FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEMORANDUM & MINUTES
JANUARY 10TH, 2011 @ 10:00 AM
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING ROOM

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

Thomas Wilson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

UTILITY CLAIMS

Scott McDonough motioned to approve the Utility Claims. Tom Linkel 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

CLERKS REPORT
NOVEMBER 2010

Thomas Wilson motioned to acknowledge the Clerks Report. Scott McDonough 2nd. Tom Linkel, AIF. MC.

BRIDGE NO. 116:
DREW BARTH

Drew Barth from Howard J. Barth & Associates, Inc. from Greensburg Indiana discusses Bridge No. 116 located in Batesville. Change Order NO. 1 Asbestos Inspection was approved at $1,200.00. Change Order NO. 2 was for the relocation of an Electric Service Pole (Duke Energy) that is privately owned by the Golf Course; the line relocation cost is $2,767.00 (Total $3,967.00). The costs' will be shared within Franklin County with the co pay being 1/2 and Batesville paying 1/2. Tom Linkel motioned to sign both change orders. Scott McDonough 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

ACROW BRIDGE
(BAILEY BRIDGE)
AUCTION

Thomas Wilson motioned to resend his motion from January 3rd, 2011 to have the auction on Bailey Bridge (Acrow Bridge) originally on January 24th, 2011 to February 28th, 2011. Tom Linkel 2nd. Scott McDonough, AIF. MC.

HEALTH DEPT.
SHARED SERVICES:
DIANE TURNEY

Diane Turney discussed some ideas Dr. Larken (New State Health Commissioner) had suggested in reference to Shared Services. This is like combining services provided within the Health Depatment between counties; Union County or Ripley County. This is an effort to save the county money. There are 10 services that are supposed to be provided by the County Health Department. The Health Department is also going to be working on becoming accredited in turn to get grant monies.

AUCTION

John Estridge wanted to discuss where the money for scrap items go, which accounts (ex. County General). Scott McDonough said that it depends on the amount according to the States advisement for over or under a certain amount. Tom Linkel said that they received $11,000 for the scrap equipment. Tom Linkel added items to the auction list; the Trail King Trailer (minimum bid), pull broom, side mount mower, Bailey Bridge is still being determined (value/worth); minimum bid, paver, bulldozer, and 20 ton floor jack. There was a brief discussion about the Bailey Bridge (Acrow Bridge) between Harry Graves and the Commissioners as to whether or not the bridge is worth being restored or if it would be in the County's best interest to sell it and be done with it.

BZA
BOARD OF
ZONING APPEALS

The Commissioners received a letter from Area Planning regarding Drusilla Masters term expiration with the BZA as of December 31st, 2010; she does not wish to be re appointed. The Commissioners decided to table the appointment until the BZA meeting which is the 2nd Wednesday in February.

CIC ZONING CODE
2011-02

Scott McDonough discusses amending the current CIC Zoning Code (4/12/2010) which goes to the APC and they have 60 days to make a decision. Scott McDonough motioned to sign Ordinance 2011-02. Tom Linkel 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.
Harry Graves clarifies that the Commissioners are amending the CIC Zoning Code. The discussion then turns to Joe (?) (Public Comment) that the only other issue he can see pertains to Flood Insurance which is required to meet the Federal Laws as well as State requirements, (FEMA); thus flood insurance can also be amended. Scott McDonough rescinds previous motion to the CIC Zoning Code (4/12/2010). Tom Linkel 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.
Scott McDonough motioned to approve the CIC Zoning Code (4/12/2010) with Flood Control Model Ordinance Language being updated. Tom Linkel 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.
Scott McDonough motioned to sign and approve Ordinance 2011-02. Tom Linkel 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.
Thomas Wilson acknowledged Brad Spurlock, Kenny Rosenburger, and Hollie Maxie for their years of service on County Council for an excellent job. Thomas Wilson announced that he would like to receive input from the citizens of Franklin County in regards to EMS becoming a full time service; he suggested that approximately $20.00 a half (parcel) to fund EMS per property owner would allow a paramedic, $40.00 annually. Thomas Wilson suggested putting an ad in the paper or allow email responses from the public in reference to their feelings on EMS. A brief discussion among Harry Graves (public comments) in the perspective of the operations for EMS within the county and Haroline Ison commented about the liability of the county for EMS as well as insurance.
Thomas Wilson held a moment of silence at 11:00 AM for the tragedy in Arizona.
Thomas Wilson would like to nominate Jim Surhe as the MVP (most valuable person) in Franklin County as well as thanking him for what he has done in 2010.

ZONING CODE
& METAMORA
INTERPRETIVE PARK:
HARRY GRAVES

Harry Graves discusses before the Commissioners copies he received from the previous Auditor Susan Jones, 314 pages that he paid for and only 5 pages were file stamped. Harry graves doesn't feel like he should have to pay for copies that he did not ask for and that aren't file stamped; he asked how documents can be in the auditor's office and not file stamped. Harry Graves says that he wants to return and be reimbursed for the copies that aren't file stamped. Harry Graves discussed the contact he made with INDOT as well as asking the Commissioners' for their understanding on legal documentation being held in a Government Office more so the Auditor's office. Harry Graves concludes that he will meet with Erica Hudson the current Auditor to resolve his issues. The Commissioners' informed Harry Graves that the Auditor consults in the County Council.

FRANKLIN CO.
HIGHWAY DEPT.

Tom Linkel briefly discusses the Franklin County Highway Department and procedures that should remain as is or need to be better regulated and controlled. Some of the issues discussed were confirming being clocked in and clocked out; accountability. Other issues' discussed were whether or not the Foreman should have to clock in and out, the drivers driving their county trucks home (trucks need to be left at the Highway Department), and assigning equipment (mowers) to one individual to allow damage control (if equipment is damaged then it will be obvious who is responsible). Tom Linkel discussed two line items for the Highway Department for repairs which are truck repairs ($46,000) and road repairs ($30,000); totaling $76,000 annually. Larry Kerr at the garage only has $76,000 annually to spend and as of January 10th, 2011 eighteen percent (.18) or $18,000 of that has already been spent.
Tom Linkel discussed handbook issues with the Highway Department (page 18); salt storage issues, calculating comp time (vacation/sick time), and also page 19 should be 40 hours not 240 (40 hours a week and over time (OT) can't be paid as time and a half).
Tom Linkel mentioned a wiring issue for welding and they plan to hire an electrician to resolve that issue. Tom Linkel discussed that Brian DeFossett could appoint one person to do a major cleanup.

PAYROLL

Thomas Wilson asks Erica Hudson (Auditor) if payroll will be required to be signed prior to being able to release/receive paychecks; I (Erica Hudson) replied yes that this would be the appropriate procedure. Tom Linkel motioned to approve payroll. Scott McDonough 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

Thomas Wilson motioned to adjourn. Tom Linkel 2nd. Scott McDonough, AIF. MC.
Thomas Wilson motioned to resend previous motion to adjourn and go to the Highway to continue the Meeting. Tom Linkel 2nd. Scott McDonough, AIF. MC.

Others Present:				
	Drew Barth	Haroline Ison	Katy McDonough	John Estridge
	Daryl Kramer	Sara Duffy	Harry Graves	Bob Bane
	Joe Gillespie	Darrell Smith	Diane Turney	Carol Monroe
	Ray Kersey			

AYE

Thomas Wilson

Tom Linkel

Scott McDonough

NAY

Thomas Wilson

Tom Linkel

Scott McDonough

ATTEST: Erica Hudson

Erica Hudson, Franklin County Auditor