

**Tuesday, May 28, 2013**

Pursuant to adjournment comes now the Starke County Board of Commissioners and meet in special session in the Annex meeting room, Knox, Indiana, with Kathy Norem and Jennifer Davis present, (Commissioner Kent Danford was absent) and the following proceedings were held to wit:

President Norem called the meeting to order at 10:00AM. Present for the Meeting was County Highway Superintendent, Rik Ritzler, Starke County Economic Development Foundation Director, Charlie Weaver, and a Summer Intern to the SCEDF Office, Todd Fornelli.

President Norem advised the purpose of the meeting was to move forward with a property deed in regard to the purchase of property, at the CR300E & SR8 intersection. County Attorney Marty Lucas, was present via speakerphone, and advised he had reviewed the paperwork that will be presented to the Board, and had approved it. He stated he had spoken to Bob Aloï, of Territorial Engineering, and he noted he understood it was the result of a lengthy negotiation, and the Board should approve the paperwork.

Director Weaver advised the property, that needed to be purchased to allow the project, belongs to Neal Singleton, who was a willing but reluctant seller. He advised they are only interested in the southern half portion of the intersection of CR300E & SR8. He noted the intersection will be widened, to allow easier accessibility of semi- trucks to maneuver onto CR300E. He advised both the east and west entrances to CR300E will be improved and widened, and de-acceleration lanes will be added. He noted the ditch crossing will be moved south, and a new ditch will be created with a tubular structure. Director Weaver advised all the permits are either received or in the process of receiving. The construction window they are looking at is ninety days, with an estimated construction work time of only thirty days. He advised the project will need to go in front of the Economic Development Administration since they are providing 50% of the funding.

Director Weaver stated there are two parts to the paperwork he is presenting today: He would like the Board to approve and accept the Warranty Deed from Neal Singleton to Starke County, and to approve and execute the Sales Disclosure Form.

President Norem made a motion to approve and accept the Warranty Deed from Mr. Singleton. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion, and it passed with all ayes.

President Norem then made a motion to execute the Sales Disclosure Form regarding that piece of property. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion, and it passed with all ayes.

The paperwork was signed by the Board, and Director Weaver advised he would be recording the paperwork that day. He noted the title search should be completed that day, and he would be preparing the paperwork for the County Council from the County.

There being no further business, Commissioner Davis made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by President Norem. The motion passed with all ayes, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:15AM.

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Kathy Norem, President

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Jennifer Davis, Vice-President

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Kent Danford

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Katherine Chaffins, Auditor &  
Secretary to the Board of Commissioners