***TIPPECANOE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS***
***REGULAR MEETING***
***May 7, 2007***

The Tippecanoe County Commissioners met on Monday, May 7, 2007 at 10:00 a. m. in the Tippecanoe Room in the County Office Building. Commissioners present were: President KD Benson, and Vice President John L. Knochel. Also present were: Auditor Jennifer Weston, Commissioners' Assistant Frank Cederquist, County Attorney Dave Luhman, and Secretary Jennifer Prange.

President Benson called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve minutes from the April 16, 2007 meeting, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

***ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS***

Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist recommended approval for accounts payable vouchers for April 19, 20, 26, 27 and May 3, 4, and 7 as presented.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve accounts payable vouchers as submitted, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

***SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT – Jim Bodenmiller***

Jim Bodenmiller representing the committee for the Round the Fountain Art Fair requested approval for the 34th annual event to take place on May 26, 2007. Commissioner Benson noted that this event has been successful in the past and wishes the committee well. She also noted that the artists are listed on the website "roundthefountainartfair.org".

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the sponsorship agreement for Round the Fountain Art Fair, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

***HIGHWAY – Opal Kuhl***

Director Kuhl recommended that the calcium chloride bid be accepted from Central Paving Inc., for $.76 a gallon with the application of the product included.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the bid from Central Paving Inc. for $.76 a gallon, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

Director Kuhl presented Change Order #1 for Jack Isom Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of $23,885.20 for Bridge #52.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve Change Order #1 for Bridge #52 project, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

A warranty deed was presented for approval for Bridge #20 Project, Parcel #4 in the amount $1,025.00.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the warranty deed for Parcel 4, Bridge #20, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

Director Kuhl requested approval for summer hours for the Highway Garage employees. She added that the workdays are more productive if the employees work four ten hour days. This change will be effective starting June 4, 2007 through October 1, 2007.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the new summer hour schedule for the Highway division, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

Director Kuhl presented Performance, Maintenance and Payment Bonds for Reith Riley Construction in the amount of $283,972.41 for CR 300 W at US52 Intersection Improvements Project.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to accept the bonds as presented, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

A Construction Maintenance Bond from American Paving & Asphalt, Inc. for general work in the right of way was presented in the amount of $5,000.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the construction maintenance bond in the amount of $5,000, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

Director Kuhl recommended approval for a Utility Maintenance Bond from Carroll County REMC for work in the county right of way in the amount of $5,000.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the utility maintenance bond in the amount of $5,000 from Carroll County REMC, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

***GRANTS***

**Superior Court 3 Grants**

Kathy Timerlake requested approval for two grants. The first grant from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute for the Title II Formula grant in the amount of $25,441 will service 1200 youth and family. She noted that the grant will help identify gaps in youth services and the mental health service continuum. This grant will support the implementation of an evidence based parenting group titled "Staying Connected to Your Teen". She added that it will also support the computerized programming for the youthful level of service inventory (YLSIR) to identify the risk level of children and the various services needed for youth returning from probation.

Kathy also requested approval for a continuation grant from Indiana Supreme Court. She noted that the grant will fund both Superior Court 3 and Circuit Court. Superior Court 3 drug treatment court will assist in case management for the entire family and Circuit Court will assist in adult family court coordination with service referral for high risk families, coordination of multiple case families and mediation services.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve both grants presented by Kathy Timberlake, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

**Homeland Security Grant**

Grant Coordinator Laurie Wilson presented an addendum for a Homeland Security Grant. This addendum for $28,820.60 will provide the City of Lafayette's Fire Department Technical Rescue Team with new equipment.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the addendum for the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

**MITS-GIS Contract**

Director Diane Hawkins requested approval for a contract from Sidwell Corporation. This contract will allow Sidwell Corporation to change the current GIS format from Microstation to ESRI, update the parcel layer and train in-house users on new software.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the contract from Sidwell Corporation as presented, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

**Fire Alarm Agreement**

Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist presented an agreement from Simplex Grinnell for $1357 for the annual inspection of fire alarms at the Tippecanoe Villa.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the agreement for the Villa, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

**INDOT Regional Detention Contract**

Attorney Luhman reviewed the contract for INDOT Regional Detention Center. He noted that this contract is strictly for participation in the regional detention storage and has been approved by the Drainage Board.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the Regional Detention Contract with INDOT, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

**Tyler Technologies**

County Assessor Samantha Steele recommended approval of a continuation contract for Tyler Technologies. She added that Cathi Gould, a Level II Certified Appraiser/Assessor employed by Tyler Technologies, will serve as president of the PTABOA board at a rate of $50 per hour. A contract was established in 2004 with the same rate and level of work provided.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the contract for Tyler Technologies, second from Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

**Professional Services Contract**

Assessor Steele requested approval of a contract for legal representation on commercial and industrial appeals by Meighan and Associates, p.c. She noted that the county has not had legal representation in the past but now recommends that a professional be hired to advise the county on options of pursuing an appeal. Assessor Steele added that the hourly rate for representation is $130.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the contract for professional services, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

**Professional Services Agreement – Krista Trout-Edwards**

Commissioner Benson stated that this agreement was established to hire Krista Trout-Edwards, former county employee, to administer the flood buy-out program. She added that Krista-Trout Edwards helped initiate the process and this agreement will allow her to perform additional services needed to complete the grant procedure.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the agreement with Krista Trout-Edwards, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

**IKON Lease Agreement**

Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist recommended approval for a contract to replacement copiers in county offices. He added that all supplies will be included in this agreement except paper.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the agreement for IKON Copiers, second by Commissiner Benson; motion carried.

**Allied Waste Services Agreement**

Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist recommended approval of the Allied Waste Agreement for trash removal. He added that this agreement includes the Tippecanoe County Office Building, Courthouse and Community Corrections. He stated that the level of service will not change from previous provider and the rates will not change in the first year. He further added that contract states the increase in the second year will not increase more than 5%, and the third year no more than 7%. Additionally there will be no surcharges or environmental fees.

- Commissioner Knochel moved to approve the contract for Allied Waste as presented, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

***SELF INSURANCE FUND – Frank Cederquist***

Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist stated that a potential tort claim liability against a municipality amount will be increasing in 2008. Attorney Luhman informed the commissioners that the maximum of one claim will increase to $700,000 starting January 1, 2008. He further suggested that the commissioners consider transferring funds into the self-insurance account to cover the cost of one claim. Assistant Cederquist noted that each year in June the county's insurance agent evaluates the market in an effort to identify self-insuring for this type of claim or

obtaining a policy. Commissioner Knochel suggested delaying the transfer until the commissioners have met with the insurance agent.

***APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMON WAGE BOARD***

- Betty Michael City of Lafayette Construction Wage Board
  Tippecanoe County Culvert Rehabilitation Project

- Tom Murtaugh City of Lafayette Construction Wage Board
  Tippecanoe County Culvert Rehabilitation Project

- Dave Lahr City of Lafayette Construction Wage Board
  Tippecanoe County Culvert Rehabilitation Project

- Commissioner Knochel moved to appoint the individuals as stated to common wage boards, second by Commissioner Benson; motion carried.

***UNFINISHED/NEW BUSIESS***

**Land Development and Management Process**

MITS Director Diane Hawkins noted that the pilot project with Maximus is in the development stages. She noted that the key individual leading Tippecanoe County through the process is no longer employed with Maximus. Commissioner Knochel added that Surveyor Steve Murray is conferring with the individual and Maximus in an attempt to provide a proposal for the county in a timely manner.

**GIS Policy Board**

Commissioner Benson noted that the GIS Policy Board membership needs updated. Director Diane Hawkins added that a resolution had been drafted in the past that designates committee members. Attorney Luhman, Commissioner Benson and Director Hawkins agreed to meet and discuss the board members and draft a resolution to establish membership.

**Annual Trending Services Contract**

Commissioner Benson requested information on the Annual Trending Services Contract with GnA Professionals. Attorney Luhman noted that the contract has not been fully executed. The delay in awarding a bid and awaiting approval from DLGF has set the contractors back substantially; the county assessor and the contractor are in the process of establishing a new date of completion.

***REPORTS ON FILE***

Mail and Duplicating
Tippecanoe County Library
Tippecanoe County Clerk
Tippecanoe County Treasurer

Weights and Measures
Board of Health
Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission
Parks and Recreation

- Commissioner Knochel moved to adjourn.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF TIPPECANOE**

KD Benson

KD Benson, President

John L. Knochel

John L. Knochel, Vice President

absent

Ruth E. Shedd, Member

**ATTEST**:

Jennifer Weston

Jennifer Weston, Auditor