

APRIL 17, 2017

REGULAR SESSION

The LaGrange County Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, April 17, 2017, in their meeting room, County Office Building, 114 W. Michigan Street, LaGrange, Indiana, 46761, at 8:30 a.m., with the following present: Commissioners, Mr. Larry N. Miller, Mr. Terry A. Martin, and Mr. Dennis H. Kratz; and LaGrange County Auditor, Kay M. Myers. Mr. Larry Miller, President, called the meeting to order and led those present in saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to adopt the proposed agenda with flexibility. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LAGRANGE COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

Mr. Kurt Bachman, County Attorney, presented the 2016 annual report for the LaGrange County Redevelopment Commission. Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to accept the annual report. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Kurt Bachman, County Attorney, reported that the Technical Review Committee met recently and he presented the following Resolution which ratifies and affirms the action that the Committee took:

COUNTY OF LAGRANGE
RESOLUTION NO. 2017-04-17

A RESOLUTION CREATING AND DIRECTING THE TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE FOR PLANNING THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER BUILDING.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of LaGrange ("Board") desires to design and build a new County Justice Center Building;

WHEREAS the Board has the authority under Indiana Code § 5-30-4-1 to appoint a Technical Review Committee to recommend to the Board the best design-builder and design among proposals to construct such a building;

WHEREAS, the Technical Review Committee has the authority under Indiana Code § 5-30-4-3 to exercise power delegated to it by the Board for the purposes of selecting the best design-builder and design; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to establish a stipend to increase competition and encourage higher quality design proposals.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF LAGRANGE, INDIANA THAT:

SECTION I

In accord with the powers granted to it under Indiana Code § 5-30-4-1, The Board of Commissioners of the County of LaGrange ("Board") hereby appoints a Technical Review Committee ("TRC") to be composed of the following individuals: Sarah Farlow, County Engineer, as the designated professional engineer under Indiana Code § 5-30-4-1(b)(2)(B); Dan Bontrager, as the designated qualified contractor under Indiana Code § 5-30-4-1(b)(2)(C); and Larry Miller (County Commissioner), Peter Cook (County Council), Rex Pranger (County Surveyor), Bob Shanahan (Planning and Zoning), and Travis Glick (Attorney) as County representatives under Indiana Code § 5-30-4-1(b)(1). The Board tasks the TRC with the process of selecting the best-combined design-builder and design among proposals received for the construction of a new County Justice Center Building.

To the extent the TRC or its members have already met on April 7, 2017, the Board attests that it has read over the minutes of that meeting and hereby ratifies the actions of that meeting as if they were also the actions of the Board.

SECTION II

The Board hereby appoints Sarah Farlow, County Engineer, as the Design Criteria Developer ("DCD"). Subject to Board oversight, the Board hereby delegates to the DCD the authority to purchase materials and services necessary to assist her in drafting the preliminary or basic plans and specifications. The DCD is hereby directed by the Board to cooperate with the TRC regarding the TRC's vision for the general scope and level of detail of the design criteria. The DCD is further hereby directed to assist the TRC in conducting interviews of potential designers, to review potential designs for lack of responsiveness, and to seek clarifications from prospective designers concerning their submittals.

SECTION III

The Board hereby delegates to the TRC the powers necessary and/or proper for completing the task assigned to it except to the extent such delegation would violate applicable law. Such powers include, but are not limited to, the power to determine the general scope and level of detail of the design criteria; the power to publish and/or solicit Requests for Qualifications and Requests for Proposals from potential design builders, either combined or separately; the power to cooperate with and assign tasks to the DCD; and the power to seek clarifications from prospective designers concerning their submittals.

SECTION IV

The Board hereby approves the award of Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) as a stipend for non-winning proposals in order to increase competition and encourage higher quality design proposals. The Board hereby tasks the TRC with devising a plan to distribute the stipend before the Board's opening of sealed price proposals.

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SECTION V

No part of this Resolution shall be interpreted to conflict with any local, state or federal laws, and all reasonable efforts should be made to harmonize same. Should any section or part thereof of this Resolution be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the Resolution as a whole, or any other portion thereof other than that portion so declared to be invalid, and for this purpose the provisions of this Resolution are hereby declared to be severable.

Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the Resolution. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to waive the requirement for second reading. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

JUSTICE CENTER BUILDING

Mr. Bob Shanahan, Planning Administrator, explained that soil borings will need to be done on the building site and this will require Requests for Proposals. Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to proceed with the process. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

BRIDGE NO. 47 - COUNTY ROAD 700 SOUTH OVER NORTH BRANCH ELKHART RIVER

Ms. Sarah Farlow, County Engineer, reported that she has reviewed the Bids for Bridge No. 47 and recommends that the bid be awarded to JCI Bridge Group, Inc. for \$229,888.90. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to award the bid to JCI Bridge Group, Inc. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LAMBRIGHT FARM

Mr. Larry Miller presented a quote for \$2,350.00 from Kennedy Painting to have the barn painted on the Lambright Farm. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion approve the quote. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SUBDIVISION PLATS

The following subdivision plats were presented for approval:

Five Hills

There is one lot in this subdivision, in Newbury Township, located at 6235 W 275 N, Shipshewana, Indiana. Section 12, Township 37N, Range 8E. The owner is Lambright Farms, LLC. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the plat. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Hillside Feed

There are three lots in this subdivision, in Clay Township, located east of 0725 N 250 W, LaGrange, Indiana. Section 22, Township 37N, Range 9E. The owner is Hillside Feed Lots, Inc. Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to approve the plat. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Lavern & Rosemary Miller Farm

There is one lot in this subdivision, in Clearspring Township, located at 2580 S 00 W, LaGrange, Indiana. Section 1, Township 36N, Range 9E. The owners are Lavern Jay & Rosemary Miller. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the plat. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Terry Martin reported on the Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District meeting. He will hold a Town Hall meeting in Mongo on April 19, 2017.

Mr. Larry Miller reported on the Plat Committee meeting.

MARCH 2017 FINANCIAL REPORT

Mrs. Kay Myers, County Auditor, presented the financial statement for the month ending March 30, 2017, in the amount of \$15,867,324.88 and investments of \$28,236,984.00. Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the report. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

Mrs. Kay Myers, County Auditor, presented the Accounts Payable Vouchers. Mr. Dennis Kratz made a motion to approve the vouchers. Mr. Terry Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MEMORANDUM

Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to approve the memorandum for the March 29, 2017 meeting. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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CORRESPONDENCE

LaGrange County Clerk of the Circuit Court – March 2017 report

LaGrange County Treasurer – March 2017 report

Indiana Department of Environmental Management – Notice of Approval, Permit 087-37985-00060, Spectrum Finishing, LTD, 1340 Industrial Drive, LaGrange, Indiana

Indiana Department of Environmental Management – Notice of Approval, Permit 087-37319-00023, PalletOne of Indiana, Inc., 5345 W 200 N, Shpshewana, Indiana

ADJOURNMENT

There being nothing further to come before the Board at this time, Mr. Terry Martin made a motion to adjourn and meet on any subsequent day necessary to carry on the business of the Board. Mr. Dennis Kratz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Larry N. Miller

Terry A. Martin

Dennis H. Kratz

ATTEST:

Kay M. Myers
LaGrange County Auditor