



# BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS LAPORTE COUNTY

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## LAPORTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2006

The LaPorte County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session on Tuesday, September 5, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. in the LaPorte County Complex Meeting Room #3

Present at the meeting were Commission President Marlow Harmon, Commission Vice President Barbara Huston and Commission Member William Hager. Also present were LaPorte County Auditor Teresa Shuter, LaPorte County Attorney Robert Szilagyi and Executive Secretary Linda Arnett.

Commission President Marlow Harmon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m...

Commission Vice President Barbara Huston led the Pledge of Allegiance

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Harmon, under "Old Business" "A" I would like to add John Saylor final plat for Young Minor Subdivision that is the only addition I have.

Mr. Hager, made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, second by Mrs. Huston. Motion carried with a voice vote 3-0.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Hager, made a motion to approve the minutes of August 15, 2006 as presented, second by Mr. Harmon. Motion carried with a voice vote 3-0.

### WEEKLY REPORTS

Commissioner's review and sign weekly reports during the meeting.

### CLAIMS

### PAYROLL

Mrs. Huston, made a motion to approve Payroll Ending September 8, 2006, second by Mr. Hager. Motion carried with a roll-call vote 3-0.

### MISCELLANEOUS CLAIMS

Mrs. Huston, made a motion to approve Miscellaneous Claims in the amount \$1,667,924.66, second by Mr. Hager. Motion carried with a roll-call vote 3-0.

### REGULAR CLAIMS

Mr. Hager, made a motion to approve Regular Claims in the amount of \$1,208,288.09, second by Mrs. Huston. Motion carried with a roll-call vote 3-0.

### CORRESPONDENCE

None

### REQUESTS

**Robert Przybylinski, LaPorte County Surveyor/ Request for CCD Funds in the amount of \$26,756.00 for a New Vehicle**

Mr. Przybylinski, I am requesting funds from the CCD Fund for a new vehicle for the Surveyors Office. The biggest thing is the safety factor and we are planning to give our present car to the Drainage Board and the Surveyors Office will have the new truck. I would like to make a point that this will not be a take home vehicle.

Mrs. Huston, are you not trading in the vehicle.

Mr. Przybylinski, no we are giving it to the Drainage Board.

Mr. Hager, made a motion to approve the request for \$26,756.00 from CCD Funds, second by Mrs. Huston.

Question: Mrs. Huston, as the board is aware, we have gone for new vehicles and one of the questions the council has is if a vehicle is being traded in because they don't want it passed around. I believe there is no car to be traded in.

Mr. Hager, you could trade it in but it is junk and they would not give you anything for it.

Mrs. Huston, I believe the point is if the car is not being traded in it is not going to go forward. You are the one that has to go for the vehicle and if it doesn't go, I think it would be a wise thing to do on your part.

Mr. Przybylinski, I will get a price with the trade in.

Motion carried with a roll-call vote 3-0.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Mr. John Saylor/ Minor Subdivision Final Plat Approval**

Mr. Saylor, this a two lot minor subdivision final plat on County Road 675 North West of Highway 39, this has been approved by the Plan Commission.

Mrs. Huston, made a motion to approve, second by Mr. Hager. Motion carried with a roll-call vote 3-0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution to Sell and Transfer Property to Northern Indiana Transportation Authority**

Mr. Harmon reads the resolution by title only

**RESOLUTION TO SELL AND TRANSFER PROPERTY TO NORTHERN INDIANA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY:**

Mrs. Huston, made a motion to approve the Resolution, second by Mr. Harmon.

Mr. Hager, as I stated before, I read of it in the news paper from Mr. Yagelski and I am not going to be apart of it I am not going to vote for it but I am not opposed to it.

Mr. Harmon, this resolution is selling the property to NICTD for \$45,000.00, part of the problem we have with that property is we have a bill coming in for an environmental study coming in that is approximately \$41,000.00 this will pay off the rest of that investment we have in that property. This property will be used for a storage area for the Transportation Authority. This property is considered as excess and sold pursuant to IC code 36-1-11-8.

Motion carried with a roll-call vote 2-1, with Mr. Hager voting nay.

Glenn Wallace, LaPorte County Security/ Security System Additional Appropriation from Riverboat Fund #272.20200.000.272 in the amount of \$75,992.00

Mr. Harmon, is has explained the security system and the grant funds that should be coming in the amount of \$45,000.00 this would reduce the amount needed.

Mr. Hager, made a motion to approve, second by Mrs. Huston.

Question: by Mrs. Huston on cost \$74,836.00. Mr. Harmon, we will go with the \$74,836.00.

Motion carried with a roll-call vote 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jerry Cooley, Council President: I was told by Mike Seitz from the Chamber of Commerce if we don't join the RDA that the South Shore would stop the train cars at the LaPorte County line. I do not mind doing business with Northern Indiana Transportation Authority and I think it is a great idea but these are the threats that we are getting if we don't join. So if you are going to sell something make sure that they are not going to stop the cars at Porter and LaPorte County lines.

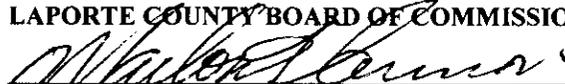
Mrs. Huston, I am on the NICTD Board and there has never been any talk of stopping at the county line.

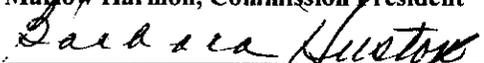
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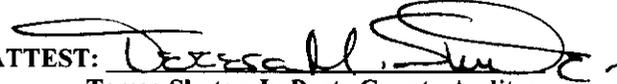
Commissioner Harmon adjourned the meeting at 6:18 p.m...

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ATTEST:   
Teresa Shuter, LaPorte County Auditor