The permit application will be submitted this week to USACE, IDEM, and IDNR. Ted is currently waiting on a response for reimbursement for 5 of 13 FEMA project work orders; Department of Homeland Security.

**Salt Dome-**Next week the installation of the top will be assembled; however there is an additional cost of \$480 for a larger man lift.

#135 Graf Rd-The assembly of the guardrail and the removal of the run around are scheduled for this week and next week.

**Little Duck Creek: Unofficial Detour Repair-**Pending the approval of INDOT in Indianapolis.

**New Trenton: Drainage Study-** Ted proposed a catch basin to be installed providing it and let a connection between US 52 and Judy Stevens driveway.

#37 Stipps Hill Road-An \$11,000 phone quote was provided by Cincinnati, Ohio. Tom Linkel feels that this bid is too high and that a wing wall should be considered as an option for approximately \$10,000 or less.

**Pipe Creek Road-** Ted stated that the surface water flows north away from the County Road and there will be no need for a culvert if the driveway is not elevated. There are also fallen sycamore trees south of Pumphouse Road; however Ben Harrison could not provide a quote due to the water level.

**Elkhorn Road Culvert-** The FCHD (Franklin County Hwy., Department) materials are approximately \$9,500.00 for which FEMA will reimburse at 75%.

**Current Projects Progress-** Bridge #11 and Bridge #103 (replacement) are scheduled projects for 2012; field work to be conducted this winter. Ordinances are being prepared for utility work in the County; including permits. The Morris Road culvert will be completed in the spring of 2012. The ADT (average daily traffic) will be utilized to provide a color-coded highway map. Ted is investigating the ownership records for Bridge #144 with the Surveyor's office; Fairfield Causeway. Ted will be contacting Steve Werner in reference to the Paul Miller culvert.

**SOUTHEASTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION (SIRPC): Appointments-** MOTION- Thomas Wilson motioned to reappoint Scott McDonough and Erica Hudson (Auditor) to the SIRPC. Tom Linkel seconds. Scott McDonough, AIF. MC.

**PRECINCT BOUNDARIES: Corrected IEC-8 Forms-** MOTION- Tom Linkel motioned to sign the Precinct Boundaries & Submission of Corrected IEC – 8 Forms. Scott McDonough seconds. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

Comments – Beth Siebert inquired about the new process for the Tourism Board selection. Thomas Wilson explained that a resume or a letter of interest would be accepted at the Commissioners' office. Scott McDonough explained that the deadline for resumes would be December 7 and the Commissioners would appoint on December 12<sup>th</sup>. The Commissioners reached a consensus to allow the Tourism Board to conduct a review of the submitted resumes with the Commissioners between December 7<sup>th</sup> and December 12<sup>th</sup>. The Tourism Board would then be allowed to make a recommendation. John Worth stated that Grant Reeves (colleague) is assisting with County Ordinance reviews. John also sent a letter to the Towns stating that the final deadline for the Zoning Code will be the end of 2011.

ADJOURN- MOTION- Thomas Wilson motioned to adjourn. Scott McDonough seconds. Tom Linkel, AIF. MC.

Others Present: Tom Vohland Lou Linkel Sara Duffy Carroll Lanning Paula Keller  
Jeff Batchler Beth Siebert Ted Cooley George Hartman John Estridge Daryl Kramer  
Joe Sizemore Wayne Monroe

Note: Those names listed are spelled as correctly as possible due to the legibility on the sign in sheet.

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ATTEST: Erica Hudson  
Erica Hudson, Franklin County Auditor