

**FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MEMORANDUM & MINUTES
February 13th, 2012 @ 7:00 PM
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING ROOM 203**

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

Thomas Wilson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: 2/6/2012: MOTION: Tom Linkel motioned to approve the minutes. Scott McDonough 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

UTILITY CLAIMS: MOTION: Thomas Wilson motioned to approve utility claims. Tom Linkel 2nd. Scott McDonough, AIF. MC.

RURAL DEMONSTRATION PROJECT (GRANT): DON SMITH: Don briefly explained that the Sheriff's Department is requesting support to seek a \$2,000 grant similar to operation pullover which will cover personnel service expenses; seatbelt awareness in trucks from April 27th through May 13th 2012. **MOTION:** Scott McDonough motioned to support the Sheriff's Department. Tom Linkel 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPLICATION: BILL SCHIRMER: Bill stated that the Tourism, Chamber, and Economic Development requested the Commissioners support to seek a \$32,400 grant from the boat to relieve local businesses in reference to the Franklin County App project. The grant will be used to assist with advertising, marketing, material, labor, accessibility, and maintenance costs. The EDC gave consent for the grant application. The FC App is currently available on the iPhone, iPod, and iPad. The project coordination is also considering a Southeastern IN regional map with a link to the county map. There are 300 businesses participating and the app includes options including but not limited to dining, lodging, attractions, trails, canoeing, recreation, and maps. A standard business add on the app costs \$70-\$150 and a banner costs \$500. Bill also provided statistical data including that Brookville Lake is the #2 attraction visited in Indiana on an annual basis with over 1 million visitors per capita. **MOTION:** Scott McDonough motioned to support the grant application. Tom Linkel 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

NEW TRENTON DRAINAGE: JUDY STEVENS: Judy thanked the Commissioners for finalizing a 14 year promise resolving the drainage issue. She went onto to give a special thanks to Scott McDonough, Ted Cooley (Engineer), Joe Gillespie (Surveyor), and Monte McCoy (HWY).

FIELDS ROAD: HAROLD FIELDS: Harold requested that the Commissioners vacate the public right of way on Fields Road which is a dead end. The Commissioners recommended a public hearing whereas a petition would have to be filed. Joe Gillespie commented that this is in reference to the previous complaint regarding a gate installed blocking the old township road. Janet Brandenburg represented her mother Alma Reece (present) and explained that there is no evidence of a road. Janet explained that the gate was installed to prevent theft. The Commissioners were in consensus to have 2 hearings and recommended that all property owners involved reach an agreement prior to the hearings. The Commissioners were also concerned that this area may be a school bus turnaround and will be a priority in the decision. Joe Gillespie stated that there is statutory procedure that must be reconciled prior to the vacation hearing(s). Harold stated that he will have the transcript as well as legal representation present for the hearing. It was also recommended to determine if Humbart (property owner) would forfeit their rights which would resolve all discrepancies.

TAX SALE AGREEMENT: The Commissioners requested that the relevant Department Heads (Auditor and Treasurer) state their selection between the current provider GUTS and the secondary option for SRI. Becky Oglesby (Treasurer) stated that GUTS is the ideal provider due to their professionalism and services provided. Erica Hudson (Auditor) explained that there was a verbal agreement with the Treasurer in 2011 that the County would go with her recommendation and the following year the Auditor would decide. Erica also explained that SRI offers more services and has legal representation. Erica stated that if the Commissioners want to pursue a Commissioners sale it would be logical to allow SRI to provide transparency through the tax sale into a Commissioners sale. Becky stated that the companies are similar and she asked Erica to please keep GUTS for her last year as Treasurer. Scott McDonough stated that he felt there was no reason not to follow the Auditor's recommendation unless the Treasurer had a serious dispute. Becky then stated that SRI is the cause for a recent subpoena and this is a serious and legal concern. Erica explained that the issue was quickly resolved and no action was required. Tom Linkel set precedence that seniority is the ultimate decision factor to consider. **MOTION:** Thomas Wilson motioned to auto renew the tax sale contract with GUTS based on seniority. Tom Linkel 2nd. Scott McDonough, AIF. MC.

ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE CONTRACT ADDENDUM: SHERIFF: MOTION: Tom Linkel motioned for Thomas Wilson to sign the Oracle elevator maintenance contract addendum for the Sheriff's Department. Scott McDonough 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

MIDWEST DATA INC. CONTRACT: SHERIFF: MOTION: Tom Linkel motioned for Thomas Wilson to sign the Midwest Data contract for the Sheriff's Department; discontinuing with RBSK. Scott McDonough 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT ARRANGMENT (HRA): MOTION: Scott McDonough motioned for Thomas Wilson to sign the 2012 HRA plan document. Tom Linkel 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

LIEBERMAN TECHNOLOGIES CONTRACT: SHERIFF: This contract is a software tax warrant system and cash book option for \$2,500 annually at \$110 per hour (billable rate). Becky Oglesby (Treasurer) commented that this seems expensive and they need to consider their options. Becky also questioned whether this was a requirement and advised the Commissioners that this will ultimately impact the Counties expenditures and financial well-being. **MOTION:** Scott McDonough motioned to table the contract. Tom Linkel 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

ENGINEER UPDATES: MOTION: Tom Linkel motioned to sign the agreement for E&H in the amount of \$223,536.91 for a steel deck on bridge #37; George Hartman recommended steel for longevity. Scott McDonough 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC. George recommended a multifaceted approach to Levee Road; deflect/reroute water angle, jetty stabilization, barbs, trees, and shot rock. These proactive measures are intended to prevent road relocation. There were 4 property owners present (Harold Vonderheide, Mark Oglesby, Tom Carrow, and Matt Stewart) thus reaching a consensus with the Commissioners, Engineers, and Surveyor to approach Levee Road with the recommended multi optional approach previously discussed. Ted Cooley also briefly discussed Tee Hill guardrail and right of entry agreement; please review the update submitted for more details.

COMMENTS: It was brought to the Commissioners attention that there are several Trustees that do not currently have a bond recorded; a statutory requirement to be on file 30 days post elected. **MOTION:** Scott McDonough motioned for the Commissioners to sign a letter requesting all Trustees follow the statutory legalities in the entirety in order to fulfill their obligation as elected officials. Tom Linkel 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC. Tom Linkel mentioned that there is a Highway employee that allowed their CDL to expire. Tom commented that this is an operating requirement at the Highway Department; however this is not clear in the handbook. There is also a 60 day grace period whereas notification is sent. Tom Linkel recommended that the issue be classified under a level 3 offense, which is subject to termination due to the liability involved. John Worth stated that the insurance coverage is the biggest liability if something were to happen. **MOTION:** Scott McDonough motioned to review the Personnel Handbook policies and revise if necessary to include CDL expiration as a level 3 offense subject to termination as defined. Tom Linkel 2nd. Thomas Wilson, AIF. MC.

ADJOURN: MOTION: Thomas Wilson motioned to adjourn. Tom Linkel 2nd. Scott McDonough, AIF. MC.

Others Present:	Stacey Nobbe	Angie Kroll	J Stevens	Tom Carrow	Bill Schirmer
Wayne Monroe	David Mannix	Janet Brandenburg	Alma Reece	Joe Gillespie	LT. Don Smith
Joey Sizemore	Joe Sizemore	Jeff Wilson	Mark Oglesby	George Hartman	Becky Oglesby
Matt Stewart	Daryl Kramer	Ted Cooley	Harold Fields	John Estridge	Harry Graves

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

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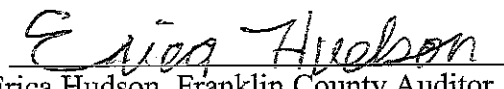
Thomas Wilson



Tom Linkel



Scott McDonough

ATTEST: 
Erica Hudson, Franklin County Auditor

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Thomas Wilson

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