

# ATTN: THIS IS A DRAFT--NOT YET APPROVED BY COMMISSIONERS

March 24, 2009

Pursuant to adjournment comes now the Starke County Board of Commissioners and meet in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the Annex meeting room, Knox, Indiana, and the following proceedings were held to wit:

## **IN RE: SCORING OF ENGINEERS ON C.R. 300E PROJECT**

The commissioners discussed the process of scoring so that they were all on the same page in doing the scoring.

The commissioners went through all four proposals. The four proposals were received from:

1. United Consulting
2. Butler, Fairman & Seufert
3. Wightman Petrie
4. Lawson Fisher

Scorings were done by all three commissioners for all four firms and the score sheets were given to the Auditor for submission to Marcia Blansett at INDOT.

## **IN RE: FAMILY & MEDICAL LEAVE FOR HIGHWAY EMPLOYEE**

Jonnie Taylor, employee of Starke County Highway, requested Medical Leave under the Family & Medical Leave Act beginning March 26, 2009 through June 18, 2009. Mark Milo moved to approve seconded by Kathy Norem with 3 ayes.

## **IN RE: E-911 FUNDS**

The Auditor informed the commissioners that the E-911 funds are running low; there is only about \$15,000 a month coming in and about \$25,000 per month going out.

After some research, the Auditor found:

One of the reasons is that the "wireless" 911 fees cannot be put into this fund, as the state informed us in September or October of 2008 that the "wireless" 911 fees had to be kept completely separate from the regular 911 fees. The "wireless" money can only be used for a minimum amount of things.

Another reason is because three additional payrolls are coming out in 2009 over previous years.

And the last reason I can think of, is that more and more people are cancelling land lines and going totally wireless which has brought the amount of fees coming in down about \$5,000 a year.

## **IN RE: CONSULTANT NEEDED FOR STIMULUS FUNDS**

Dan Bridegroom stated that we need to get a consultant for any stimulus money for chipping and paving or for hot asphalt for Toto Road. We have to have a consultant per INDOT and done in INDOT'S format.

Jeff Larrison with United Consulting is already in place on some projects for Starke County, therefore, Mark Milo moved to have Jeff Larrison be the consultant seconded by Kathy Norem with 3 ayes. If Jeff is not able to get on this right away, the commissioners will consider Bonar Group.

There being no further business to come before the board, Mark Milo moved to adjourn seconded by Kathy Norem with 3 ayes.

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Dan Bridegroom, President

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Kathy Norem, Vice President

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Mark Milo, Member

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Michaelene J. Houston, Auditor and  
Secretary to the Commissioners