

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY 7, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 7th day of January, 2014 at 5:03 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Marsha Abell presiding.

Call to Order

President Abell: I would like to call to order the January 7, 2014 meeting of the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners.

Attendance Roll Call

President Abell: Could I have the attendance roll call please?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Kiefer?

Commissioner Kiefer: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Abell?

President Abell: Here.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Abell: Would you please and stand join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

Election of Officers

President Abell: As this is the first meeting of the year for the Board of Commissioners, we have the opportunity to elect officers for the year 2014. At this time I would entertain a motion for the office of President.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll move Joe Kiefer be President.

President Abell: Do you want to second it, Mr. Kiefer?

Commissioner Kiefer: Yeah, I can second that.

President Abell: Okay. Roll call vote.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Kiefer?

Commissioner Kiefer: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Abell?

President Abell: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Kiefer, you may—

President Kiefer: I was wondering why you were in such a good mood today.

Commissioner Melcher: Do we switch the name tags too? So, do we have a camera to take a picture of this?

President Kiefer: There we go. Thank you very much, Commissioner Abell, I appreciate that. We would like to continue forward with that, with the election of the Vice President. Is there a motion for Vice President?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes, I'll make a move for Marsha Abell to be Vice President.

President Kiefer: I will second that. Is there a motion, I mean, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, I think that's it then.

Commissioner Melcher: Congratulations on your two spots.

Commissioner Abell: On my demotion?

President Kiefer: Well, please let it be noted that Commissioner Melcher's input is equally important. So, we know that.

<p>Purchasing: Permission to Advertise: Vehicle and Heavy Equipment Tires for Various Departments</p>
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President Kiefer: Under action items, Purchasing, permission to advertise bidding on vehicles and large equipment of tires. Briscoe Wilhite will be here to discuss.

Boscoe Wilhite: How you doing? Boscoe Wilhite, City-County Purchasing Manager. Requesting permission to bid out tires for the city and county. I've already gotten permission from the Board of Public Works to bid this out. Coming before you to ask to advertise on January 10th and the 17th. I'll be opening up at Board of Public Works on February 6th, and then, hopefully, a quick turnaround and come back to the Commissioners with a recommendation for the tire contract on February 25th.

President Kiefer: This is for the entire fleet? All of the tires that we're going to use for the entire year?

Boscoe Wilhite: Correct. Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Boscoe Wilhite: It will be a, I believe it's a one year contract with the ability to extend one year.

President Kiefer: Okay. Is there any discussion? Okay, then, I guess, we'll need a motion to grant permission.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Boscoe Wilhite: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Boscoe.

Designation of Insurance Agent of Record for 2014
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President Kiefer: Next is designation of insurance agent of record. We would like to ask Joe Harrison to discuss.

Joe Gries: Oh, typically each year the County Commissioners appoint the agent of record for the county's insurance. That item is up again at the beginning of the year. So, that is on the table. For the last two years it's been the insurance firm of Torian Hofmann and Dillow here in Evansville.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve to continue with Torian Hofmann and Dillow as our agent of record?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Under discussion I would like to say that I believe next week they will make a report to the County Commissioners. So, we'll find out how we're doing so far. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

<p>Second/Final Reading of Ordinance CO.12-13-013: Amending Section 17.24.040 of Title 17: Zoning Code</p>

President Kiefer: Second and final reading of CO.12-13-013, amending section 17.24.040 of Title 17. I see we have in the audience with us Ron London. This is basically what we had last time. It's just the second reading. You and I had a discussion, so I'm comfortable to leave everything as you had it.

Ron London: Okay.

President Kiefer: But, are there any questions?

Commissioner Abell: I've also talked to Ron.

President Kiefer: So, okay, it sounds like we're good to go with this.

Ron London: Okay.

President Kiefer: I would like to ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, no further discussion. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: See how easy that was, Ron?

Ron London: Exactly.

President Kiefer: They're all that easy.

**Sheriff: Independent Contract Agreement for IT Services: Don Stock
Health Dept: Grant: Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals
Auditor: 2014 KRONOS Maintenance Renewal
OCH Lease Renewal: David Miller & Toby Ellis
Legal Services Agreement with Massey Law Offices
County Assessor: Agreement with KDDK for PTBOA Legal Services
County Assessor: Pictometry International Corp. Agreement**

President Kiefer: Under contracts, agreements and leases, the Sheriff, independent services agreement with Don Stock. I see the Sheriff is here. I believe this is for a part time IT services on behalf of the County Sheriff's Office on a month-to-month basis. He's to be paid \$15 an hour for his services. I believe you have sufficient funds to cover it.

Eric Williams: (Inaudible) the other one we did last year. Don Stock is a retired Evansville Police Officer that handled a lot of their IT services while he was with them. He already knows our system very well. It's a much needed additional hours of somebody that knows what's going on to help our IT folks. It will be paid for either through Commissary or User Fees or some miscellaneous part time money in the grant.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: So approved.

Eric Williams: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Sheriff. Health Department grant agreement A70-4-053....2333, grant agreement with the Indiana State Department of Health for the sum of \$6,500 to be used by the County Health Department to train the volunteer health professionals that they will utilize in emergency health event situations. Gary, I'm sure you can elaborate.

Gary Heck: Thank you. Gary Heck, Administrator Vanderburgh County Health Department. This particular grant opportunity for us would be to train our Medical Reserve Corps volunteers in CPR training. It would provide us to have one of our staff members become a certified trainer of trainers. It would purchase materials that would include the CPR mannequins and the automatic electronic defibrillators, training components, and all of those will be put together in a training package to train all of our future volunteers. We have this opportunity to get the money funded through the State, and that's what this request is for.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there any discussion?

Commissioner Melcher: I make a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Gary Heck: Thank you, and congratulations on the new officers and four star member as well.

President Kiefer: Alright, moving right along. We have from the Auditor the 2014 KRONOS maintenance renewal. This is for maintenance and licensing needs on all

Vanderburgh County KRONOS software and the County Sheriff's online workforce educational services program. The total cost of the KRONOS contract is \$14,412.57. Joe, you might want to add on to this anything you want to add.

Joe Gries: Sure. This is, as you mentioned, the county's timekeeping system. It is used by many departments within the county. That timekeeping system interfaces with our payroll system to provide payroll information. We use that information to do payroll. This contract is a yearly contract that comes back up every year. I don't believe there's any significant increases to this. We have the funds available in the IT budget to pay for it.

President Kiefer: Great, thank you very much. Is there a motion please?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second. I have a question.

President Kiefer: Yes?

Commissioner Abell: Joe, does everybody in the county use the KRONOS system?

Joe Gries: No.

Commissioner Abell: Do we have a reason why people aren't using it?

Joe Gries: The system was implemented many years ago, and at the time, I believe it was offered as an option. It wasn't anything that was required. They could submit their payroll vouchers manually, if they didn't want to do it through a software system. So, it was, each department of office holder decided whether they wanted to.

President Kiefer: What percentage of—

Joe Gries: It's probably close to 60 to 65 percent, I would say, use KRONOS, maybe higher.

Commissioner Abell: Most people have that access, they're just not using it. Is that it?

Joe Gries: They currently would have to go onto a new upgraded version if they wanted to use the timekeeping system.

President Kiefer: So, would it cost us additional money if we had 100 percent use?

Joe Gries: Yes. We've started to look at that, because that's part of also the XP issue with Microsoft. We have to move away from XP onto Windows 7. The current version of KRONOS we have is, only can be run on XP. So, we have started with KRONOS to price that. We didn't include everybody when we got our initial price to upgrade, but, I believe the initial cost for people currently on it, and adding the Health Department, who currently doesn't have a timekeeping system, or doesn't use KRONOS, is about \$100,000 to \$125,000. So, in that range, that would upgrade us to a newer version of the timekeeping system.

Commissioner Abell: And everybody in the county could be on it?

Joe Gries: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Would you be able to do it through your computer, or do you have to have a card swipe?

Joe Gries: There are, the newer versions have several different ways you can do it. You can do it through a PC, log in and out, you can do it through a swipe card on a time clock. The choices could be made by each individual department. So, it's flexible enough, I think, that would benefit, you know, everybody, how they—

Commissioner Abell: Well, Commissioners, I realize it's an expense, and I realize that, you know, money's tight, but in this last year I have had more than one occasion to be sitting as a recipient of, hey, I have overtime due me and they're not giving it to me. We wrote it down and it got lost, then we've got overtime hours that are in question as to whether or not they're within the Federal guidelines. I think our goal for 2014 should be, regardless of what it costs us, to get every county employee on an electronic timekeeping system.

President Kiefer: Joe, could you send out a report saying which offices—

Joe Gries: We have that information. I can provide that to the Commissioners tomorrow.

President Kiefer: Yeah, that would be great. So at least we know who's—

Joe Gries: Absolutely.

President Kiefer: – which departments or offices are not on it.

Joe Gries: Sure.

Commissioner Abell: Certainly if there are departments that the County Commissioners oversee—

Joe Gries: Right.

Commissioner Abell: –we want our offices on it.

Joe Gries: I think one of the things to point out too, in relation to, you know, overtime and things like that, everybody who is on KRONOS, and we're working with the Sheriff's Department right now, everybody will be reporting their information through KRONOS to the payroll system, and we will be able to provide anybody who wants to see it, the audited accruals between the offices and the Auditor's office. So, that's another benefit, I think, that, you know, they report it through the timekeeping system, we also keep it within our office, and there's a balancing of that time to allow, you know, oversight. Not oversight, but to see that it's being kept up.

President Kiefer: Joe, people using this system, they have to actually be at their place of employment, their work place to sign in?

Joe Gries: Yes.

President Kiefer: They can't like sign in from home, or from an iPad, you know, distantly?

Joe Gries: I think with an upgraded version, I think KRONOS has the ability, and I would have to go back and we would have to check with them. They would have the ability to set up, you know, guidelines as to where you can be to get in to clock in.

President Kiefer: Yeah, it's not that I don't trust people.

Joe Gries: Sure.

President Kiefer: It's just that--

Joe Gries: Yeah, I mean, obviously the swipe card says you're there, you know.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Joe Gries: Everybody has their own individual card. Logging in on a PC might be good for some departments, especially if they're small, you know, and everybody knows that you're there.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Joe Gries: Again, the flexibility is there, I think.

President Kiefer: Okay, alright. Thank you. Is there any other discussion regarding this? Madelyn, did we have a first and a second already?

Madelyn Grayson: Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: I think that was a very good point Commissioner Abell made. It sounds like a good goal for us for 2014. With that, I'll vote yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, Commissioners, Old Courthouse lease renewal. David Miller and Toby Ellis for suite B4 for a period of three years at an annual rate of \$3,708. Joe, you had looked at this. This is in the basement area.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah.

President Kiefer: So, you know, this is a good deal. I think it's an increase from what they were paying before. I looked at it as well, and I think we're favorable for this. Is there any questions or comments from the Commissioners? Okay, I would like to have a motion to approve then.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you. County Attorney, legal services agreement. One year agreement, identical to 2013 agreement. The funding is in place in the Commissioners budget. I would just like to comment. Joe has been really good to work with, very knowledgeable, and I would like to see him continue on for another year.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Gladly say yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Congratulations! You're here with us for another year.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Thank you very much.

Commissioner Abell: You got drafted.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Enjoy it very much.

President Kiefer: Okay, Assessor, I see the Assessor is here today. Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals fee agreement. These are legal services agreement with Kahn Dees Donovan and Kahn to provide legal services for the Property Tax Assessment Board regarding a property tax appeal filed by Aztar with the Indiana Board of Tax Review. This should be, this is being paid from the Assessor's Reassessment Fund, or Reassessment budget.

Bill Fluty: That's correct.

President Kiefer: Also, I believe on here, I guess, should I do these separately, or just do them one at a time? We have the Pictometry International Corp agreement.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: You'll want to do them separate.

President Kiefer: Yeah, okay, we'll do these separately. If you would like to—

Bill Fluty: The first one is just actually a conflict of interest with Nick Cirignano who works with Ziemer Stayman Weitzel and Shoulders. So, we're moving over to have Kahn Dees do that work. It's at the IBTR stage, which is more formal proceedings. So, we would ask you to approve that.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, now we can go to the Pictometry International Corp. agreement. This is a three year agreement, photography imaging related software and support services at a cost of \$292,698.

Bill Fluty: Yeah, this is over a couple of years. You've seen this in the past. I think that all of you have been here long enough to even use it. It's a tool we've been using, or this office has been using even before I was there. This is the part, there

will be a new flyover coming early this, somewhere in between, around February when the foliage is still off. So, this is something that's been before you before. Then again, it is coming out of Reassessment.

President Kiefer: That's a great tool for many people just in the community, in business. This has been one of the best things, I think, for the Assessor's Office, and plus for the community. I'm very much favorable for this, because I actually use this all the time as a Realtor.

Bill Fluty: Well, the website is the most used—

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Bill Fluty: — has the most hits. It's like this information is what they do look like.

President Kiefer: Is there discussion? Questions? A motion?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Bill Fluty: One other thing, I heard you talking about KRONOS. I've been in communication with KRONOS, and I can update my office, which comes out of Reassessment. So, I do have that information ready for probably the next meeting. I'll send it over to Joe to see if it comes up, and it will come out of Reassessment. That gets me off XP, which I need to get off to upgrade that computer. Then, again, we always expected to pay it out of Reassessment money, not General Fund. We do have a good cost on it. I've talked to Joe, and I don't think it will affect the overall, what you're going to do later on.

President Kiefer: Bill, I appreciate that. You're always very progressive. Thank you.

Bill Fluty: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you very much for getting that. Thank you.

Bill Fluty: Thank you.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Department head reports. I see we have some department heads here. Anybody need to make a report? I know, John, you had several things.

John Stoll: The first item I've got is to request approval for some right-of-way offers on the Broadway and Johnson bridge and drainage project. We've got two parcels, they're both small. The first one is a request for a hundred dollar offer on the Nally property. The other one is for a \$630 offer on the Teague property. Both of those amounts were determined by the county's appraiser. In this case it was David Matthews Associates.

President Kiefer: Okay, can we get a motion for both the hundred and \$630 together?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Then, next, I've got a requested increase on the right-of-way on the Burkhardt-Virginia project. This is on parcel three. That was incorrect. I had sent out the e-mail earlier, I had listed it as parcel six. But, it's parcel three owned by Kooshtard Property Eight, LLC. The total amount for the relocation of the light poles is \$8,760. The increase is actually \$7,360, because there was an original offer amount of \$1,400 on the table. So, this is an increase of \$7,360, for a total of \$8,760 for the light pole relocation. I kind of stated that incorrectly in my e-mail I sent you earlier today, because I implied that the increase was \$8,700, but the increase is not, the total is \$8,760.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve the \$8,760 for the changes?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second. Is that standard what it cost to move something? I don't know.

John Stoll: This was based on an estimate that was provided by an electrician. So, the property owner obtained it because they contested the original offer amount. It sounded a little bit high to me, but I don't have much background in relocating parking lot lights.

President Kiefer: That doesn't sound unreasonable to me. I mean, some of the, I know what it cost when we were doing parking lot lights out there on that Shoe Carnival project, and it was more expensive than this. So, I think it sounds reasonable.

John Stoll: Okay.

President Kiefer: Is there a....did we already do a motion on this?

Madelyn Grayson: Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: The last two items are in regard to the reconstruction of Green River, between Millersburg and Kansas. The first request is for you to sign off on the cover sheet for the plans. Structurepoint provided the cover sheet, and we just need Commissioners signatures on it. Whenever the plans will be put together for the contractors to come in and pick them up.

President Kiefer: Okay.

John Stoll: Then the second is approval for a notice to bidders for the project. This would, like I said, be for the reconstruction of Green River to five lanes between Millersburg and Kansas. Our advertising dates would be the next two Fridays, and then the bids would be opened on February 11th.

President Kiefer: Can we do those motions together?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Why don't you do them separately.

President Kiefer: Okay, so we need a motion on the first one, which was the cover sheet.

John Stoll: Right.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Now we have a motion for the notice for the contracts.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: That's all I have, unless you've got any questions on anything.

President Kiefer: Well, back on the Burkhardt-Virginia, I know you've probably told us before, but what is the time line on that again?

John Stoll: From what CHA Consulting has said, we've got tentative verbal agreements with the two remaining property owners. I don't have any final documents on that, as of yet. I've worked with the County Attorney as far as some language revisions to the easements and things like that. If we can get those driveway documents finalized, we should be able to get that to construction this

summer. If not it should probably be this fall. If the construction is pushed out until this fall, we'll end up having some intermediate completion dates to make sure that the construction does not affect—

President Kiefer: Christmas shopping?

John Stoll: Correct.

President Kiefer: Okay. Alright, I thought about that this year when traveling Burkhardt Road.

John Stoll: We'd hoped to have had the project out in the spring and get it done prior to Christmas of 2014, but right now I would say we'll have to have an intermediate completion date that just requires all of the lanes to be open at the time the day after Thanksgiving rolls around.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you, John.

John Stoll: You're welcome.

President Kiefer: Appreciate it. Any other department head reports?

County Highway

President Kiefer: Pat? You've been a little bit busy the past couple of days.

Commissioner Abell: He's a walking zombie.

Patrick Seib: That's a very good description. Yes, we were busy just a little bit. Patrick Seib, County Highway Superintendent. I don't have any action items for the Commissioners tonight, but I would like to thank and recognize the work that my men and women out at the Highway Department did on this last storm. It could have been a lot worse. I know they were calling, I saw reports anywhere up to eight inches of accumulation. Thankfully a lot of it came in as rain early, but, with that being said, we had a lot of ice out there that we were fighting, and some pretty strong winds, and not to mention some bitter cold that led to some equipment failures. We worked our way through it, and they shouldered through it and did a heck of a job. So, almost all the credit goes to them, with some of the credit I would put on my immediate predecessors as Superintendent. I know Mike Duckworth did a lot to get our snow removal operations in the condition they are today. I know we use the beet juice that a lot of people get a kick out of when they hear, but if we didn't have that out there we would have been in a world of hurt when it came, especially with these temperatures. That treated salt that we put down, it worked through that ice like a hot knife through butter.

President Kiefer: Well, thank you for your service and work, and the crews. Like you said, everybody involved, both men and women, did a great job. Thank you.

Patrick Seib: Thank you.

Commissioner Melcher: The last e-mails we got, on your fuel pump, I mean the pump being frozen or whatever. Do you got that fixed?

Patrick Seib: Yes. Yes, we got it up and running. Long story short, it came down, it looks like we probably have some water either in the pump or in the meter. That will have to get fixed sometime. They'll have to take it apart, send some deicing or dewatering solution through it, but right now on the advice of the technician that had come out, we ran a hose from a truck exhaust into the cabinet, and that allowed the pump to thaw out and start getting gasoline through. So, we were cutting it close on when we were going to need to get some gasoline, but thankfully we got that working.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, that's, I got that hint out of your e-mail. I don't remember seeing anymore, then I had a couple of meetings. So, I didn't know where you were.

Patrick Seib: Yeah, we got it back working.

Commissioner Abell: I would just like to also, great job. I mean, I got out and the city streets were clean from the City Garage, the County Highway, the county highways were in good shape, I drove those. The State roads looked like they hadn't been cleaned yet. So, kudos to our local guys. You do a great job.

Patrick Seib: Well, we do what we can.

Commissioner Abell: You did a great job.

Commissioner Melcher: You've always done a good job out there.

Patrick Seib: Thank you.

President Kiefer: We appreciate it.

Patrick Seib: Alright, thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Anybody...I guess, that's it on department head reports.

Board Appointments

President Kiefer: Under board appointments, that's our next thing. We can look at that, Board of Health, I would like to re-appoint Catherine M. Engel for another four years to the Board of Health. Under Burdette Park Advisory Board; Steve Provost, Deanna Outlaw and Fred Padget for another one year.

Commissioner Melcher: Is that correct? I was thinking it was Gene Koch.

President Kiefer: Is it Gene Koch?

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, I think Deanna Outlaw's off, I think.

Commissioner Melcher: I think Deanna resigned or something. Gene Koch took it.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, that's right.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Gene Koch.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, I think that's right.

President Kiefer: Alright, no change, Gene Koch instead of Deanna Outlaw. On the Community Corrections Complex, we're going to reappoint then Candace Perry, Marty Amsler, Gerald Summers for four year terms. Then we still have quite a few vacancies on this, so, we'll have to address those at a later meeting. So, if anybody thinks of anybody that would like to serve on that, we could use a few more members. Construction and Roofing Board, Jeff Happe and Ron Dauby. Then, we'll still have one more to fill on that board. The Convention and Visitors Bureau, John Montrastelle for one year, for 2014. Then, I think that completes our appointments for that. Disability Services Advisory Board, I believe, Jill Trockman—

Commissioner Abell: She resigned, and we do have a vacancy—

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: – and I have an e-mail from Rob Kerney that I need to address.

President Kiefer: Right. Okay, so, we'll deal with that later.

Commissioner Abell: We'll do that later.

President Kiefer: Domestic and Sexual Violence Board, okay, it has my name here, and then, so I'll do that. EARC, Bill Nix, I haven't heard that he doesn't want to do it, does he?

Commissioner Melcher: I was thinking he resigned last year.

President Kiefer: Did he?

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, I think he did.

Commissioner Melcher: So, we don't have anybody for that board.

President Kiefer: We don't have anybody there? Okay, we'll have to address that later. Economic Development Coalition, Mike Hinton for an additional year. I'm sure he would be glad to continue on with that. Emergency Management Agency, are we good with Mark Merrill, Eric Williams, Sheriff Eric Williams, and Randy Gentry for another year?

Commissioner Abell: Well, I don't—

President Kiefer: Sheriff, do you have any input on that?

Eric Williams: No.

President Kiefer: Okay. Then, I'll just, I mean, unless you guys want to do something different on that, I'll make, I mean, I'll say that we'll continue with those appointments. Homeless Commission, we have, we probably have two people that...so, do you guys know anything about Craig Berkeley or Stephen Ralph?

Commissioner Melcher: Uh-uh, I don't.

Commissioner Abell: I don't.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Skip that one.

President Kiefer: Yeah, we'll get back on that one, because I noticed some of their expiration dates were 2010, so, I mean, obviously they....Human Relations Commission, we have two appointments there, and we're going to hold on making any appointments there until, we will have to get back on that one as well. ITAC, I'm assuming, Marsha, you want to continue on with ITAC?

Commissioner Abell: I guess. I'm certainly working, I'm working on that, yeah.

President Kiefer: Okay. I mean, I can hold off on that if you want.

Commissioner Abell: No, no. That's okay.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: I don't think it's going to be—

President Kiefer: Okay, Levee Authority, Mike Whicker for three years. Library Board of Trustees, do we want to do this?

Commissioner Abell: If he wants to stay, is he alright?

Commissioner Melcher: He's supposed to be appointed by the County Council.

President Kiefer: He's appointed by County Council, but we have Patrick Koontz, who's term expires, and that's a four year appointment.

Commissioner Abell: Have we heard from Patrick?

President Kiefer: I haven't heard from him.

Commissioner Abell: Have you heard from him, Kristin?

President Kiefer: Why don't we hold on this one.

Commissioner Melcher: I mean, we could check and see if the County Council has appointed him.

President Kiefer: Okay. MWBE, Carolyn—

Commissioner Melcher: You can skip that.

President Kiefer: Huh? Skip that one?

Commissioner Melcher: Uh-huh.

President Kiefer: Okay. Let's skip that one. Old Courthouse Foundation Board, I believe, Kristin, all of these people, Larry Bristow, Roger Lehman, Dave Rector and Ted Ziemer IV, are they okay, as far as you know, serving again?

Kristin Comer: As far as I know, yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, we'll make that appointment. There is one we are removing, that's Mary McCarthy. She didn't want to continue on in that capacity. So, we do have room for somebody, if there's anyone of interest. Pigeon Creek Greenway—

Commissioner Abell: Is anyone from the Bar Association on that? That would probably be somebody good to have on there.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Ted Ziemer IV.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, Ted Ziemer, yeah, that's right.

President Kiefer: Uh-huh, but it wouldn't—

Commissioner Abell: Oh, and Judge Heldt is on there too.

President Kiefer: Judge Heldt is on there as well, yeah. Pigeon Creek Greenway, we have Lester Steinmetz's appointment. I haven't heard, I don't know anything about—

Commissioner Melcher: I don't either.

Commissioner Abell: I don't either.

President Kiefer: Okay, we'll hold on that one, and then, Kristin, the ones that we're holding on, perhaps you can contact them to see if they're interested in serving for another year. Okay, then for the PTABOA, Joni Steinkamp and Dan Humphrey. Bill, is there any, are we good for those two? Or, do you have an issue with any of the names?

Bill Fluty: No issue.

Commissioner Abell: No issue.

Bill Fluty: I sent a letter up asking you to re-appoint Daniel Humphrey.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Bill Fluty: Joni said she would continue to serve, if I needed her, but asked me to look around for somebody else.

President Kiefer: So, we can hold on that one if you want us to.

Bill Fluty: If you can. If you would like to do that.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Bill Fluty: Hopefully, I've got some contacts out there, but haven't had anybody definite yet.

President Kiefer: Okay, so on this one, we're re-appointing Dan Humphrey, and we're leaving the other one vacant.

Bill Fluty: She'll continue to serve until you put somebody else in. So, it's not like she loses her place.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: She's in until she's out.

Bill Fluty: Yeah.

President Kiefer: She's in until she's out. Okay, got it.

Bill Fluty: I've got a meeting coming up in February, so, that's why I'm just hedging a little bit here, just depending on that.

President Kiefer: Okay. Thank you.

Bill Fluty: Okay, thank you.

President Kiefer: Redevelopment Authority, Jerry Lamb, Dan Carwile and Christine Gillenwater. We'll, I think I have a meeting scheduled with her, so I'll inform her of her appointment to that. Redevelopment Commission, Chuck Whobrey and Chris Kiefer, as a representative of EVSC. We do have one opening on the Redevelopment Commission. Then, finally, on Workforce Investment Board, Andy Goebel. I hadn't heard from him to know whether or not he wants to continue serving.

Commissioner Melcher: I don't know either.

President Kiefer: He does not?

Kristin Comer: No, we got no response.

President Kiefer: You got no response? Should we hold on that or go ahead?

Commissioner Abell: Hold on it.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Hold on.

Commissioner Abell: (Inaudible).

President Kiefer: Okay, alrighty. So, with all of those appointments, I would like to have a motion to accept.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: I'll second that, and, before we vote, I just wanted to, and, Kristin, I will forward this e-mail to you. I have an e-mail from Rob Kerney about the Disabilities Board. He has the names of two people that could serve. If you could contact them and let us know.

President Kiefer: That would be great. Alright, so we have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: I just want to comment that, you know, I do thank all the citizens and people that serve on these boards. It's time consuming and it's not always easy to make a bunch of meetings when you have other jobs. So, we do appreciate all of the board appointments.

New Business/Old Business

President Kiefer: New business? Is there any new business to discuss? Seeing none, old business?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Public comment from the enthralled audience out here? Okay.

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Madelyn, if you could read the consent items.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the January 7th meeting are as follows; approval of prior meeting minutes, we have the December 17, 2013 Commission minutes. Employment changes for the Commissioners approval; we have one for Burdette Park, two for the Commissioners, and three for the Health Department. The Commissioners have the AMR third quarter report and a semi-annual preventative maintenance for Old Courthouse HVAC. The County Surveyor has a request to surplus various office furniture. The Ozone Officer has a monthly report for November 2013. The County Highway has weekly reports for December 6th through 12th; December 13th through 19th; and December 20th through 26th. The County Auditor has approval of December 2013 A/P vouchers and a vacation rollover request. The County Clerk has the November 2013 monthly report. The County Treasurer has the 2013 investments and the November 2013 monthly report. The County Engineer has a department head report and pay request number 188 for TIF projects in the amount of \$1,485. There's an Old Courthouse craft show 2013 financial report and Weights and Measures monthly report for November 16th through December 15th.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: Move to approve.

President Kiefer: Is there a second?

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to adjourn?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the December 17, 2013 Commission Meeting Minutes.
AMR 3rd Quarter 2013 Report.
JE Shekell 2014 Semi Annual Preventative Maintenance Agreement for OCH.
OCH Craft Show 2013 Financial Report.
Weights & Measures Monthly Report: 11/16-12/15/13.

Employment Changes:

Health Dept. (3)	Commissioners (2)	Burdette Park (1)
Sheriff (3)	Prosecutor (1)	Circuit Court (2)
County Clerk (1)	Assessor (11)	

County Surveyor: Request to Surplus Various Office Furniture.

Ozone Officer: November 2013 Monthly Report.

County Highway: Weekly Reports: 12/6-12/12; 12/13-12/19 & 12/20-12/26/13.

County Auditor:

Approval of December 2013 A/P Vouchers.
Vacation Rollover Request.

County Clerk: November 2013 Monthly Report.

County Treasurer:

2013 Year-to-Date Investments.
November 2013 Monthly Report.

County Engineer:

Department Head Report.
Pay Request No. 188 for TIF Projects: \$1,485.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Joe Gries	Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer
Madelyn Grayson	Boscoe Wilhite	Ron London
Eric Williams	Gary Heck	Bill Fluty
John Stoll	Patrick Seib	Others Unidentified
Members of Media		

**VANDERBURGH COUNTY
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(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY 21, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 21st day of January, 2014 at 5:01 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good evening. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for January 21, 2014.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would like to ask Greg Hofmann to lead us in the Pledge.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much. Greg, appreciate that. If you wouldn't mind coming up and giving us the insurance update, under action items.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Oh, sorry. I forgot attendance roll call please. I'm new at this job.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here. Okay, now we can go.

Torian Hofmann Dillow & Flittner Insurance Update

Greg Hofmann: My purpose tonight is to provide a thumbnail summary of Vanderburgh County's property, liability and worker's compensation insurance program. Last fall when we were asked to provide a number for the budget, we estimated a five percent increase. In actuality, the February 1st renewal, has come in with a 2.03 rate increase. So, it's been a, it's an excellent renewal for the county. The premium also includes increasing the building values for replacement costs by \$5,413,849. So, that property value increase is also reflected in that premium. Again, we feel this is an excellent renewal in view that municipality insurance in the Midwest has increased by five to seven percent on average. This renewal pricing is the result of the work of the Commissioners and the employees of Vanderburgh County. The fact of them being proactive in providing a safe work environment and working safely. This results in an excellent claims history and the preferred pricing is reflected in this renewal.

President Kiefer: I appreciate that. I think with that you mentioned, you know, we've also increased our value of our property by over five million dollars.

Greg Hofmann: Over five million dollars increase in the property.

President Kiefer: So, that's pretty good. Any questions or comments from Commissioners?

Commissioner Abell: I have one question. Greg, I am assuming that our workman's compensation is what you were speaking of. It must be low on claims?

Greg Hofmann: Well, we've got a good claims history. The renewal, actually, within that total renewal of 2.03 percent, the actual worker's comp premium went up about seven percent. Again, that's a reflection of health care more so than it has been claims history. As you know, the health care program throughout the United States is in turmoil, and, again, we see it in pricing on automobile insurance, the cost of bodily injury, liability, we see it throughout the insurance environment. So, again, the actual claims history of the county has offset that worker's comp pricing, and we actually had discounted pricing on the property to offset that. The liability, we carry ten million, that was flat also, but, again, it's a reflection of the claims history of Vanderburgh County. If we had adverse claims history, we're going to see the premiums go higher. You're never going to see a big rate decrease, just because the numbers and the magnitude of the exposure in Vanderburgh County is such that it just doesn't happen. You don't look to say you get a 15 or 20 percent rate decrease in municipality insurance. It's just not there.

President Kiefer: But, Greg, this covers properties, vehicles, you know, all the—

Greg Hofmann: Right.

President Kiefer: — personal property of the county?

Greg Hofmann: (Inaudible) equipment, everything out at the Garage, the Sheriff's Department, computers, firearms, basically everything that's listed on the statement of assets of Vanderburgh County.

President Kiefer: Which is quite a large amount.

Greg Hofmann: Yeah, we try to review that to look for changes, etcetera, from that standpoint. Madelyn's always been very helpful in that area, as far as being an asset to help us.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. President, maybe we should send out an e-mail to our employees and thank them for trying to keep the claims down—

President Kiefer: That's a great idea.

Commissioner Abell: — and encourage them to go accident free this year, and try and keep our claims down for the next year.

President Kiefer: Kristin, if you'll help me, we'll draft a letter to send out by e-mail to all of the employees. Good suggestion. Thank you, Greg.

Greg Hofmann: Thank you.

Commissioner Melcher: Thank you.

**Road Race Road Closure Requests: USI Sports Management Club
Run of Luck 7K & Spring Into Fitness 10K**

President Kiefer: Okay, next on the agenda, road race requests. USI Sports Management Club, Spring Into Fitness, Saturday morning, April 12, 2014 in the vicinity of Burdette Park requiring the temporary closure of Broadway Avenue and Nurrenbern Road and Campground Road. I believe the Sheriff responded that this was okay and wasn't an issue. Good evening.

Glenna Bower: Good evening.

President Kiefer: Can you state your name for the record?

Glenna Bower: Okay. I'm Glenna Bower. I'm actually representing the Club. I'm the actual director of the running series, but I have students that are actually directors and oversee the entire Screaming Eagles running series. As you were, we're requesting approval for those two road races. As you mentioned, the Run of Luck is on March 15th, the Spring Into Fitness is on April 12th. You mentioned which roads...do I need to--

President Kiefer: Yeah, I think the second one was the, I mentioned the Spring Into Fitness, and the second one was the Run of Luck on the 15th of March.

Glenna Bowers: That's correct.

President Kiefer: That's the westside temporary closing of Schutte Road and Broadway Avenue.

Glenna Bowers: That's correct.

President Kiefer: So, we could probably vote on both of these together. Are there any, oh, yeah, and I believe you had certificates of insurance submitted?

Glenna Bowers: Yes.

President Kiefer: And those have been reviewed and approved?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, those are fine.

President Kiefer: Do the Commissioners have any questions?

Commissioner Abell: You might see if there is anyone in the audience with questions.

President Kiefer: Anybody in the audience?

Commissioner Melcher: I'll move a do pass for both of them.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call vote please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Glenna Bowers: Thank you.

President Kiefer: That was easy, wasn't it?

Glenna Bowers: Yes.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

2014 Board of Finance

President Kiefer: Good, now we have the County Treasurer, Board of Finance, Susie Kirk. I know you're always excited to come before the Commissioners.

Susie Kirk: Yes, I've been in anticipation all day today.

President Kiefer: Do you want to give us your report?

Susie Kirk: Okay, I'm Susan Kirk, and it is the time of year, thanks to Madelyn for reminding me, that we elect the President of the Finance Committee. Normally, you elect the Treasurer.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, this is going to be easy. I'll just make the motion to appoint Susie as President of the Finance Committee again.

Commissioner Abell: I'll second that.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Wholeheartedly, yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: That's exciting.

Commissioner Abell: Is this a draft? Is that what this is?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Then you need a secretary, right? For the board.

Susie Kirk: Well, we didn't do that before, but if you would like to name a secretary.

President Kiefer: Do you have a name for us to appoint?

Susie Kirk: Well, I think probably Joe would be the next one in line to be the secretary.

President Kiefer: There you go. Joe, are you accepting that? Okay, well then, is there a motion?

Commissioner Abell: I move that Joe Gries be the secretary.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, sure, I'll second that.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Susie Kirk: Okay, this means, Joe, from all of the meetings that we have, you will have to take the minutes, okay.

Joe Gries: We'll work very hard this year to make sure we do everything we need to do.

Susie Kirk: Thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Anything else you would like to report?

Susie Kirk: No, I think I'm happy. If you're happy, then I think that you guys may get out of here early tonight.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you very much.

Susie Kirk: If you can, turn the heat up outside a little bit.

Burdette Park Rates for 2014-2015 & 2016

President Kiefer: Okay, next on the agenda, Steve Craig with Burdette Park 2015 rates.

Steve Craig: Steve Craig, Manager of Burdette Park. Before you you should have proposed rates. It's actually for 2014, '15 and '16. The 2014 rates would be the aquatic center. There was one change that we suggested, and that was to raise the adults from \$7.00 a person to get in to \$8.00. The 2015, as you can see, we went down through the buildings and that and made some slight adjustments to them. These, we think, are needed because of, first of all, the utilities and that we're going to be aware that the water and the sewer and that's going to be going up. We figured we needed more money in there to cover our expenses anyway. The 2016 was for the Discovery Lodge, and that was the first one up there, because we rent it two years out in advance.

President Kiefer: Okay, any questions? I think the rate increases seem reasonable.

Steve Craig: Yeah, they're not bad at all. We're just trying to keep up with the utilities. I don't know if we can do that or not, but we may be, I don't know if we are, but we may be the largest user of water in Vanderburgh County. With the sewer rates for when you're outside the city going up the way they are, it's going to be something that we need to take a look at. So, I think a small raise in these areas would, you know, be—

President Kiefer: You do have a separate, do we have separate meters for, I mean, I guess what I'm saying is, you know, like in my home, if I'm running my hose outside it still goes toward the sewer. You know, they still count the volume of water toward the sewer, but, I'm assuming at Burdette that when you're filling up that doesn't start counting against sewer?

Steve Craig: We have several breakdowns. Some of them you pay, you know, for the water only. The other ones do have sewers. The ones that the water doesn't go into the sewer, it doesn't, you know, they don't charge us for that, but, the rest of the park, I mean, the buildings, the, you know, the restrooms, the offices and that, all of them use that. The pool, the large one that makes that loud noise when it's running—

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Steve Craig: – yeah, it's not on the sewer.

President Kiefer: Okay. That's good. Alrighty. Any questions?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for a do pass.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Steve Craig: One thing I would like to bring up, when the weather gets a little bit better and that, I want to invite you all out, I've already had Marsha out to see a project that we'd done last year. We finished the upside down house and the magical gardens. We're about 95 percent done with it, and we got an early winter, it snowed on us and that, but we'll have all of the landscaping finished, but it's really a neat project. Yesterday I was at the park and there was probably 20 people up there then using this feature. So, when you get a chance get a hold of me and we'll go take a tour of it.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Steve Craig: You all have a nice night.

President Kiefer: Appreciate it. Thank you very much.

Commissioner Abell: I did go out there and see the upside down house. It is absolutely the cutest thing you've ever seen. It's just, and they have nice little gardens and sitting area around it. If you have grandchildren or children you should take them out there. It's, I mean, they may want to take it home for their doll house. It's really, really cute.

President Kiefer: Is that on the website?

Steve Craig: It originally was when we were building it. I don't know if we have the finished product on there or not.

Commissioner Abell: Get us a picture, and we'll get it on the city-county website. That would be a good thing to have on the website.

Steve Craig: I'm going to have a ribbon cutting also, or some kind of thing to kick it off as soon as the weather does break, but we will get it on the website.

President Kiefer: Okay, yeah, let us know, and we'll be sure to be out there for the ribbon cutting.

Sheriff: 2013 Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement
EMA: Performance Grant Agreement
Commissioners: Veterans Council: OCH War Monuments Agreement
Commissioners: Novia Health Care Clinic Interlocal Agreement
County Assessor: KRONOS Agreement
County Assessor: DS Parker Family Assessor Services Agreement
Health Dept: MCH Grant Agreement
Health Dept: STD Grant Agreement

President Kiefer: Next, contracts, agreements and leases. Sheriff, Federal equitable sharing agreement and certification. This is the annual Federal equitable sharing agreement and certification regarding the accounting of Federal funds received and expended by the Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office during 2013. This agreement is an annual requirement by the Federal government. Joe, do you have any comments?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, I think it's in order. It's what they have to do each year at this time of year to account for the money, the federal funds that they've received.

President Kiefer: Okay, this is pretty simple. It's something we do every year. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, next, EMA 2013 EMA performance grant for \$5,179.77. This is a one year sub-grant agreement with the Indiana Department of Homeland Security for funds totaling the sum of \$5,179.77 to be utilized by the Emergency Management Agency. Is there anybody here to talk about this? Joe?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I don't think anybody from EMA is here.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: But, this is a smaller grant, I think it's for IT purposes, funds that they can expend.

President Kiefer: Right.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It's similar to what they get every year.

President Kiefer: Okay, discussion, questions? Is there a motion?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you. Under Commissioners, we have an agreement with the Veterans Council regarding the Old Courthouse war monuments from the Old Courthouse property to the Evansville riverfront plaza. The agreement sets forth the Veterans Council obligation in removing the war memorial monuments and landscaping in the areas at the Old Courthouse property where the war monuments once stood and the county's future rights with respect to the war memorial monuments. If you recall, we have already approved having these moved, but we asked them if they would kind of formalize our approving this with an agreement. Joe has drafted that up, they have agreed to it, and if everybody's ready, or, Commissioner Melcher, if you've got any questions.

Commissioner Melcher: No, I think there was a change or so and it's been done. Last week at our board meeting, the executive board of the Veterans Council we approved it already.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Melcher: So, if we approve it tonight, I'll call Mark Acker and have him get up here to sign the copies.

President Kiefer: Great. Any other discussion? Anybody from the audience? Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: Let me give you an update, I keep getting calls from media. We wanted to get this done before winter set in, now winter is in—

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Melcher: – so, I told some media today, they seen it on our thing

tonight, so, I told them we said it would probably be early spring. So, that's what we're looking at now, because we can't pour concrete or anything right now. So, as soon as we can we want to move so we'll be moving forward.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Appreciate that update. Can we have a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: That's good. Next, is the Novia Health Care Clinic interlocal agreement. This is a one year interlocal agreement between the City of Evansville, Vanderburgh County and the Evansville-Vanderburgh County Building Authority and the Evansville-Vanderburgh County Airport Authority concerning the upcoming opening of the healthcare clinic on the first floor of the Civic Center Complex on February 3, 2014. I know, Commissioner Abell worked very, very hard and diligently on this and put a lot of long, hard hours in. So, congratulations that we're finally getting this done. Do you have any comments that you would like to make?

Commissioner Abell: Just that there will be an open house the first of February I think or so. Is it scheduled for February 11th at 9:30, I think?

Joe Gries: I thought it was (Inaudible) than that.

President Kiefer: I could tell you, I've got it on my calendar.

Commissioner Abell: Maybe it is in the evening and then there's a ribbon cutting the next day.

President Kiefer: That is February 11th—

Commissioner Abell: Is the open house that evening?

President Kiefer: — yeah, it's the open house. I think it starts at 4:30.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

President Kiefer: And goes until 6:00, I think.

Commissioner Abell: We have a meeting that night. So, maybe we could go down either before or after. It's really a nice facility. I'm very proud of it. The whole county should be proud of what we've done here.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Is it still set to move from the current location?

Commissioner Abell: February 1st.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Or, February 3rd? The 1st is a—

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, but the 3rd will be the first day you can...they're moving over the weekend.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: So, it will be open to go on that Monday?

Commissioner Abell: Monday morning February 3rd.

President Kiefer: I did a walk through with Commissioner Abell, and I was really impressed too. I mean, it's just amazing how good the facility looks. I think there was concerns at first that people would have to walk through security, get, you know, strip searched or whatever, but, no, you don't have to. They've got an outside entrance for family members and other people that don't come into the Civic Center that are members. So, I think it's a good deal. I think once everybody uses it they're going to like it.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, I do too.

President Kiefer: So, thank you for your work on that. Appreciate that.

Joe Gries: President Kiefer? If I may, the county employees can also, right now, go onto the website, sign up, actually schedule appointments.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay.

Joe Gries: For February and on. So, there are employee meetings that are occurring, some today, tomorrow, the rest of the week. The information will be available on the Auditor's website, and we'll have information within the office.

President Kiefer: When are the employee meetings held tomorrow?

Joe Gries: Tomorrow, here in this room at 10:00 and 11:00.

President Kiefer: 10:00 and 11:00. So, everybody has a chance—

Joe Gries: Yes.

President Kiefer: — to learn more about that. Thank you. Thank you, Joe. I think we need, did we get a motion? So, we need a motion.

Commissioner Abell: I would like to move to accept it.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll be glad to second it.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes. I too want to thank Marsha for working a lot of hours, catching a lot of heat, and was able to get this done. So, thank you, Marsha. I vote yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Well, this is good. So, we can move on with that, and that's very exciting. Next on the agenda, County Assessor, the KRONOS workforce contract regarding the timekeeping system to be utilized by the County Assessor's office for the sum of \$4,795 for a period of one year. Is there somebody here to speak on this? I mean, obviously, Joe, you presented some stuff here earlier.

Joe Gries: Yeah, this actually is an upgrade for the Assessor's office. We're currently, anybody using KRONOS within the county is using what they call Timekeeper Central. This is an upgrade to Workforce Central. This is also what we're negotiating for the rest of the county. The Assessor's office just has the funds available and the timing to go ahead and move forward with this. It won't conflict with anything the rest of the county would be doing. We'll actually be able to fold all of this in. So, they wanted to move ahead with this. You know, I think it's something that the Commissioners have been interested in for awhile. We will be able to provide more information at the next meeting about the county-wide contract moving forward with an upgrade for the rest of the county next month.

President Kiefer: That sounds good. Any comments from the Commissioners? I'll ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Also under County Assessor, DS Parker Family LLC assessor services agreement. DS Parker, that's Steve Parker, will be paid \$37.50 per hour for such services. The contract amount should not exceed the sum of \$15,000. This will be paid from the County Assessor's reassessment budget. Then, also, for anybody that doesn't, or hasn't been aware of this, Mr. Parker has been providing these services in the past. He's got great credentials, you know, I believe he was a realtor, an appraiser, and other things. So, I think he's very appropriate to do this. I would like to see if there's any comments from the Commissioners? Is there a motion to pass?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: A second?

Commissioner Abell: I'm sorry, yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, we've got a first and a second. Okay, roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you. Next is the Health Department, a grant agreement, Title V, MCH block grant. A one year grant agreement with the State Department of Health in the sum of \$100,000 for funds to be used to improve high risk pregnancy situations. Gary Heck is here to talk about this.

Gary Heck: Gary Heck, Vanderburgh County Health Department. This is a renewal of an ongoing grant that the State has. It's on a federal fiscal year. It just took the State a little while to get it out to us. So, if you have any other questions, I would be happy to address them.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Are there questions, comments? Motion to pass?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second?

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, we have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Next is still with Gary Heck, the grant agreement A70-4-106095 STD. This is a one year agreement, grant agreement with the State Department of Health in the sum of \$100,000 to provide disease prevention and partner services for persons affected by certain STD related diseases. Gary?

Gary Heck: Yes, sir. This is a calendar year, this one's a little more timely than the previous grant. It's similar services to what we've been providing all along. We have two employees that are servicing this grant under this agreement.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Are there discussion or questions from Commissioners? Okay, I ask for a motion to do pass.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Gary Heck: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Gary. Appreciate it.

Gary Heck: Glad you're feeling better.

President Kiefer: Yeah, I am too. Thank you.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Next is department head reports. I see we have County Engineer, John Stoll, here.

John Stoll: I have two items this evening. The first is a right-of-way agreement for the Broadway and Johnson bridge and culvert replacement project. This is an agreement that provides for the property owners at the southeast corner of Broadway and Johnson, which is Steve and Linda Vessel, to have an encroachment agreement over the top of the new culvert structure the county will put in. In exchange for that, then the right-of-way that we need for the project is being donated. I worked with the County Attorney on the agreement, and everything was approved by Joe. So, I would request approval.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there discussion?

Commissioner Abell: I just forwarded to you an e-mail that I got, and I also sent it to the County Attorney. One of the people there has some questions about the letter that they got regarding that.

John Stoll: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Somebody on Johnson Lane.

John Stoll: Was it Nalley?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes.

John Stoll: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: So, if you would address that and answer them.

John Stoll: Sure.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion for a do pass?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: The other item I have is just to get it on record as far as who responded to the RFP we had out for bridge inspection services. We received proposals from American Structurepoint, Bernardin Lochmueller and Associates, CHA, Clark Dietz, Jansen and Spaans and United Consulting. I need to get a little bit more data from INDOT in regard to the past performance scoring, but then I can get with each of the Commissioners regarding how we proceed as far as making the selection. I know Commissioner Melcher has dealt with selections on Federal aid projects before, but Commissioner Abell and Commissioner Kiefer have not yet. So, once I get–

President Kiefer: Okay, so we don't need to vote on anything at this point?

John Stoll: No, I just wanted to get it on record who responded.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

John Stoll: That's all I had.

Commissioner Abell: I have something for you, Mr. Stoll.

John Stoll: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Could you tell me, or could you get with Mr. Harrison and let the three Commissioners know, if we were so inclined to change the name of one of our county roadways, what we would have to do to make that happen?

John Stoll: Sure.

Commissioner Abell: So, if you would let me know as soon as possible.

John Stoll: It's been a while since I've dealt with that, but I'm sure we could find the process again.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

John Stoll: Thanks.

President Kiefer: Thank you, John. Appreciate it. Is there any other department head reports? I don't see anybody else out here.

New Business

President Kiefer: Is there new business?

Commissioner Abell: I have something that I just wanted to brag on somebody for, since I've got a television camera. This is the national magazine from the

Association of Realtors. Not local, not state, but national, and that picture is a girl that works at F.C. Tucker Realty. Her name is Rhodes, Kristina Rhodes. She's a realtor, and she donates so much of her time to help children with terminal illnesses, and she was awarded the Good Neighbor Award from the Association of Realtors nationally.

President Kiefer: Wow!

Commissioner Abell: At their national convention last month. We should all be proud that she's a member of our community. Interesting, you know, when people talk about the differences of the different states, a lot of the people nominated in the top ten were from the Midwest. Not from the East Coast, not from the West Coast, but from the Midwest, and one of the top ten was from Terre Haute. So, to get two out of our state is remarkable, and one of our local girls won the award. So, we're real proud of her, and just thought she needed the recognition.

President Kiefer: What was her name again?

Commissioner Abell: Kristina Rhodes.

President Kiefer: Okay, great, Kristina Rhodes. Kristin, maybe we could send her a letter of congratulations. If you don't mind helping me draft that and get that out to her. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: That would be very nice.

President Kiefer: Here you go.

Old Business

President Kiefer: I have a...well, I guess, we could move on out of new business. Is there old business? Okay, no old business?

Board Appointments

President Kiefer: Under board appointments, I guess, I have a question. You dropped off this here saying that William Fluty requested Robert Wathen be on the board appointments. Is this, are we doing this in the consent agenda, or are we doing this in—

Commissioner Abell: Board appointments.

President Kiefer: Yeah, okay. So, do you have that list of board appointments that we're going to make tonight? I don't have that list with me. I apologize for the delay here. Okay, we're going to make a few board appointments here tonight. I would like to, and can I do them all and then we'll vote on them all together at the same time? Okay. For the Burdette Park, I would like to appoint Jan Davies. For the Disability Board, Josh Miller. Are we okay with Reverend Arnold—

Commissioner Melcher: Uh-huh. No, not that one. That one.

President Kiefer: Just Reverend Arnold? Okay, on the Human Relations Commission, I would like to appoint Reverend Arnold. On the Library Board, I would

like to appoint Koontz, Patrick Koontz. On the Greenway Board, I would like to appoint Tammy LaGrange¹. Then, on the PTABOA appointment, now, do we have two or one on that that we're going to appoint?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Just one.

President Kiefer: Just one? I think I'm going to hold on this one and we'll come back to that next time. Redevelopment Commission, Kirk Knight–

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, not yet.

President Kiefer: – okay, Kirk Knight, and then the other one we'll come back to at the next meeting. Then, the EARC is Greg Goffinet.

Commissioner Abell: Goffinet.

President Kiefer: Goffinet, okay. Then we'll come back to these, the other ones at the next meeting. Is there a motion to approve those board appointments?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you very much.

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Okay, next, under public comment, I would like to make a public comment. A lot of times people don't realize a lot of work that goes into these board appointments, but then also into these elected positions. Sometimes these elected positions then appoint people to positions that really require a lot of work, and I just want to publicly thank Marsha Abell for her past two years of service. I know Commissioner Melcher feels the same way, but, you know, I would like to say thank

¹Should be Tammy Dexter.

you for your service these past two years. We have something we would like, Steve and I have something we would like to present to you.

Commissioner Abell: Really? I'm surprised.

President Kiefer: If you would come up here. This says; "Marsha Abell, in appreciation for your service as President of the Board of Commissioners of Vanderburgh County, 2012 and 2013."

Commissioner Abell: Well, thank you.

President Kiefer: We would like to thank you for your service.

Commissioner Abell: Thanks. I wasn't expecting this.

President Kiefer: Commissioner Melcher, I don't know if you want to—

Commissioner Abell: Thanks. Thanks, Steve.

(Applause)

President Kiefer: And, I know Joe Harrison also probably wanted to say thank you as well and everybody else. It is a lot of work and it does take a lot of time, and I feel like if I can just do half of what Marsha did, then I'll feel like I've done a good job.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, I would like to say something too. Being President is really hard. I had President one year and Vice President one year when we were the majority, but what I liked about Marsha, Marsha made sure that we worked together. We didn't go R's and D's up here, we did what we thought was right for the community, and Joe is the same way. So, I think us three working together is what's helped us with our accomplishments, where we are today. It was all lead, at that time, by Marsha. Marsha, I much appreciate that you always sought out my input, and I think that means a lot to me, considering that didn't happen when I was in the majority. So, I do want to thank you for that, and we'll just move on and hope Joe can fill part of your shoes.

President Kiefer: Yeah, like I said, if I can do fifty percent, I'm hitting my stride. Anyway—

Commissioner Melcher: And, I think Marsha and I will help you along.

President Kiefer: Yeah, thank you. Anyway, we appreciate your service and I wanted to say thank you.

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Okay, next is the consent items, and if you could read those. I guess, out of that we can probably remove the PTABOA appointee portion of it.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the January 21st meeting are as follows; approval of prior minutes, we have the January 7, 2014 Commission meeting minutes. The employment changes for the Commissioners approval, we have one for the Health Department. The County Commissioners have the Bohannon Estates

authorized signatures for payment request for the Economic Development Coalition. The Building Commission has amendment number one for the Vanderburgh County flood buyout. The County Treasurer has the December 2013 monthly report. The County Assessor has an ONB Plaza fee waiver request. The County Highway has weeks in review for December 27th through 31st, 2013 and January 1st through 10th, 2014. The County Clerk has the December 2013 monthly report. The County Engineer has their consent agenda and department head report and pay request number 189 for TIF projects in the amount of \$3,745. Weights and Measures has the monthly report from December 16, 2013 through January 15, 2014. The IBAP Gatekeeper January 9, 2014 meeting minutes and periodic report.

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: We have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, that was great. Any other comments before we ask to adjourn? Okay, is there a motion to adjourn?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the January 7, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.
Bohannon Estates Authorized Signatures for Payment: Econ. Dev. Coalition.
Building Commission: Amendment #1: Vanderburgh County Flood Buyout.
Weights & Measures: Monthly Report: 12/16/13-1/15/14.
IBAP Gatekeeper January 9, 2014 Meeting Minutes & Periodic Review.

Employment Changes:

Health Department (1)	DADS (1)	Circuit Court (1)
Legal Aid (2)	Sheriff (2)	

County Treasurer: December 2013 Monthly Report.

County Assessor: ONB Plaza Fee Waiver Request.

County Highway: Weeks in Review: 12/27-31/13 & 1/1-1/10/14.

County Clerk: December 2013 Monthly Report.

County Engineer:

Consent Agenda & Department Head Report.
TIF Pay Request No. 189: \$3,745.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Joe Gries	Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer
Madelyn Grayson	Greg Hofmann	Glenna Bower
Susie Kirk	Steve Craig	Gary Heck
John Stoll	Others Unidentified	Members of Media

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**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FEBRUARY 11, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 11th day of February, 2014 at 5:04 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good evening. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for February 11, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Could you please take attendance?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here. Thank you.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: Next, I would like for us to do the Pledge of Allegiance.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much.

**Permission to Open Bids: VC14-01-01:
Green River Road Reconstruction: Phase V**

President Kiefer: I would like to get permission to open bids for VC14-01-01, Green River Road reconstruction, phase V.

Commissioner Abell: Move to...so moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: So, Joe, if you would open those and then report back to us later. Thank you.

USI Dogtown Bike Ride: April 5, 2014

President Kiefer: Under action items, we have a road race request. The USI Dogtown bike ride on April 5, 2014. This is a bike race sponsored by USI, which will take place between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. along Burdette Park bike trail and in the Union Township-Dogtown area. Approximately 250 bikers are anticipated for the event, but this will not require the closure of any county roads. USI has submitted the appropriate insurance coverage documentation, and the Sheriff and County Attorney have both reviewed and given their approval. Is there anybody here from the road race that would like to speak?

Jon Bosley: I'm here for the road race.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, come on up and give us your name and address and make a few comments, if you would like.

Jon Bosley: My name is Jon Bosley. Do you want my home address?

President Kiefer: Sure, thank you.

Jon Bosley: 1009 N. Alvord, Evansville, Indiana. So, basically, what we're trying to do here is work with the Sports Management Club of USI, give them the opportunity to get some experience and give them further opportunities to get scholarships and work experience. So, we're not looking to close down any roads. Check in and all of that will be on USI property. Then, on the map that was given, the end point would be the turn around point where we would have volunteers at each, as well as at each intersection and what not.

President Kiefer: Is this the first year for this race?

Jon Bosley: This is going to be the first year yes.

(Phone ringing.)

Commissioner Melcher: Wow! I'm sorry. I thought I had turned that off.

President Kiefer: See the excitement it generates?

Jon Bosley: I know. It's great!

President Kiefer: Well—

Commissioner Melcher: It scared me.

President Kiefer: – do any of the Commissioners have any questions?

Commissioner Melcher: I had it turned off.

Commissioner Abell: I don't.

President Kiefer: I would look for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Congratulations! Look forward to the results of it, and probably see you here next year.

Jon Bosley: Alright. I appreciate it.

President Kiefer: Thanks.

Jon Bosley: Thank you.

<p>First Reading of Ordinance CO.02-14-002: An Ordinance Amending Zoning Code: Chapter 17.36.020</p>

President Kiefer: Well, I would like to move on to the first reading of CO.02-14-002, amending the Vanderburgh County zoning code. I guess, you've got some, Ron, you've some comments you would like to talk about.

Ron London: Yes. Ron London, Area Plan Commission Director. Tonight, what I bring before you is an update of the current ordinance that we have on the books. Basically, what this, what this does, just to give you a little background information, what we have is what we call the Site Review Committee. Anyone coming in, small or large business, it doesn't matter, what we've done is we've put a format together for the businesses to be able to come to one location and to, basically, have several members on our Site Review Committee, which would include the Area Plan

Commission, Building Commission, the County Surveyor, County Engineer, Evansville Water and Sewer and members of the Health Department in one location, so that these businesses wouldn't have to go find these people separately. They would be able to come to one location, and we would be able to hear about their project and give them an approval. So, what this ordinance updates are the members of the Site Review Committee. It also removes the requirement for, whenever you come in for a project for an apartment complex or a condominium complex you not only have to go to the Site Review Committee, but you also have to go to what is called the Subdivision Review Committee. Site Review meets weekly, Sub Review meets once a month. What we've done is we're eliminating that extra month waiting time that that person would have to come in to do an apartment complex. So, basically, you could come in on a Tuesday and get your apartment complex or condominium heard the following Monday.

President Kiefer: Well, Ron, I really appreciate it, because, I think, Area Plan has really demonstrated effort to make things easier for development and businesses and people wanting to come to Evansville. I really appreciate this change. I think it's going to be good for the community and good for economic development. Are there any questions from County Commissioners? Is there any public comment regarding this?

Commissioner Abell: This is first reading. The second reading would be in two weeks?

President Kiefer: Right, this is the first reading.

Ron London: Just so you know, this format was approved last night at City Council to send it to final reading too.

President Kiefer: Right. So, we'll come back for a final reading in two weeks then.

Ron London: Yep.

President Kiefer: Well, I would like to ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: I move to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Alright, Ron, appreciate it.

Commissioner Abell: Ron, I echo what Joe Kiefer said, because we've had these discussions, you and I have—

Ron London: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: – (Inaudible). It was your format when you came to work here that you were going to streamline this process. I think you're showing us that you are. I hope business is happy to see this.

Ron London: Well, I appreciate it.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

Ron London: Alright. Thank you.

Commissioner Melcher: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thanks, Ron. Keep up the good work. Appreciate it.

Permission to Advertise: 2013 Statement of Receipts & Expenditures

President Kiefer: Next is the contracts, agreements and leases.

Commissioner Melcher: County Auditor.

Madelyn Grayson: You missed one.

President Kiefer: Oh, I did. Thank you. I'm going to back track here. Next is County Auditor, permission to advertise 2013 statement of receipts and expenditures. Joe, sorry I skipped you.

Joe Gries: That's alright. This is something we do every year. It's required by State statute. The county has to advertise all of the previous year's receipts and expenditures, wages for employees for all funds. So, this is something we do every year and is required.

President Kiefer: Okay, do we need some kind of motion for this?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: I'll second. How much does this cost us to do this? Do you know?

Madelyn Grayson: Last year I think it was around \$700-\$800.

Commissioner Abell: Less than \$1,000?

Madelyn Grayson: It's been over \$1,000 before, but last year they got it a little more streamlined.

Commissioner Abell: Good. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay, any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Congratulations, Joe.

Joe Gries: Thank you.

**2014 METS West Connection Agreement
OCH Lease Renewal: Erin Ivie
OCH Lease: Simply Savvy Photography
Health Dept: Xerox Lease Agreement
Health Dept: NACCHO Grant Agreement
County Assessor: Orthoimagery Services Agreement
County Assessor: Amended KRONOS Agreement
County Auditor: Maximus Cost Allocation Plan Contract**

President Kiefer: Contracts, agreements and leases; Commissioners, 2014 METS West Connection agreement. This is a subsidized public transit agreement for METS bus service to USI for approximately 31 weeks during the regular school year from various locations on the west side of Vanderburgh County. The cost is \$25,000, which is the same as last year. As everyone knows, it's important that we work with our university to get public transportation into the county to the university. USI also pays a pretty good chunk. Joe, do you know what dollar amount they pay? I know it's greater than what we pay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think it's over \$100,000.

President Kiefer: Yeah, I knew it was something. So, over \$100,000. So, what we're paying is a small component of the overall cost. Anyway, I'm in favor of this. I would like to ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Is there any further discussion? Public comment? Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you. Next is Old Courthouse leases. There's several here. The first one is Erin Ivie, suite 111 renewal. It's for a one year lease renewal. It runs from February 1, 2014 through January 31, 2015. Monthly rent payments will remain the same and made to the county in the amount of \$613. Second is Simply Savvy Photography, LLC and Kayla Jean's Photography, LLC lease agreement for suite 114. This is a one year lease. It runs from February 15, 2014 to February 14, 2015. Monthly rent payments will made to the county in the amount of \$852.66. Can we do both of these at the same time? Or should we do them separately?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, if you would, do them separately, please.

President Kiefer: Okay. So, I would like to have a motion on the first one, which is the Erin Ivie, suite 111 renewal.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, we have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, now the second one was the Simply Savvy Photography, LLC and Kayla Jean's Photography, LLC, lease agreement for suite 114.

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Then maybe, Kristin, I would like to, at some point, get an update to show us...because I think we're getting pretty leased up. I mean, we're getting pretty far along on our leases. I don't know how much vacancy we have, but it would be nice to get a tally there.

Kristin Comer: I'll get that to you.

President Kiefer: Thanks. Next is the Health Department Xerox contract. I see Mr. Heck is here to discuss that.

Gary Heck: Gary Heck, Vanderburgh County Health Department. This agreement is between the county and Xerox. It's for three new copy machines. This is a lease agreement. It is to replace machines that are over ten years old. The cost of this lease will be, for all three of them, will be \$90.94 per month, which is less than what we're paying in maintenance agreements on the three machines that we have right now. So, it's a great deal for the Health Department. We have money in our budget, and I would ask you to approve it for us.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there discussion amongst the Commissioners?

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you, Gary. Next is the NACCHO grant agreement, contract number MRC14-2470. A grant in the amount of \$3,500 to assist the Health Department with efforts by the local civilian Medical Reserve Corps volunteers. I believe that runs from 12/20/13 till 7/31/14.

Gary Heck: Yes, this is a non-competitive grant that, if you are, or if you have a Medical Reserve Corps unit, this is support funding that allows you to help offset the cost to do training and to stand up volunteers should we ever need them in a public health emergency. We've had a similar grant to this in previous years, and it does help us pay for things that's associated with the training and having the volunteers in place. So, we would appreciate it if we can get this approved as well.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Any discussion?

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Gary Heck: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Appreciate it. Next, the County Assessor, professional services contract EDS # D20-1-6851 for the purchase of an orthoimagery related products for the County Assessor's office. The cost is \$31,698.04. Under the contract, orthoimagery and other related products will be provided to the County Assessor's office for duties required by the State project. We have Bill Fluty here to explain further.

Bill Fluty: Yes, Bill Fluty, County Assessor. This is a contract that we would like to enter into for the flyover. It's going to benefit county offices, along with Area Plan and the Building Commission and other offices within the city and the county. Even though I'm going for the \$31,000, I expect to be reimbursed by the city for half of it, but I have my money in place and budgeted, and they'll pay us back later in the year.

President Kiefer: That sounds good.

Bill Fluty: So, I would ask for approval.

President Kiefer: Is there any discussion? Okay, I'll ask for a motion then.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, we have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next is the amended KRONOS agreement. This is a revised version of the agreement that was approved at the 1/17/14¹ Commissioners meeting. The new agreement cost is \$7,795, plus a \$180 monthly fee. This is a thousand dollars less than the previously approved contract. Bill, I gotta say thank you. You know, you get a contract signed, you come back and get a better deal for us. I like it.

Bill Fluty: Well, that's the good news. That's why I'm back today, because we did negotiate it down a thousand dollars and I want to re-enter it.

President Kiefer: Sounds like an easy one. Is there a motion?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please, Madelyn.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

¹Should be 1/21/14.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much.

Bill Fluty: Thank you.

President Kiefer: County Auditor, the Maximus cost allocation plan contract. A three year agreement for consulting services. The cost is \$31,200 for three years. Joe, you can give any additional comments.

Joe Gries: Sure. This is something that we have had in place for a long time. The Commissioners have approved this contract in the past. This service that we get from Maximus, they find, produce a cost allocation plan that finds funds for the County General Fund that were expended for Title IV-D purposes. So, because the county goes through the process to work the Title IV-D process, we are allowed to recoup these expenses. Maximus provides that service. This increase, or this contract has a slight increase of about two percent in the cost, and the benefit to the county is about \$300,000 each year to the General Fund. Mr. Harrison has reviewed the contract, and we would ask that it be approved.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Is there any questions? Comments? Okay, I would ask for a motion please.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Next is department head reports. I see we have our County Engineer, John Stoll, here. He always has lots of good stuff for us.

John Stoll: Good evening. First I've got a revised right-of-way offer on the Broadway and Johnson project, actually there are two of them. The first one is on the Nally property. I'm requesting that the offer amount be increased to \$600. Mr. Nally has contacted us and said he would sign off on the right-of-way subject to that increase.

President Kiefer: Okay. Questions, discussion? Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Then, the second property is the Teague property, and that owner has requested an increase to \$850. Again, they have said that they would sign the permanent temporary right-of-way needed for the project, subject to that increase. So, I would request approval on that one as well.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Discussion? I see you're itching here.

Commissioner Abell: I just, I don't get it. Why would we pay one one figure and one the other?

John Stoll: There's—

Commissioner Abell: Other than one wants something and one wants something else?

John Stoll: The acreages are different. One has permanent and temporary, and the other one is just temporary.

President Kiefer: Okay. Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Next I have a change order on the Highway 41 and I-64 utility project. This is for an increase of \$685, and this was to install a red warning light on the exterior of the lift station. The light was not included in the original plans and specs, but it was a requirement based on the inspections by the Water and Sewer Dept. So, I would request approval of the change order.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes, oh, abstain. I abstain. Thank you. Thank you for reminding me.

(Motion approved 2-0. Commissioner Kiefer abstained.)

President Kiefer: So, two yes' and one abstention. Alrighty.

John Stoll: The last item I've got is in regard to the Franklin Street bridge. I've got a supplemental agreement with Bernardin Lochmueller and Associates. They've got an existing contract on the Franklin Street bridge to do some inspection and design of the bridge bearings. About a week and a half ago there was a fire underneath the bridge, and we would like to expand the scope of their work to include an inspection for making sure that there was no structural damage associated with that fire. It appears that it's just paint that's blistered, but better safe than sorry, and I would like to expand the scope to include this. The fee will be \$3,400.

President Kiefer: Okay, that sounds reasonable. Discussion?

Commissioner Melcher: No, except I went by there when all of that was happening and I was trying to figure out what was going on. There was police, fire truck.

President Kiefer: Okay, I'll ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second. We already had, they already had the contract on this.

John Stoll: Correct.

Commissioner Abell: We're just, this isn't a new contract.

John Stoll: Right, we're amending their existing one.

President Kiefer: Okay. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: That's all I have unless you've got questions on anything.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, where are we on the State wanting us to designate University Parkway as a truck route? We just (Inaudible) that.

John Stoll: Just holding off on that for now until we find out whether or not the State has any plans to do anything with the interchange. Based on the last e-mail we received from INDOT, they don't have any current plans. So, as you correctly pointed out, routing trucks down there and then having them sit, because they can't cross the opposing traffic wouldn't be a good idea.

Commissioner Abell: That won't do it. I mean, there's no sense in doing something they aren't going to do.

John Stoll: Right.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, well, let us know if INDOT changes their mind.

Commissioner Melcher: We've already got farmers waiting a half an hour.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

John Stoll: Like I said in an e-mail to Marsha, I had forgotten all about that, but I've heard from several of them as well. So, I understand.

Commissioner Melcher: Yeah, and I sent you an e-mail too.

John Stoll: Yep.

Commissioner Abell: But, I did go on Middle Mt. Vernon Road, and it is tearing that road up, just past University Parkway, weaving around through there. It's the corner, you can really see, it's—

John Stoll: None of those roads are wide enough to handle truck traffic, but short of following the trucks to make sure they don't have a local delivery, there's no real good way of verifying that they are through trucks. We don't, because University Parkway is not signed, we really don't have any signed truck routes out there. So, for the time being, I told the MPO we would just put it on hold until we see something potentially change at the interchange. Right now there's nothing on the books for that.

Commissioner Abell: Maybe the MPO could twist a couple arms and get some intersection work done out there.

John Stoll: That would be nice.

Commissioner Abell: That would be nice. Okay, thank you.

John Stoll: Thanks.

President Kiefer: Good point. Thanks for bringing that up.

Board Appointments

President Kiefer: Next is board appointments. I would like to appoint a couple of boards here; William Alexander to the Construction and Roofing Board; Erica Cole to the Disability Services Advisory Board; Stephen Ralph to the Coalition to End Homelessness; Rick Kuebler to the Human Relations Commission; Katy Grant to the Legal Aid Society; and Robert Wathen to the Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals. Is there a motion to accept these appointments?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Any discussion? Okay, thank you. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Regarding this, we still need appointments, we need four to the Community Corrections, one to the Coalition to End Homelessness, but the difficulty there is it has to be a credit counselor; then, one to the MPO, one to the MWBE, and one to the Old Courthouse Foundation, but the catch there is it has to be a financial manager, and then finally we need one to the Redevelopment Commission. So, we need to work on those, and maybe we can get some more appointments made at the next meeting.

County Attorney

President Kiefer: Now I would like to ask Joe to read the results of the earlier opening.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: On the bids that were submitted on Green River Road reconstruction, phase V, there were four bids that were submitted. Let me make sure I didn't miss something here. Yes, four, the first bid received was Blankenberger Brothers, that bid amount is \$5,596,800.39. That's five, five, nine, six, eight, zero, zero point three nine. The second bid is from Deig Brothers Lumber and Construction. The bid amount is \$5,720,636.75. Again, that's five, seven, two, zero, six, three, six point seven five. The next bid, E&B Paving. That bid amount is \$5,305,000. Five, three oh five, zero, zero, zero, zero, zero. The final bid is from Ragle, Inc. The bid amount, \$5,989,432.83. That's five, nine, eight, nine, four, three, two point eight three. I would ask that these bids be taken under advisement.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll move that we take the bids under advisement.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion?

Commissioner Abell: I have a question, what part of Green River Road is this?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: This is phase V, this would go from what, Millersburg up to—

John Stoll: Kansas.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: — Kansas?

Commissioner Abell: Up to Kansas? Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes, I'm sorry.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: We're going to take that under advisement, and John will report back to us later.

New Business

President Kiefer: New business, we have a letter to Governor Pence regarding the business personal property tax. I think we've all, at one time or another, have talked to Joe Harrison about us putting a letter to send up to the Governor, and I know Senator Becker asked for a copy as well. This is to oppose the proposed business personal tax, because we feel like this could hurt us running local government. Joe, do we need to read that letter out loud? Or, just go ahead and...how do we want to proceed on that?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: If you, that's up to you. That's up to the Commission. I can read it quickly, or you can read it.

President Kiefer: Yeah, if you've got that handy.

Commissioner Abell: I've got it.

Commissioner Melcher: I've got it right here.

President Kiefer: Oh, here we go. Commissioner Melcher had it.

Commissioner Melcher: Yep, let Joe read it.

President Kiefer: Yeah, Joe, here you go.

Commissioner Melcher: He wrote it.

Joe Harrison, Jr.:

"Dear Governor Pence: We are writing to express Vanderburgh County's strong opposition to any and all legislative proposals which seek to eliminate or reduce Indiana's business personal property tax. It is our understanding that the abolishment of the business personal property tax will result in Vanderburgh County losing approximately \$5 million a year in tax revenue. As you know, Vanderburgh County already has the option to offer business personal property tax abatement, and frequently does so in order to promote economic development in our area. However, Vanderburgh County simply does not want to be told how to run our county. Unfortunately, if Vanderburgh County loses the annual business personal property tax revenue, services will most likely suffer. The State of Indiana's property tax caps have already reduced the amount of tax revenues that Vanderburgh County receives, so please do not make things even worse for us. We ask that you please take a further look at your proposal to eliminate the business personal property tax and work with local governments, like

Vanderburgh County, to see if there is a better way to encourage future economic growth in Indiana.”

President Kiefer: I would just like to comment that we, when Joe and I were talking about this, you know, I wanted to strongly word this because it's, you know, it sounds strong and I think I want it, I mean, I know all the Commissioners, I hope, wanted to do this, but, I mean, if we lose \$5 million, I mean, that's going to really, really hurt local county government. I know the both of you would probably like to make a comment.

Commissioner Melcher: The only thing I would like to say is, you know, Mayor Winnecke has already been up there twice, I think, on this issue, talking about it, because they're going to lose around \$8 million or something, I think. So, that's a lot of money. Right now I do know that a version came out of the House and a version came out of the Senate, and they're both of them different. So, now we still don't know what we're getting. One of them says that theirs is better because they'll be able to put it back on the county and let the county decide how they want to handle it. Then the other one talks about maybe what they can do is let every county decide on their own if they want to do something. Well, then what happens if one county does and the three counties around us don't, or vice versa, well, that's going to be unfair competition.

President Kiefer: Well, I think in effect we already have—

Commissioner Melcher: So, I don't even know why that was passed. The tax abatement is already there.

President Kiefer: Yeah, that's what I'm saying. We already have that ability.

Commissioner Melcher: So, if they're going to pass something like this, then they need to send the revenue to cover it.

Commissioner Abell: Well, I'm the Commissioners appointment to the Economic Coalition Board, and the board has already gone on record against this. That board is made up of a lot of businesses, as a matter of fact, almost every business is represented on that board, and in the discussion that we had around the table at our last meeting, that personal property tax is not that big of an impact to them. They are more concerned with having a good, skilled workforce than they are worried about their personal property tax. So, I think that the Governor has been ill advised to think that that is a number one issue with businesses, because I, from what I'm hearing from businesses that is not a number one issue with them.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, from what I've heard from businesses and what I've seen it's like number seven. When you get down to number seven or eight, you know, you've done passed the competition level. So, the top one is what you're talking about is skilled force, and utilities, infrastructure stuff like that.

President Kiefer: I'm sure the Governor is well-intentioned, but, I think, local people and local businesses will appreciate having good, high quality police services, good, high quality parks, you know, roads being taken care of, pot holes being, I mean, there's so many things that, you know, \$5 million can cover, I think it's critical that we keep our quality services up here in Vanderburgh County. With that, I would like to ask for the motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: I've signed this and I will pass it around for signature.

Old Business

President Kiefer: Is there any old business?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Is there any public comment?

Randy Jones: Can I ask a question?

President Kiefer: Sure, come on up. Just give us your name and address please.

Randy Jones: Randy Jones, Oak Hill Road, Evansville, Indiana.

President Kiefer: What can we do for you today?

Randy Jones: I'm on several blogs. I'm building several political web pages right as we speak now. I've got a question, the number one question it seems that's being asked, and I know you covered this, I wasn't here for that meeting. The Old National Bank renaming the Centre the Old National Events Center, how much did they actually pay for doing that? How much is the county getting for that?

President Kiefer: Joe, do you want to answer the dollar amounts involved?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, the county's going to receive new signage, a message board, probably worth \$500,000, the total package for the signage might, I don't know, might be \$300,000-\$500,000.

Randy Jones: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: The contribution, and the Commissioners can all chime in—

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: –but, go ahead.

Commissioner Abell: It was part of the contribution that Old National Bank made to build the hotel, so that we could get our convention center connected back to the hotel and back in business. This was a way to reward them for helping us to be able to keep the convention center open.

Randy Jones: So, they're not really paying anything.

Commissioner Abell: Well, they're paying \$14 million to help build a hotel.

Randy Jones: So, they're spending, so, for their, so, technically we're spending \$20 million for the city, the Commissioners gave three million, is what I understand. I was at all the meetings. Now, Old National did a private thing, and what I understand that was private. That was private money, so, they're getting rewarded by giving them a changed name on a venue that I feel that we should have put the bids out, we should have made it public.

President Kiefer: Well–

Commissioner Abell: Let me address that.

Randy Jones: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: Just outside of this door, this glass door right behind you there's a plaque on the wall that says this is the "Kevin Winternheimer Chambers".

Randy Jones: Right.

Commissioner Abell: Didn't get a dime from Kevin Winternheimer to put his name on there. Dress Plaza is named after Mayor Dress, didn't get a dime from Mayor Dress to put the name on there. There are two buildings, two rooms over in the Centre, one of them is named after Larry Aiken, didn't get a penny from Larry Aiken to name that theater after him. There are buildings all over this town–

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Parks.

Commissioner Abell: – parks, all kinds of facilities named after people that didn't give us a dime to put their name on there. We put their name on there because they are good citizens, they worked hard to help this community, and they had some additive to that particular building. Kevin Winternheimer, for instance, was the City Council's attorney, sat in this building and worked in this room–

Randy Jones: Right.

Commissioner Abell: – and got paid to work–

Randy Jones: Right.

Commissioner Abell: – but, yet, we rewarded him by putting his name on there because we felt that he had gone above and beyond. We are putting Old National

Bank's name on the Plaza because they've gone above and beyond. That's exactly why their name's being put on the Centre.

Randy Jones: So, a corporation is getting their name, they're paying for all of the signage and all the work on it and all that—

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Randy Jones:— just for the fact—

President Kiefer: Yeah, it doesn't cost the county anything.

Randy Jones: — that they made money off of a deal with the City of Evansville to build a hotel?

Commissioner Abell: They have made no money off of that. They spent \$14 million.

President Kiefer: The bottom line is, as Commissioner Abell said, we name things after people all the time, and most of the time we get nothing, you know, in return other than their good service to the community. This, we are actually getting, in addition to a new hotel, which that Centre is going out of business without a hotel. In addition to that, that sign board, that electronic sign board is a very substantial contribution. Like Mr. Harrison said, you know, up to \$500,000, you know, for an electronic sign board, which I think in itself is a very worthwhile contribution.

Randy Jones: Well, I know that we're getting several million for the Ford Center to be renamed, so that's what I was, you know, the naming of the Ford Center, because I was kind of, you know, just questioning. It is true, we have individual names, we reward them. Corporate, as big as that corporation should be, and to rename the Centre, just because they helped out building a hotel, which thank God we did stand by and a few of us got \$18.5 million taken off of it. Well, I don't feel that's right, but, I mean, it's been done.

President Kiefer: Well—

Randy Jones: What everybody is asking is how much did they pay? How much are we getting to rename that? You're saying it's because they did us a favor.

President Kiefer: Well, it's more than just doing us a favor. Once we have that hotel in place, we've been advised by experts, SMG, who we pay money to manage that, they're a world wide company that manages properties all over the world, they advised us without a hotel, it's very difficult to book events, conventions, conferences. Since there's not been a hotel, business has dramatically dropped off. So, it's costing the county plenty of money to operate the building, the Centre, without having a hotel. What we would like to do is be back into the black on the thing and start having it earn its, enough money to keep itself up. You know, we, I think most elected officials, most public leaders will say having a convention center locally is a good thing for economic development. I think it's pretty common. Most communities our size do have a convention center. They do that for purposes that they think it's good for quality of life and for economic development. We're no different. I do appreciate you coming before us and making your comments.

Randy Jones: Well, like I said, I just felt that there should be public, and there should have been other companies allowed—

President Kiefer: Well, I will add that we had asked SMG to go out and seek bids. We did this well before Old National stepped up, and we got no responses. We asked SMG to do that, and they went out and sought other people that might be interested in, you know, paying to have their name up there, and we didn't get any takers. I think I'm correct on that.

Commissioner Melcher: No, you are.

Commissioner Abell: (Inaudible. Microphone not on.)

Commissioner Melcher: Yeah, it was, basically, SMG was trying, nationwide, trying to find somebody to name it. We were, I remember when Lloyd and I first came in, we talked about getting somebody to name it, and we couldn't get that done at the time. So, we were looking. Old National Bank offered eleven and a half million, through some other partners, on that hotel project. Old National Bank is picking up the whole eleven and half million. Now they've added more because we would have added to the name change for them. I, for one, didn't want it to be called the Centre, because we've got three centers on three of the four corners. So, that's why I was trying to get the name changed. We've got the Civic Center, the Ford Center and the Centre. So, we needed some kind of change. So, I think that's going to help us. So, without a hotel and with things going, we were having a tough time. So, Old National puts a lot of money into this community, and I think it was a good slot for them too. I think it just kind of helped everybody get it going. I agree with you, you know, some of us were on the side of getting the other \$18.5 million off. So, I think it worked out right. We just need to get that hotel built.

Randy Jones: I know the bloggers are just asking that question, because all of a sudden it was in the newspaper it was changed. It wasn't in the newspaper that there was even a question of whether it was going to be changed, like maybe Berry or some of the local companies might have wanted to put their name on it and gave us more money if that would have been done that way. I know just given a certain company to go out and look, but that's just what the bloggers are saying, that's what we're hearing. Evansville Political News, that's a webpage that's just being built by me myself, and, I mean, that's the number one question, how did this happen?

President Kiefer: Well, I give you credit for coming down and giving your name and telling us who you are. Most of the time bloggers are anonymous.

Randy Jones: I'm not anonymous.

President Kiefer: It's very, very easy to say whatever you want.

Randy Jones: I've lived in Evansville, Indiana for 60 years of my life. I've served my country, and I'm just now getting into the political wondering what's going on. You know, I know that we spent hundreds of millions of dollars downtown, and I still slipped and fell the other day at the Big Show because the ice wasn't picked off of the sidewalk. So, this is a question that, I just, like I said, you'll know who I am, that's for sure.

President Kiefer: Thank you very much. I appreciate you coming down today. Okay, any other public comment?

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Okay, consent items please.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the February 11th meeting are as follows; approval of the January 21, 2014 Commission meeting minutes. The employment changes for the Commissioners approval; there's one for the Commissioners, one for the Co-Op Extension, one for Burdette, two for the County Highway, and four for the Health Department. We have 2014 township trustee standards and guidelines for German, Knight, Perry, Pigeon, Scott, Center and Union Townships. The County Commissioners have the Sigecom/WOW franchise bond. The County Auditor has a CCD funding approval request, approval of the January 2014 A/P vouchers, the affidavit regarding certification of employment and the covered bridge certification. Burdette has a request to waive Pavilion rental fees for Mad Max 7th Annual Ride for Riley and a Burdette Park RC Beverage Company contract extension. The County Ozone Officer has the December 2013 report. The County Assessor has a surplus request for office furniture, and a request to obtain credit card from Centurion Federal Credit Union. The Hillcrest Washington Youth Home 4th quarter fees and services for 2013. The Cooperative Extension Service surplus request for office furniture. The County Engineer has a request to surplus two obsolete GPS vehicle locators, pay request number 190 for TIF projects in the amount of \$37,681.10, and a department head report. The County Highway has a surplus request and weeks in review for January 13th through 17th; January 20th through 24th; and January 27th through 31, 2014.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second. I have a question. I don't see the one here for the Co-Op. (Inaudible. Microphone not on.)

President Kiefer: The surplus request?

Commissioner Abell: No, I'm looking for the employment change.

Madelyn Grayson: Do you want to look at....I've got the original here.

Commissioner Abell: Wasn't that one of the employment changes you mentioned?

Madelyn Grayson: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, it's a part time. Okay.

President Kiefer: Any other discussion? Madelyn, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

**First Reading of Rezoning Ordinance VC-2-2014
Petitioner: Perry Heights School
Address: 5800 Hogue Road
Request: Change from Ag to C-1 with UDC**

President Kiefer: Finally, rezoning. It's always pleasing to see rezonings. It tells you there's some kind of activity in the community going on. First reading of rezoning ordinance VC-2-2014, Perry Heights School, 5800 Hogue Road, change from Ag to C-1 with use and development commitment. This is for the first reading. We'll send this to the APC for their March meeting and it will come back to us later. Is there a motion to approve for first reading?

Commissioner Melcher: I make a motion to approve for first reading and send it to APC's March meeting.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: With that I would like to ask for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the January 21, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.
Sigecom/WOW Franchise Bond.
2014 Township Trustee Standards and Guidelines (7)
Ozone Officer December 2013 Report.
Hillcrest Washington Youth Home: 4th Quarter 2013 Fees for Services.
Co-Op Extension Surplus Request.

Employment Changes:

Commissioners (1)	Burdette Park 1)	Health Dept. (4)
Co. Hwy. (2)	Co-Op Ext. (1)	Surveyor (1)
County Clerk (1)	Superior Court (1)	Co. Assessor (2)
Sheriff (12)		

County Auditor:

CCD Funding Approval Request.
Approval of January 2014 A/P Vouchers.
Affidavit Regarding Certification of Employment.
Covered Bridge Certification.

Burdette Park:

Request to Waive Pavilion Rental Fees for Mad Max 7th Annual Ride for Riley.
RC Beverage Company Contract Extension.

County Assessor:

Surplus Request: Office Furniture.
Request to Obtain Credit Card from Centurion Federal Credit Union.

County Engineer:

Request to Surplus Two Obsolete GPS Vehicle Locators.
Pay Request No. 190: TIF Projects: \$37,681.10.
Department Head Report.

County Highway:

Surplus Request.
Weeks in Review: 1/13-1/17/14; 1/20-1/24/14; 1/27-1/31/14.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Joe Gries	Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer
Madelyn Grayson	John Bosley	Ron London
Gary Heck	Bill Fluty	John Stoll
Randy Jones	Others Unidentified	Members of Media

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**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FEBRUARY 25, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 25th day of February, 2014 at 5:01 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for February 25, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Attendance please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here. We have a quorum, so we'll move ahead.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would like to ask Jessie Higgins to lead us in the Pledge.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you, Jessie.

**Old Business
Auditor: KRONOS Timekeeping System Upgrade**

President Kiefer: First we have action items....oh, before we move into action items, I apologize, our esteemed County Auditor has to leave early tonight for some other business. So, we're going to do Old Business first, and then we'll move into action items.

Joe Gries: Thank you, President Kiefer. I apologize for having to leave early, but I do appreciate your letting me go first here. I just wanted to update the Commissioners on our KRONOS project. This is our timekeeping software system that the county uses. This is part of the XP issue. The end of XP is coming up here in April, and, so, this older version of the software would only work on the XP computers. So, we're having to move and upgrade to a newer version. We have quotes from the company for the upgrade. We're going to be having a demonstration tomorrow with a lot of the departments and show them the new software. It's kind of a kick off to some of the training there. The Auditor's Office has put in an appropriation request to the Council. It will be heard on March 5th. That appropriation is coming out of the Auditor's Ineligible Homestead Fund. It's not coming out of the General Fund or CCD Funds that the Commissioners control. So, that, you know, won't affect any other of those funds. The appropriation will be for \$70,000, but the

actual quote that we've been getting are closer to sixty, but we wanted to give ourselves a little bit of a cushion to make sure we had room, if any additional upgrades needed to occur. We will meet with the vendor tomorrow, like I said, and after that we'll put together a new contract that we'll bring before the Commissioners at the next meeting. We'll ask you to review that. We'll get that to you hopefully in the next week or so, then review that and if there are any issues we'll take it up at that next meeting. Then we'll move forward with that upgrade.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Are there questions?

Joe Gries: Appreciate you letting me go first.

President Kiefer: Appreciate it, Joe. Thank you very much.

Joe Gries: Thank you.

<p>Permission to Advertise 2014 Primary Election Vote Centers & Early Voting Centers</p>

President Kiefer: Okay, now we can move on to action items. I see we have our County Clerk, Debbie Stucki, here to discuss. I believe you're asking for permission to advertise 2014 primary election voting centers and early voting centers.

Debbie Stucki: Yes.

President Kiefer: Then contract discussion for upcoming electronic poll book vendor.

Debbie Stucki: Yes. I believe you have the handout for the dates and locations for the vote centers? Thank you, Madelyn, for correcting an error.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: We have a corrected version? Is that it?

Debbie Stucki: We're keeping the same locations as in the past election.

President Kiefer: Okay, so—

Commissioner Melcher: There's one I would like to move.

Debbie Stucki: Which one is that?

Commissioner Melcher: I brought this up two or three times in the past, and I think I've still got pictures. The Highway Garage is not a good place to have voting. You park at an angle, the road behind you is small, there's all kinds of semis and gas trucks and everything running up and down, especially on St. Joe. I was out there and there was a woman crying, she was about 70 years old crying because she couldn't back her car out because all the cars were coming. They made a mistake by not letting them park into the parking lot, but we ended up getting that solved so they could park in the parking lot, but it still scares a lot of people. So, I don't think that's really a good place to hold one.

President Kiefer: Commissioner, would it be okay to maybe do it for the primary, since it would be low turnout, and then we can get that changed for the General Election?

Commissioner Melcher: Well—

President Kiefer: Unless you think you can get it changed prior to that. That way we could—

Debbie Stucki: We could certainly look at it. I know that's my precinct and there's always limited parking there.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, then you would know.

Debbie Stucki: It's limited parking there.

Commissioner Melcher: Limited is a lot.

President Kiefer: But, for May, is this okay for May? Or, do you want to change it?

Commissioner Melcher: I'm just looking at the safety issue. I mean, there's a lot of things going on right there in that intersection.

President Kiefer: Okay. What's your plan as far as advertising these voting centers? How much notice and time for the primary?

Debbie Stucki: I'm not sure how much notice has to be.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, I think, again, you could delete that one from it. Approve it without that one, and there could be another, if there's another one added for the primary, you could add it, and then you can look between now and, you know, this summer, try to find another place for the fall, for the General Election and add a new one at that time.

Debbie Stucki: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That's what I would recommend. If you think safety wise you don't want to have this one right now, there's still 22 other sites for on election day.

Commissioner Melcher: No, I thought that. I thought we could pass it except for this one.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes.

Commissioner Melcher: Because that was going to be my final thing.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: So, I'll make the motion to approve it, except for the Vanderburgh County Highway Garage.

President Kiefer: I'll second that. Further discussion? So, you're going to be on the look out for a new location there?

Debbie Stucki: A new location. See, we have to get the internet, we had the internet installed in these places. So, we have to, so, I don't think I could get something for this primary.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, I think there was already internet at the Garage.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Debbie Stucki: A lot of them we had to get more hook ups for all of the laptops that we—

President Kiefer: Okay. Well, anyway, we've got a motion—

Debbie Stucki: We could look for something for the fall to replace it.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, so, you're mostly there.

Debbie Stucki: Mostly.

County Clerk: Contract Discussion of Electronic Poll Book Vendor

President Kiefer: Next is the contract discussion.

Debbie Stucki: We do have, the State has required for this primary that E-poll vendors, electronic poll book vendors, have to be certified. Our vendor let us know in December that they would not be going through that application process to be certified. So, we're looking for a new E-poll vendor. Six companies have went through the certification process, excuse me, the application process, and three companies as of January 28th have been certified. We've been in contact with those three vendors, and at the Election Board meeting on February 18th, the Election Board decided we could go ahead and negotiate a contract with Decision Support. They had the, it's a one year lease contract that I hope to get ready for the next meeting on March 18th.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: And, they were the cheapest, weren't they?

Debbie Stucki: They were the cheapest, yes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: The other two, I think, required us to purchase something. Whereas, their proposal was a lease, so it would give you the opportunity—

Debbie Stucki: Lease the software.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: – to see how it works this year.

Debbie Stucki: Yes.

President Kiefer: So, right now they're just in discussion? You're just in discussion on this?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes.

Debbie Stucki: Just in discussion.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: She's going to get a contract to me. She has given me a proposal, but there needs to be some changes to it, and at the next Commissioner meeting we need to bring it.

Debbie Stucki: We're still negotiating, yeah.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Debbie Stucki: But, hope to have it ready for the next meeting.

Commissioner Melcher: Let me ask this, what, I guess, I don't understand what they're doing. What are they supposed to be doing?

Debbie Stucki: The electronic poll books are the laptops that replaced the greenbar sheets.

Commissioner Melcher: Just like the ones we've been having, right?

Debbie Stucki: Yes. The same laptops, it's just different software.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: They're going to sign now, instead of signing your name–

Debbie Stucki: On the paper.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: – on paper, you're going to sign an electronic device, but this requirement is only for the counties that have the–

Debbie Stucki: Electronic poll books.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: – electronic polling books, like we have. You know, some counties don't even have any of that. So, they're not mandated to do it.

Debbie Stucki: Right.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It's only us because we have the probably most advanced version, but now we're required to do this.

Debbie Stucki: Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

Debbie Stucki: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Appreciate that.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: So, if you have paper ballots, you wouldn't have to do it.

President Kiefer: Right.

<p>Second/Final Reading of Ordinance: CO.02-14-002: An Ordinance Amending Zoning Code: Chapter 17.36</p>

President Kiefer: Next, under action items, we have the second and final reading of CO.02-14-002, amending the Vanderburgh County zoning. We have Ron London here to discuss this.

Ron London: Good evening. I didn't know if you wanted me to go through this ordinance again, or if you had any questions, or how you wanted to proceed with that. I know it's gone through first reading and it's been approved already on the city side also.

President Kiefer: Yeah. I think we're okay, but, Commissioner Melcher may have a question.

Commissioner Melcher: No, I'm okay with it.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: So, this is going to be city and county?

Ron London: Correct. They're basically identical. The only change is who actually sits on Site Review for the county side, because the County Engineer and the County Surveyor. On the city side you would have the City Engineer.

Commissioner Melcher: Did you, did Marsha address some issues with you?

Ron London: No, she didn't.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

Ron London: She didn't have any, that I know of.

Commissioner Melcher: But, she has seen it?

Ron London: Oh, yeah.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

Ron London: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It passed first reading the last meeting.

Ron London: Yes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: And the City Council has already approved it?

Ron London: Correct.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Okay.

Ron London: Yep.

President Kiefer: I was trying to think if there was maybe one word somebody had requested a change on, or not, but I can't remember.

Commissioner Melcher: That might have been on the sign ordinance.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah.

President Kiefer: Oh, that was on a different topic. Okay.

Ron London: Yeah, there wasn't anything discussed the last time we were here.

President Kiefer: Okay. Alrighty. In that case, I'll ask for a motion.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Madelyn, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, that was easy enough.

Ron London: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thanks, Ron.

<p>First Reading of Vacation Ordinance CO.V-01-14-001: Vacation of Portion of Drainage Easement: Wynnfield Sub & Permission to Advertise Notice of Public Hearing</p>
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President Kiefer: Request for a first reading of vacation ordinance CO.V-01-14-001, vacation of portion of drainage easement and permission to advertise notice of public hearing. Is there a motion to approve the first reading and permission to advertise notice of public hearing to be held on March 18, 2014?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: Is there, I'll second that. Then, is there any discussion or comments from legal counsel?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, I think everything's in order now. This will give us plenty of time to have it advertised and have the petition heard as well as the second reading of the ordinance on March 18th.

President Kiefer: Okay, great. Thank you. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

**Burdette Park: USI Pool Use Agreement: Lifeguard Testing
VPS: Contract for OCH Second Floor Renovation Design & Specs
Health Dept: Radon Gas Grant Agreement**

President Kiefer: Okay, next is contracts, agreements and leases. Under Commissioners, a USI agreement for pool use for lifeguard testing. This is for Burdette Park summer lifeguard testing to be held at the indoor pool at USI on April 13, 2014. USI will waive the rental fee for the pool. The county is responsible for \$7.50 per hour fee to have a lifeguard on duty. I see Steve Craig is out in the audience. Is there anything you want to add?

Commissioner Melcher: So, it's Burdette waiving the fee for USI?

President Kiefer: Yeah, I think, this is the same thing, we've done this several years, I know.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, it's USI waiving.

Commissioner Melcher: It's USI waiving it?

President Kiefer: Yeah, USI is waiving the fee. All we're doing is paying \$7.50 for their lifeguard—

Commissioner Melcher: Oh, okay.

President Kiefer: – to be on duty.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: While we have the training session out there. What is it, March or April?

Steve Craig: It's, I think it's in April. It's because it's too cold to hold it at the pool. So, we do our testing for our new lifeguards out at the USI aquatic facility. They do not charge us rent for the rental of the pool. We just have to pay for the lifeguard that's going to work.

President Kiefer: So, it couldn't be more than, less than a hundred dollars probably.

Steve Craig: Oh, thirty or forty.

President Kiefer: Yeah, okay. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: I think this is a good deal. It's very gracious of USI to allow us to do this. I know they've done it several years in a row, and we appreciate that. So, with that, I vote yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Steve Craig: Thank you. The one reason I do bring it to Joe every year is because it needs a certificate of insurance and that. That way we get it all taken care of and he signs off on it and we're good to go.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I'll contact Torian Hofmann and Dillow tomorrow.

Steve Craig: I gave Madelyn the envelope where she can mail it directly to USI. So, we're good to go.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Steve Craig: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thanks, Steve. Appreciate it. Next is VPS contract for the second floor renovations to the Old Courthouse. This is for the preparation of construction documents and related bidding and construction observation assistance for the Old Courthouse second floor corridor renovations. The cost is \$21,000 and to be by the Old Courthouse Foundation. We want to approve this contract tonight. Steve, this is something I've been actively involved in. It's pretty much for us to move ahead doing what we did on the first floor last year, now to do on the second floor, except I think it will ultimately cover a few extra things like the Governor's Parlor, since some of the work on the second floor, the two ends, are already completed. So, we had some money we could do that Governor's Parlor as well. VPS did this for us last year, and they would be doing it again for us this year.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

President Kiefer: So, I need a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: I'll second that. Any further discussion? Is there any public comment? Steve, are you coming up for public comment?

Steve Craig: No, sir.

President Kiefer: Okay, I saw you get up right when I asked that question. Madelyn, if you could do roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, great. Kristin, if you can let them know we're approved. Next is the Health Department, radon gas grant A70-4-154007 (SIRG). The grant is for \$1,500 to be used by the Health Department for radon gas testing awareness efforts in Vanderburgh County homes. It runs from the first of February through June 30th. Gary Heck is here to talk about this.

Gary Heck: Yes, sir. This is a grant, it's for \$1,500, as you said for us to purchase 125 test kits and brochures. We're also allowed to do educational outreach, which is one of the things that we'll continue to do. The money can just be used for those two primary things of getting the test kits and the educational brochures that go along with those. We just got this from the State, and we should be able to get it wrapped up and get those purchased and out fairly quickly.

President Kiefer: Okay, alright, sounds good. Any discussion, questions?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Gary Heck: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Next, department head reports. I see John, he usually has something.

John Stoll: I've got two things. The first is a request to award contract VC14-01-01, the Green River Road reconstruction to E&B Paving for the amount of \$5,305,000. They provided the low bid on the project.

President Kiefer: Great. Discussion?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: So moved, second. No further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: Just to clarify too, that is the section between Millersburg and Kansas.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

John Stoll: The other item I have is in regard to an action you actually took at the January 7th meeting where we requested an increase of \$7,360 on a right-of-way parcel at Burkhardt and Virginia. At that time, the consultant hadn't provided me with any paperwork for the Commissioners signatures. So, this basically is to reaffirm that we can increase the offer from \$7,360 to a grand total of \$32,760 on parcel three on the Burkhardt and Virginia project.

President Kiefer: Okay, so, do we need a motion on that? Okay, is there a motion?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: That's all I have, unless you've got any questions.

President Kiefer: No, but thank you very much. Appreciate it, John.

Board Appointments

President Kiefer: Okay, next I would like to do board appointments. I have several board appointments that I would like to make. I would like to appoint Martin Graham to Community Corrections, and Jennifer Whitaker to Community Corrections. I would also like to appoint Donnie Angel to the MPO. Is there a motion to accept those?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, so approved.

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Let's see, we already did old business. Are there any public comments? No public comments.

Consent Items

President Kiefer: I would like to add this to the consent items, Madelyn. This is a letter to the Indiana Gaming Commission. Then, if you could add that to the consent items, you could do that next.

Madelyn Grayson: Okay. The consent items for the February 25th meeting are as follows; approval of the February 11, 2014 meeting minutes. Employment changes for the Commissioners approval, there's one for the Health Department. The County Commissioners have the Harding and Shymanski engagement letter for ONB Events Plaza, formerly the Centre, for the 2013 financial review. The Drug Task Force and Prosecutor Equitable Sharing Agreements and certifications. The County Clerk has a request for waiver of fees, not overtime, at Old National Events Plaza for election training, and a request to surplus various office equipment. The County Treasurer has the January 2014 year-to-date investments and the January 2014 monthly report. The Health Department has a request to surplus various computer equipment. The County Highway has a week in review for February 10th through 14th. The Sheriff has a request to surplus vehicles, and a request for waiver of fees, not overtime, for Old National Events Plaza. The County Engineer has a department head report and pay request number 191 for \$3,120.80 for TIF projects. The Soil and Water Conservation District has the February 2014 monthly report. The County

Ozone Officer has a January 2014 monthly report. The IBAP Gatekeeper has a February 2014 report. Weights and Measures has their monthly report, and then the letter to the Indiana Gaming Commission.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Any discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: So approved. Okay, is there anything else to be brought before the Board of Commissioners?

Commissioner Melcher: Move for adjournment.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:23 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the February 11, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.
Harding & Shymanski Engagement Letter: 2013 ONB Events Plaza Review.
ONB Events Plaza Fee Waiver: County Clerk & Sheriff.
SWCD: February 2014 Monthly Report.
County Ozone Officer: January 2014 Monthly Report.
IBAP Gatekeeper: February 2014 Report.
Weights & Measures: Monthly Report.
Indiana Gaming Commission Letter: Vanderburgh County Veterans Council.

Employment Changes:

Health Dept. (1)	Public Defender (1)	Sheriff (3)
County Clerk (1)	County Assessor (2)	Prosecutor (1)
Legal Aid (2)		

Prosecutor:

Equitable Sharing Agreements: Drug Task Force & Mutli-Agency Narcotics Task Force.

Surplus Requests:

County Clerk: Various Office Equipment.
Sheriff: Vehicles.
Health Department: Various Computer Equipment.

County Treasurer:

January 2014 Year-to-Date Investments.
January 2014 Monthly Report.

County Highway: Week in Review: 2.10-2/14/14.

County Engineer:

Department Head Report.
TIF Pay Request No. 191: \$3,120.80.

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Joe Kiefer	Stephen Melcher	Joe Gries
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Debbie Stucki	Ron London	Steve Craig
Gary Heck	John Stoll	Others Unidentified
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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARCH 18, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 18th day of March, 2014 at 5:01 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for March 18, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: If we could do attendance please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: Then, Madelyn, can you lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance?

Madelyn Grayson: Sure.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

**Permission to Open Quotes VC14-04-01:
Repair and Repaving of Streets in Clear Creek Subdivision**

President Kiefer: I would like to get permission to open quotes for VC14-04-01, that's the repair and repaving of streets in Clear Creek Subdivision.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Then, Joe, you can report back to us later. Thank you.

Substance Abuse Council: 2014 Local Drug Free Communities Funds

President Kiefer: Under action items, Substance Abuse Council 2014 Local Drug Free Communities fund information. Crystal is here to talk to us.

Crystal Sisson: Yes. Good evening. Each year the Substance Abuse Council has the responsibility of distributing grants in law enforcement, treatment providers and prevention programs in Vanderburgh County. We do this through the money that's collected through the Drug Free Communities fund. This fund consists of the fees that are collected by the county through the countermeasure and **interdiction** fees that the offenders of alcohol and drug related offenses have to pay. So, we have to make sure that we distribute these funds according to the state statute, and in compliance with our Vanderburgh County comprehensive community plan. Each of you should have received a copy of our funding form. This form was submitted to the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute in February, and they have approved it. We are just requesting that you have seen it and approve it as well.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Is there discussion? So, we need a vote then.

Commissioner Abell: Move for acceptance.

President Kiefer: Second. Madelyn, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: So, approved and thank you very much, Crystal.

Crystal Sisson: Thank you.

Purchasing: Permission to Award Tire Contracts

President Kiefer: Next is Purchasing, permission to award tire contracts. I believe we have Boscoe Wilhite here with us. Boscoe, if you want to discuss this.

Boscoe Wilhite: Good evening, Commissioners. Boscoe Wilhite, City-County Purchasing Manager. Back on January 7th I came to you and asked permission to seek quotes and bids for the tires. I received them back on February 6th. We opened them up at the Board of Public Works. Since then I have reviewed them, I have talked to departments about them. Sheriff Williams, I spoke with him, and we, after looking at the bid tabulations, which I have sent to the Commissioners, we would like to award police pursuit tires to Raben, and then heavy vehicles, light truck and miscellaneous tires to Reis Tires.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there discussion?

Commissioner Abell: I would just like to make note that James Raben is a County Councilman, and he has a conflict of interest statement on file.

Boscoe Wilhite: Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. With that I would like to ask for roll call please.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for acceptance.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Second. I'm ahead of myself.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Okay.

<p>Final Reading and Public Hearing of Vacation Ordinance CO.V-01-14-001: Vacation of Portion of Drainage Easement Lot 77, Section 1 of Wynnfield Subdivision</p>
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President Kiefer: Final reading and public hearing of vacation ordinance CO.V-01-14-001. This is the vacation of a portion of drainage easement, lot 77 of section one of Wynnfield Subdivision. This is, we need a motion to approve and open public hearing.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Are there petitioner comments? Scott?

Scott Buedel: Yes. Scott Buedel with Cash Waggnier and Associates, here on behalf of the property owner of lot 77, and the builder of the house. The house just

inadvertently got put in the drainage easement. We're only asking for a portion of that one foot easement to be vacated. It's a very small portion.

President Kiefer: Okay. Are there remonstrators here? Jeff, do you have some comments?

Jeff Mueller: I'm not remonstrating. I saw the letter. I'm for it.

President Kiefer: Okay. Any questions from the Commissioners?

Commissioner Abell: So, the County Surveyor is in favor of this?

Jeff Mueller: Yes, I don't have any problems with it.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

Scott Buedel: We do have a letter from John Stoll too acknowledging the vacation.

President Kiefer: Can I get a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: So approved. Thank you.

Scott Buedel: Thank you.

**Amendment to APC Interlocal Agreement with the City of Evansville
CO.R-03-14-001: Approving Amendment to APC Interlocal Agreement
Alternative Service Concepts: Claims Service Agreement Renewal
OCH Lease Renewal: Gary Hobdy
Lease Agreement & Memorandum of Lease: 3601 Old Henderson Rd.
Lease Agreement & Memorandum of Lease: 5200 Duesner Rd.
Computer Services: AT&T Ethernet Contract Extension
Computer Services: Microsoft Enterprise Agreement
Auditor: KRONOS 2014 Upgrade to Workforce Ready
County Clerk: E-Poll Book Contract with RBM & Decision Support**

President Kiefer: Next is contracts, agreements and leases. The Commissioners, there's an amendment to interlocal agreement with the City of Evansville regarding Area Plan Commission fees, regarding a change in the way the APC fee receipts will be deposited in order to speed up the current accounting and depositing process.

The county will continue to pay all APC expenditures and invoices, and then will invoice the city for its 15 percent share. The City Board of Public Works has already approved the amendment to APC interlocal agreement. I see Ron London is here. Did you have any comments?

Ron London: Ron London, Executive Director of Area Plan. We're just asking for you to approve this. We're doing this so that we can try and do the online processing through our office. This is the only way that we can do it. So, we need to work through the city system. So, the city will reimburse the county. Just a little opposite of the way it's working right now. We worked with Joe and the City Controller's office and everyone.

President Kiefer: Okay. Joe, did you have any comments?

Joe Gries: Just to say that the county's financial system doesn't have point of sale, and the city's does. This doesn't affect the county's revenue at all, or the city's, it will all be the same throughout the year. It's just a different way of handling the money.

President Kiefer: Okay. Any other comments? Okay, well, it looks like, as you note, that the county still pays 85 percent. So, I hope the Area Plan Commissioners recognize that, and is always cognitive of that. With that, I'll ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much. Let's see....sorry about that. Next is the Alternative Service Concepts renewal claims services agreement. A one year renewal agreement for claims administration for workers compensation, general liability, auto liability, errors and omissions. This runs from February 1, 2014 to January 31, 2015. Is there somebody here to address that?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, I'll just address it.

Commissioner Abell: I was going to say, you know what it is.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: This is with Alternative Service Concepts. They're the third party administrator for the county's insurance claims.

President Kiefer: Right.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: This is the exact same contract as we had last year.

President Kiefer: The same thing we had last year?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: They do a very good job.

President Kiefer: Right. Marsha, would you like to make a motion?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Next, Old Courthouse lease renewal with Gary Hobdy for suite 300. A two year renewal with a \$40 a month rate increase. It runs from May 1, 2014 until April 30, 2016. I just want to make a general comment that I think our leasing agent is doing a good job of getting those rates up, instead of just going in with the same rate year after year. So, I do appreciate Kyle Bernhardt's work for helping us get higher rent from our tenants. Is there any other discussion?

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for approval, and I would like to indicate, for anyone who hasn't seen it, there were some nice pictures of the inside of the Old Courthouse on the Courier & Press website. So, we appreciate those photographs to the press, and giving us a little plug for our nice, beautiful Old Courthouse.

President Kiefer: Yeah, and it's going to hopefully continue to get better. I'll second the motion. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Next is a lease agreement and memorandum of lease with the City of Evansville. This is regarding the lease of two flood plain properties acquired by the county to the City of Evansville for maintenance and reporting purposes. As you'll recall, this is the homes that we're getting the grant money at 3601 Old Henderson Road and 5200 Duesner Road. Do you want to come up? I mean, it's pretty simple. I think we know what it is, but in case you want to make any other comments.

Dave Ballew: Yeah, Dave Ballew, Flood Plain Manager for the city and county. So, this is basically just to finalize, you know, the lease agreement and get signatures on it. We've already gotten them from the city.

President Kiefer: What has happened since that grant money? I mean, what work has been done? You know, have those sites been—

Dave Ballew: Yeah, I'm glad you asked. We've gotten the two county properties, well, we've acquired, so, they are actually in the name of Vanderburgh County right now. So, we are working on the third property as we speak. We've already gotten bids, and awarded contracts to demo contractors for the two properties.

President Kiefer: Okay, now did the, I think, one of the township fire departments wanted to do some—

Dave Ballew: We are working with them also on that.

President Kiefer: For training purposes.

Dave Ballew: Yeah, they can do some training in a couple of the houses.

President Kiefer: Well, good, that's an added benefit.

Dave Ballew: That's exactly right.

President Kiefer: Thank you very much. I'll ask for a motion.

Commissioner Abell: So moved. I think we want to do them one by one.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, why don't we do 3601 first.

Commissioner Abell: I move for approval on 3601 Old Henderson Road.

President Kiefer: I'll second that. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Commissioner Abell: Now, I'll move for approval of 5200 Duesner Road.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: David, thank you very much.

Dave Ballew: You're welcome.

President Kiefer: Next is Computer Services, a two year AT&T contract extension. It extends the ethernet connectivity services agreement with AT&T for an additional two years at no additional cost, no additional annual cost to the city or county. Additionally, the speed of the current services will be considerably increased. The City of Evansville, Board of Public Works, has already approved this extension agreement.

John Staples: You said it very well. John Staples with Advanced, your computer services provider. It's exactly how you stated. We worked a contract with AT&T to extend higher speeds to all of the offsite locations. So, the County Garage, the Health Department, the Jail, all the county and city offsite locations. The Board of Public Works approved the city side last Thursday. There's no increase. There might be a little increase and decrease over time, but over the year it will be exactly the same. They only wanted a two year extension on the contract. That's what that is before you.

President Kiefer: Okay, great. Thank you.

John Staples: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

John Staples: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Second.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: John, next we have the Microsoft enterprise agreement. A three year agreement for desktop and server licensing for county offices and departments, including the Clerk, Courts, Prosecutor and Public Defender's office. I believe the cost is \$264,891.03 this year, and similar yearly payments for 2015 and 2016.

John Staples: That is exactly correct. Yes, this is the Microsoft operating systems, the Windows—

President Kiefer: Right.

John Staples: – this will be Word and Excel and things like that, and all server side for the county non-Sheriff, but, yes, correct.

President Kiefer: Right. Okay, are there questions?

Commissioner Abell: It will be ready in April? It's ready to go in April?

John Staples: I'm sorry?

Commissioner Abell: Ready to go in April?

John Staples: Yes, Ma'am. Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. I move for approval. I sat on the committee.

John Staples: So, you're very well informed on this, yes. It's been a lot of work.

Commissioner Abell: I think I know as much as I want to know about it.

President Kiefer: Alright, I'll second that, and ask for a roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Staples: Okay, thank you.

President Kiefer: Thanks, John. Next, our Auditor, Joe Gries, KRONOS upgrade to Workforce Ready for Vanderburgh County 2014. Joe, I guess, this is the timekeeping software maintenance contract?

Joe Gries: It is.

President Kiefer: And upgrade for 2014, and I have the cost is \$29,890 to be paid by the County Auditor.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: The funds have been approved by the Council. They're being paid for out of the Auditor's Ineligible Homestead Fund. It makes sense to come out of there, because the Auditor's office deals with payroll and the timekeeping, so we have an integral part of that. So, this agreement is the first one of its kind in a long time, since the KRONOS system actually was implemented twelve or thirteen years ago. So, this is an upgrade. It will allow for all of the departments who are currently on the system and a few others to come onto the system. It's very flexible in how each department's needs are required. So, I think it's a pretty good thing.

President Kiefer: Well, I would like to compliment the County Auditor, Joe Gries, for doing a good job, being involved with this, and appreciate all the work you've done on this.

Joe Gries: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Are there any comments or questions?

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for approval. We might want to think about, we as County Commissioners, sending a letter to all of the department heads indicating the desire of this body for every department in the county to be on the KRONOS system.

Joe Gries: We actually have available funds, over the \$29,000, if other departments want to come on, we can add those for this year. So, we have room money-wise as well.

President Kiefer: Can we mandate that?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well—

Commissioner Abell: We might can.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: We can really encourage, strongly encourage.

Commissioner Abell: It's just that in this time in history it is ridiculous for anyone to continue to keep these things manually. There's too much chance for error. We've already had arguments about who does have overtime and who doesn't by the time they retire. I would certainly like to see these Commissioners encourage everyone to get on this system. It's an easy system to do. I used to be on it.

Joe Gries: It is, and that's what's nice about it too. It's flexible and allows the different departments, whether you're maybe the Prosecutor or, you know, the courts, Sheriff. The Sheriff is actually already on this system. The Assessor is going through the process right now. So, you know, it just kind of fits, or can fit with all different departments.

Commissioner Abell: It's a pretty easy system. You're either here working or you're not.

Joe Gries: Yeah.

President Kiefer: Well, maybe we can do a resolution with the County Council jointly saying that.

Commissioner Abell: Encourage that, yeah, we'll work on that, Joe. Thanks for all your good work on it.

President Kiefer: Appreciate it, Joe.

Commissioner Abell: If I haven't already, I will move for acceptance.

President Kiefer: I'll second it, if I haven't already.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much. Next we have the County Clerk. I see you here. Thank you. Agreement with the RBM Consulting LLC and Decision Support LLC for electronic poll books. My notes say that it's the license rental agreement for the electronic poll book software system required by the State of Indiana for this year's primary and general election.

Debbie Stucki: Yes.

President Kiefer: And that the cost is \$29,428.

Debbie Stucki: Yes.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Debbie.

Debbie Stucki: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Is there any other comments you want to add. I mean, do you feel like you'll be ready to roll for the primary election?

Debbie Stucki: We're getting closer, yes. Get this in place, and the training on the system, we'll be ready to go.

President Kiefer: Okay. Good.

Commissioner Abell: Debbie, I have a question about this. Is, I know nothing about it, because it's a new thing. Is this like something that would be coming out of Voter Registration? Or, is this something separate for your office?

Debbie Stucki: It's—

Commissioner Abell: Or will you both jointly be using it?

Debbie Stucki: We have to upload this information to the state-wide voter registration system, but this is the system at the polling places that replaces the green bar where you used to sign in.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

Debbie Stucki: So, this is how you electronically check people in at the polls—

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Debbie Stucki: — and to make sure that they can't go across town and vote in another vote center.

Commissioner Abell: And, do they, what, sign on a computer screen or something?

Debbie Stucki: This year we were required to get signature pads. So, this year they will sign, they'll have an electronic signature we'll capture.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Debbie Stucki: All mandated by the State.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

Commissioner Abell: The State, of course, didn't send any money down to pay for it.

Debbie Stucki: No, of course not.

Commissioner Abell: Of course not.

Debbie Stucki: But, there was enough in the budget to cover it, thank goodness.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for approval.

Debbie Stucki: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Let's get it rolling.

Debbie Stucki: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Debbie.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Department head reports. I see John is coming up. He always has something.

John Stoll: I've got three items that deal with the Bohannon sewer project. The project is now finished. We do have some minor grading and seeding repair work that has to be completed, but for all practical purposes the project is done. So, in order to finalize the grant paperwork, I've got two forms and a change order. The first form is a final inspection and completion form. It just states that the project was completed in February. It needs Commissioner Kiefer's signature. So, I would request that you approve the final inspection form.

President Kiefer: Motion?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: Then, the second form is a certification of accessibility. That was a form that was sent over by the Economic Development Coalition. It was relating to ADA accessibility, but since this is a sewer project, it doesn't apply. The project is exempt. I just need the Commissioners to sign off on that stating that fact.

President Kiefer: Sounds like an easy one.

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

President Kiefer: Second.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: The last is a change order that finalizes the contract. It's for an increase of \$22,050.30. We just had a number of increases and decreases on manhole items, sewer lengths, we added some flowable fill on some pipe crossings, and this just gets the final quantities used in the contract to balance out with the final invoices. So, I would request—

President Kiefer: So, this would finish out the—

John Stoll: Correct.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

President Kiefer: Second.

Commissioner Abell: This has been a good project.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: It's been a long time in coming.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: I'm sure the people out there are happy that it's happened.

John Stoll: It was supposed to be accepted by the Sewer Department this afternoon. I didn't get any final verification that that did happen, but we did make that request as well.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That's what I was going to ask, if that got done today.

John Stoll: I believe it did. The only other thing I had that I didn't mention previously. Were you going to make any announcements about the road hearing?

President Kiefer: Oh, yeah, great. Thank you very much. I'm glad you mentioned that.

Commissioner Abell: The road hearing.

President Kiefer: Kristin, what date did we have on that? The second meeting in April?

Kristin Comer: The 22nd.

President Kiefer: April 22nd. Do we need to state what time that is?

Commissioner Abell: Is it going to be during our meeting?

President Kiefer: It's going to be....yeah, we'll have that at the end of our regular meeting.

Commissioner Abell: Did you say April 22nd?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Just at the end of the regular meeting.

President Kiefer: Okay, yeah, so, let's—

Commissioner Abell: Immediately following the Commissioners meeting?

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: And then we won't have Drainage Board, is that the plan?

President Kiefer: No, no Drainage, so, yeah, that's the announcement. No Drainage Board, and the road hearing will be immediately following the regular Commission meeting.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: So, you'll take care of any advertisement that needs to be handled on that? Okay, thanks for bringing that, reminding us on that, because we don't want to miss that.

John Stoll: I forgot at the last meeting as well.

President Kiefer: So, just for the public, road hearing, so, if they have complaints, concerns, issues, now is the time to comment. It's a full public meeting for people to express concerns. Plus, you'll go out and take, like you did, you and Pat will go out and take pictures, evaluate concerns and present that.

John Stoll: Yeah, and I've talked to Pat and his staff is already out taking pictures and the same with mine. So, we're compiling lists already, and we'll have a Power Point showing what we found.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Appreciate that, John.

John Stoll: Thanks.

President Kiefer: I don't think there's any other, there's no other department head reports.

Health Department

Commissioner Abell: Gary Heck is here. He might have one.

President Kiefer: Oh, Gary. Sorry, did you have something?

Gary Heck: Just under consent items asking you to confirm....excuse me, Gary Heck. Under consent items we're just asking the Commissioners to confirm the Board of Health appointment of our new Health Officer, Robert Kenneth Spear.

President Kiefer: Great. That's fantastic. We're very blessed and fortunate to have him come on board.

Commissioner Abell: When does he start?

Gary Heck: Next Monday, if you all approve it tonight.

Commissioner Abell: Well, you know, I would like to pull this out of the consents just as a real enforcement of how much we think of Dr. Ken Spear. I mean, he's just, everybody in Evansville that's ever dealt with him knows he's a quality person and a great doctor. I would like to pull it out of the consents and move that we accept the Health Board's request that Dr. Kenneth Spear become the new County Health Officer.

President Kiefer: Okay, I'll second that. So, under further discussion then, he'll be here at the next meeting, or the next time?

Gary Heck: He certainly will.

President Kiefer: Okay, because it would be nice to have him here so we can all congratulate him and have the opportunity to talk to him.

Gary Heck: I'll make sure he knows your wishes.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Tell him how happy we are.

Gary Heck: Thanks. I'm going to wait to make sure you vote first though.

President Kiefer: Roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Gary Heck: Thank you.

President Kiefer: So approved. Thank you very much.

County Attorney

President Kiefer: Next, before we go into consent items, we'll ask Joe to report back to us on the quotes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes, they're on the Clear Creek Subdivision repair quotes. There were two contractors that submitted quotes. The first was E&B Paving, their bid amount, or quote amount was \$114,500. The second one was submitted by J.H. Rudolph and Company, and that quote was \$136,270. Those are the two quotes and I would ask that those be taken under advisement and reviewed by the County Engineer.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Is there a motion to accept.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second.

Commissioner Abell: John, could I ask you a question?

President Kiefer: Okay, do you want to wait to talk to him before we vote on this?

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, I do.

President Kiefer: Okay, thanks.

Commissioner Abell: How old are these roads in this subdivision?

John Stoll: I think about 12 years.

Commissioner Abell: Is this normal? Or is this early to have to do this kind of work?

John Stoll: It's early, for the extent of the repairs it's too early.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, that's disappointing. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

New Business/Old Business

President Kiefer: Is there any new business or old business?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Is there any public comment? Seeing none.

Consent Items

President Kiefer: We'll move to the consent items, minus the Health Department appointment.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the March 18th meeting are as follows. Approval of the February 25th Commission meeting minutes; employment changes for the Commissioners approval, we have two for the County Highway, five for the Health Department and one for the Centre. The Auditor has the February 2014 A/P vouchers. We have the AMR 4th quarter 2013 financial report and reimbursement. The Old National Events Plaza fee waiver requests, these do not include overtime, we have one for the Sheriff for joint training exercises for Courts, Drug Court and Community Corrections personnel on March 21, 2014, and Superior Court for continuing legal education class on May 2, 2014. Under surplus requests, we have the Sheriff has a damaged 2006 Ford Crown Victoria for disposal, and the Auditor has various computer equipment. The IBAP Gatekeeper March 13, 2013 periodic

report. The County Engineer has a department head report, and the County Highway has weekly work reports for February 17th through the 21st; the 24th through the 28th, and March 2nd through the 7th.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Is there a motion to accept the consent items?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you. Before we adjourn, I would like to say that we're going to start the Drainage Board meeting immediately. So, if anybody has students or press, the media, anybody that needs to come up and talk to us, we'll recess that meeting after we open up some bids for maintenance and drainage regulation. So, if you could bear with us for a minute. Next, we'll ask for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:29 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the February 25, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.

AMR: Fourth Quarter 2013 AMR Financial Report & Reimbursement.

IBAP Gatekeeper: March 13, 2014 Periodic Report.

Employment Changes:

Health Dept. (5)

The Centre (1)

Co. Hwy. (2)

Sheriff (6)

Prosecutor (2)

Superior Court (1)

County Clerk (1)

Circuit Court (1)

Public Defender (1)

County Auditor: Approval of February 2014 A/P Vouchers.

Old National Events Plaza Fee Waiver Requests:

Sheriff: Joint Training: Courts, Drug Court and VCCC Personnel: 5/21/2014.

Superior Court: Continuing Legal Education Class: 5/2/2014.

Surplus Requests:

Sheriff: Damaged 2006 Ford Crown Victoria for disposal.

Auditor: Various Computer Equipment.

County Engineer: Department Head Report.

County Highway:
Weekly Work Reports: 2/17-21 & 2/24-28 & 3/2-3/7/2014.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Joe Gries
Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer	Madelyn Grayson
Crystal Sisson	Boscoe Wilhite	Scott Buedel
Jeff Mueller	Ron London	Dave Ballew
John Staples	Debbie Stucki	John Stoll
Gary Heck	Others Unidentified	Members of Media

**VANDERBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Joe Kiefer, President

Marsha Abell, Vice President

(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARCH 25, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 25th day of March, 2014 at 5:08 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for March 25, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes. We have a quorum, so we can move ahead.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would like to ask Sydney Maurer and Meghan Lasher to lead us in the Pledge please.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

Introduction of Teen Advisory Council Job Shadows

President Kiefer: Before we get started, I just thought maybe we would introduce Sydney and Meghan. Would you like to tell us what schools you are from?

Sydney Maurer: Sydney Maurer, Mater Dei High School.

Meghan Lasher: Meghan Lasher, New Tech Institute.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, welcome, they are shadowing us today. Thank you for being here. Hopefully you enjoy the meeting.

**Permission to Open Bids:
Old Courthouse Second Floor Corridor Restoration**

President Kiefer: Next is I would like to ask for permission to open bids for the Old Courthouse second floor corridor restoration.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Is there any discussion? Alright, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Joe will open those and we'll just come back to those later.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Okay.

ONB Events Plaza Capital Improvements Projects

President Kiefer: Next is action items, we have here with us David Rector to present ONB Events Plaza capital improvements projects.

Dave Rector: Good afternoon, Commissioners. Dave Rector, Building Authority. I had sent to you, a couple of weeks ago, I think, recommended needs at the Old National Events Plaza, coming out of Food and Beverage and out of Operating for your consideration. Would like you to take a look at that, see if you have any questions, let us know. Darren Stearns and Harry Cochran of SMG are here, and then would ask that we could come back to you after the next meeting and approve what items that we deem necessary. These are for your consideration.

Commissioner Abell: Do we need a motion to table, or are we just going to take it up at the next meeting?

President Kiefer: I think we probably, Joe, do we need a motion to table?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No.

Commissioner Abell: We're just going to take it up at the next meeting?

President Kiefer: Yeah, we'll just take it up at the next meeting. Then, you know, I appreciate this. I mean, it does give a pretty detailed description of all the different items, you know, I mean, coffee dispensers and vacuums, you know, just everything.

Dave Rector: That's why I want to table it and come back at the next meeting, because I know you're going to have some questions on some of these. There's a couple of big hits on here too you're going to see that we are going to do now or later. It's one of those things that's going to hit us, but we'll have to determine when do we want to do it.

President Kiefer: But, some of these things you'll probably get competitive bids on, like carpet and things like that?

Dave Rector: Oh, yeah. These are budgetary numbers right now.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Dave, I have a question about the carpet. That Exhibition Hall, that's the big one on this end?

Dave Rector: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Is carpet the best covering for that floor?

Dave Rector: Several years ago, that carpeting has been down now seven, eight years? Another administration they requested that we carpet that Exhibit Hall, that they thought that it could bring in more events if it was carpeted versus just concrete floor. I'll let Harry or Darren respond. I think it has brought in some events maybe that it wouldn't have on the concrete. The problem is now, those tiles have been discontinued, we're down to maybe a dozen left to replace them. They're glued to the floor, so, now we've got glue on a concrete floor that's going to be difficult to get up if we don't go back down with more carpet tiles.

Commissioner Abell: I mean, I thought that they bring like big equipment in there.

Dave Rector: They do.

Commissioner Abell: I can't imagine a bulldozer treads going over carpet and it still doesn't reflect in the carpeting.

Dave Rector: Harry, do you want to make any comment? Harry's the one that has to deal with it, but, you're correct, they do bring in trucks on it, heavy equipment.

President Kiefer: Do you have to carpet the whole thing? Can you, like make the portion that gets the big wear and tear?

Dave Rector: I'm afraid now the effort to try to get the glue up off the concrete without putting down more carpet to try to scarify that concrete, I think we're going to get more mess than just going back down with tiles.

Darren Stearns: Yeah, Darren Stearns, Old National Events Plaza. I will say that we do a lot of banquets and stuff in the Exhibit Hall, which the carpet was laid my first year here, or right before I started, so, from what I'm understanding is there's a lot more events that are willing to have it down there than on a concrete floor. We do put plywood down, like when we have a motorcycle show or trucks we put plywood down for them to drive in on the carpet, to protect the carpet as much as possible. We've got enough of that to go from one end of the building to the other, but as far as paving one, or the carpeting one side or the other, it needs to be uniform, because if they use the entire Exhibit Hall then you've got something sitting on one side with concrete and the other has got carpeting, that kind of thing.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: I assume that carpeting probably also helps the sound in there?

Dave Rector: It did.

Darren Stearns: Yeah, I mean, as you know, it's a big area with the high ceilings, so, it does help the vibrations from the sound as well.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, we'll hear it at the—

Dave Rector: Yeah, if you would, take a look at what we've proposed—

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Dave Rector: — get back with any of us on questions, and then perhaps we can take it up at the next meeting.

Commissioner Abell: Could I ask you another question?

Dave Rector: Certainly.

Commissioner Abell: Where are we on getting the new electronic signage out over there?

Dave Rector: April 7th I have to apply for the variance for the additional signage, and the special use for the marquee, to be heard on the May 15th BZA meeting.

Commissioner Abell: You're not anticipating any problems, I guess?

Dave Rector: I hope not.

President Kiefer: That brings up another question. Darren, I notice on your advertisements you're still advertising Larry Aiken Theater, you know. Do you always advertise events specific to the theater like that? I mean, why wouldn't it just be advertised Old National Events Plaza?

Darren Stearns: Well, it depends on what the event is. Like our Broadway season was last April, or, you know, it started in October, but the promotional items for that are all done in April for the fall, and that's through Jam Theatricals. So, they have been changing some of those, but there are some of those that have been put out before that will have that Aiken Theater on it from past shows. All the new shows should have Old National, they might mention Old National Events Plaza, Aiken Theater, because some shows will want a direct theater name to it, but most of them we can convince, we've been able to convince it's Old National Events Plaza. That's the promoters discretion, since it's their show.

President Kiefer: Okay, thanks.

Commissioner Abell: Dave, is the other signage, does it have to go before BZA too? Or, can you just change that out? Where are we on that?

Dave Rector: No, it has to go before BZA for a variance.

Commissioner Abell: Everything does?

Dave Rector: When we put up the Centre signage that was over the allowable 200 square feet, then we went up to almost 1,000 with the Centre. Now, with the ONB signage it's going to be greater than that, so we have to get another variance.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. Okay, looking forward to changing the name so that everybody knows what they're looking for.

Dave Rector: Good. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

Computer Services: WOW Agreement & Addendum: Central Dispatch Courts: IT Lease Agreement: Digital Recording System Upgrade

President Kiefer: Next is the Computer Services, WOW business solutions agreement for dark fiber connection between Central Dispatch and the Civic Center data center, and addendum to the business solutions agreement regarding the lease of dark fibers between the Civic Center Complex and the Central Dispatch Center on Harmony Way. The agreement will enhance the city-county disaster recovery stance, provide faster data replication and recovery. The city and county are to pay a rental fee of \$1,500 per month for 36 months, and \$3,000 a month for the lease of the dark fibers connectivity systems. This was approved by the Evansville Board of Works on 3/20/14.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Mr. Staples is on break, spring break this week, but this has been approved by the City of Evansville Board of Public Works. I think they want to move ahead with this. I've reviewed the agreements. The agreement, the business solutions agreement and then the addendum, and I believe that they are in order for consideration by this body.

Commissioner Abell: When it says the city and county are to pay a rental fee of \$1,500 a month for 36 months and \$3,000 a month, is that \$1,500 a month from the city and \$1,500 a month from the county?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No.

Commissioner Abell: Or, \$750 from the city and \$750 from the county?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Right.

Commissioner Abell: Just wanted to clarify.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Discussion?

Commissioner Abell: Tim, did you have something that you needed to add to it? You're here for the courts?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: This will be on both agreements. This will be on the addendum and on the regular agreement?

President Kiefer: Right.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: So, there's a motion and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Next is the Courts IT lease agreement for digital recording system upgrade. I see Tim Van Cleave is here to discuss this. My notes show that this is a three year lease financing agreement with Kansas State Bank of Manhattan for the Vanderburgh Circuit and Superior Courts for the digital recording system upgrade from Windows XP to Windows Seven. The annual cost is \$18,883 for three years.

Tim VanCleave: Correct. This is part of the Microsoft upgrade path that the Information Technology Advisory Council has presented before this Board multiple times, and is also an element that the judiciary is needing to upgrade to move forward with network archiving as well.

President Kiefer: Right.

Commissioner Abell: Tim, just for the benefit of our viewing audience, the bank, Kansas State Bank of Manhattan, that is done by Microsoft? That's not something we solicited, is that correct?

Tim VanCleave: That is correct. It is through Word Systems, who installed the digital recording system initially in Circuit Court and then into Superior Court. They arranged for this financing package.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, since we're not using a local bank, I just wanted to clarify that we didn't really have any part in that. I'll move for a do pass.

President Kiefer: Second. Discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Tim VanCleave: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thanks, Tim.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Next we have department head reports. The County Attorney, do you have the bid reports, or are you still working on that?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I'm still working, if you can give me another minute or so.

President Kiefer: Okay, we'll go to the County Engineer then.

John Stoll: I've got two items for you this evening. The first is a request to award contract VC14-04-01, repair of the streets in Clear Creek Subdivision to E&B Paving for \$114,500. They provided the low bid on that project.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: Then, the second is a time extension request for contract VC13-11-01, the Slate Road Bridge rehab. Deig Brothers submitted a letter requesting a seven day extension on their contract, which would provide for them to keep the contract going until April 7th. The concrete repairs and that go in a little deeper than what we had anticipated, so it is taking them additional time. I would recommend that the time extension be granted.

President Kiefer: So, there's no money involved, just a time extension?

John Stoll: Correct.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Any discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: We don't have all of the final quantities of items used on that project as of yet. So, it's possible there may be a change order at the tail end of it, but right now there's nothing that I've got that says that it will have any additional cost yet. But, just wanted to let you know that it is possible, whenever we do get the final bills.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

John Stoll: Thanks.

Health Department

President Kiefer: Any other department head reports? Gary Heck, did you have anything that you wanted to—

Gary Heck: I've got some introductions.

President Kiefer: Great.

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

President Kiefer: That's what we'll do then.

Gary Heck: Gary Heck, Vanderburgh County Health Department. The acting chair of the Vanderburgh County Board of Health is here, Cathy Engle, and Dr. Ken Spear, our new Health Officer, is here. As you requested at the last meeting, he would like to come to introduce himself and present himself to the Board.

President Kiefer: Great, thank you very much. Dr. Spear, I would love to hear from you. Thank you very much for being here. We really appreciate and are happy that you are in your new position.

Dr. Ken Spear: Thank you very much, number one, especially for the kind comments in the newspaper. I was at the spring meeting of Health Officers in Indianapolis at the last meeting. I am Dr. Ken Spear. I saw the job come up, I applied, and was very excited to be chosen as the new Health Officer. The first week has been like drinking from a fire hose over the last two days. So, I'm still above ground, and I will keep drinking for awhile until I can learn the role. It's very exciting, and I look forward to being there for a number of years to come.

Commissioner Abell: Go ahead.

President Kiefer: Thank you. We appreciate it. It's very exciting to have you aboard. We know it's a big, you know, huge department to get your arms around. So, we're looking forward to some really good things.

Dr. Ken Spear: Thank you. Thank you very much.

Commissioner Abell: Well, Dr. Spear, I would just like to say that, you know, we know that it doesn't pay what doctors normally make in salary, so, we certainly consider it your contribution to our community.

Dr. Ken Spear: Actually, when I talked to my wife, I said, you know, I retired for a year and a half, I couldn't stand that. I said, you know, I just hate it. I hate retirement. I have to do something. I looked around at a number of opportunities, this came up, and I thought, this actually is a way to give back to the community and participate in the community at a much different level than ever before. So, I just am very happy to be here, and look forward to working with you all in the future.

President Kiefer: Well, we look forward to having you here at the meetings when you can make it, and appreciate you being on board. Feel free to call any of the Commissioners anytime you need us. We would like to be involved and know more about what's going on at the Health Department.

Dr. Ken Spear: I appreciate it. I'll be looking to you for wisdom. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Well, you can always look to Ms. Engle and Gary too, because I sat on the board with Ms. Engle for a couple of years and she's quite knowledgeable and does a great job. You've got a great board and you've got a great staff, so, we're real happy for you.

Dr. Ken Spear: The staff is a really impressive staff I've met. The board is a very impressive board. That was part of the reason that I decided to take it because they really look like good people to work with. So, thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, they are a very dedicated board.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Dr. Spear.

Commissioner Abell: Welcome to county government.

President Kiefer: Gary, was there anything else you wanted?

Gary Heck: I don't have anything else to add, sir.

President Kiefer: Okay. Thank you. Ms. Engle, did you have anything that you wanted to express while you're here?

Catherine Engle: No, I just wanted to thank you for approving our new Health Officer. It will be a pleasure to work with him.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you very much. Appreciate that.

County Attorney

President Kiefer: Okay, next is, the County Attorney can submit the bid report.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: There were three bids that were submitted in connection with the Old Courthouse second floor corridor renovation. This is the next phase of the Old Courthouse renovation. They did the first floor last year. Anyway, three bids were submitted. The first was from Danco Construction, the base bid is \$119,235. There were four alternates, I'll just read those quickly. Alternate one was \$14,545; alternate two, \$4,840; alternate three, \$3,830, and alternate four, \$8,580. So, those are the, that's the bid by Danco. The next bid, the second bid out of the three was from Deig Brothers Lumber and Construction. That bid amount is \$108,600. So, that's the base

bid. Alternate one, \$11,774; alternate two, \$3,968; alternate three, \$ 2,779, and alternate four, \$6,213. That's Deig Brothers bid. Then, the final bid was from Arc Construction, and their base bid amount is \$151,900. Alternate one, \$11,500; alternate two, \$6,700; alternate three, \$3,900; and alternate four, \$15,900. I would ask that these bids be taken under advisement and reviewed and come back in the next few weeks for consideration.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Any discussion, public comment? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

New Business/Old Business

President Kiefer: Okay, next, is there any new business before the Commission? Old business?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Public....do you have something?

Jeff Mueller: No.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay. Public comment? No public comment, okay.

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Madelyn, consent items please.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the March 25th meeting are as follows; we have approval of prior minutes, there's the March 18, 2014 Commission meeting minutes and the March 25, 2014 Executive Session summary minutes. Employment changes for the Commissioners approval, there's one for the Health Department. The Commissioners have the Bohannon sewer project final disclosure report and Section 3 report. Evansville ARC has the January and February 2014 report of activities and meeting minutes. The County Highway Garage has the March 10th through 14th department report. The County Engineer has pay request number 192 in the amount of \$872.71 for TIF projects and a department head report, and we have the Weights and Measures monthly report.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve the consent items?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Is there anything else? Then, I will ask for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:27 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the March 18, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.
Approval of the March 25, 2014 Executive Session Summary Minutes.
Bohannon Sewer Project: Final Disclosure & Section 3 Reports.
Evansville ARC: January and February 2014 Report of Activities/Minutes.

Employment Changes:

Health Dept. (1) County Clerk (5) County Assessor (1)

County Highway: March 10-14, 2014 Department Report.

County Engineer:

TIF Pay Request No. 192: \$872.71.
Department Head Report.

Weights & Measures: Monthly Report.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Joe Gries
Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer	Madelyn Grayson
Dave Rector	Darren Stearns	Tim Van Cleave
John Stoll	Gary Heck	Dr. Ken Spear
Catherine Engle	Sydney Maurer	Meghan Lasher
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**VANDERBURGH COUNTY
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**VANDERBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 8, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 8th day of April, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for April 8, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Present.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: So, next we would like to do the Pledge of Allegiance. I would like to ask David Rector to lead us.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you, David.

Announcement of Withdrawal of Rezoning Petition VC-1-2014

President Kiefer: Note for anybody here in attendance for the Marx Road rezoning. The petitioner has withdrawn this request and it will no longer be heard tonight. So, I just wanted to, in case anybody was here for that rezoning, it has been withdrawn.

**St. Wendel Men's Club 5K Grillin' and Chillin'
Road Race Road Closure Request**

President Kiefer: Under action items, we have a road race request. Grillin' and Chillin' 5K. This event will be held primarily in Posey County and on a few Vanderburgh County roads within the vicinity of St. Wendel Catholic Church on June 7, 2014. The Sheriff's Office has reviewed and approved this request. Is there any comments or questions? Anybody from the public?

Chris Herr: I'm from St. Wendel.

President Kiefer: Okay, would you like to make any other comments?

Chris Herr: No.

President Kiefer: Questions from the Commissioners? Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, we did have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Good luck and have fun. Thank you.

2014 Old National Events Plaza (The Centre) CIP Projects Request

President Kiefer: Next we have David Rector regarding the Old National Events Plaza capital improvements projects. David, last week, I mean, last meeting you gave us some extra time to look over this. I appreciate that. I think it's a little bit clearer, you know, with the breakout, how you've done this. You know, I feel pretty good about it, but is there any comments or questions from Commissioners?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

President Kiefer: I think this looks good.

Dave Rector: I think it's a little bit clearer, and we understand that we'll go to Council on the Operating Funds.

President Kiefer: Yeah, what we have here, total capital projects, using the Food and Beverage would be \$267,500, with some much needed items for the Old National Events Plaza. Then, the other one is Centre Operating, \$301,000. Again, just for things to be used in the operation of the Old National Events Plaza, and you have to go before Council on that.

Dave Rector: Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: He wants approval just on the Food and Beverage.

President Kiefer: Yeah, so you want approval on Food and Beverage. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved on the Food and Beverage.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, further discussion? Anybody from the audience? None? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Dave Rector: Do you also need to take action on the Operating? Or, is that Council only?

President Kiefer: I think, once it goes before Council, then maybe it comes back to us?

Dave Rector: We've not done this before.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: What I would do is, if you all want to make a recommendation that he go to Council, you might want to do that. Does that make sense?

President Kiefer: I think that's a good idea.

Joe Gries: Yes.

President Kiefer: Is there a recommendation to have David go before Council on the CIP Operating?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Did you say yes?

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: I tried.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, that sounds good. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Dave Rector: Thank you, Commissioners.

President Kiefer: Thank you, David. Appreciate it.

Dave Rector: Thank you.

<p>Permission to Award Old Courthouse Second Floor Corridor Restoration Bid to Deig Brothers Lumber & Construction</p>

President Kiefer: Next, I would like to ask permission to award Old Courthouse second floor corridor restoration to Deig Brothers Construction. Anna Beth Pfafflin with VPS, is she here.

Anna Beth Pfafflin: I'm here.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay.

Anna Beth Pfafflin: If anyone has any questions.

President Kiefer: Yeah—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: They were the low bid.

President Kiefer: – Deig Brothers was low bid on this.

Anna Beth Pfafflin: Yes. We already recommended alternates one, two and three, and there are a couple of contracts floating around up there. Did you get those contracts?

Kristin Comer: Yes.

Anna Beth Pfafflin: Okay. The work will begin after the contracts are executed, Monday, April 28th. We have an event for the Bar Association on the 26th. So, we could commence as soon as that following week. Our substantial completion date is June 30th.

President Kiefer: Yeah, and this is pretty exciting too, because we weren't for sure if there would be enough money, but there was, obviously, I think we had enough money to redo the Governors—

Anna Beth Pfafflin: The Governors Parlor.

President Kiefer: – Parlor, which was the original County Commissioners offices. So, that's going to be able to be done. I think there was some other—

Anna Beth Pfafflin: The staircase—

President Kiefer: –the staircase.

Anna Beth Pfafflin: – one staircase is going to get new treads on an entire flight.

President Kiefer: Right, because they were actually broken. There's chips in them.

Anna Beth Pfafflin: They're very worn.

President Kiefer: Yeah, and as much as, you know, we like the historical feature of that, it's a danger—

Anna Beth Pfafflin: It is.

President Kiefer: – and needs to be fixed. So, what we would like to do is ask for a motion to award the bid to Deig Brothers Construction.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

**OCH 2nd Floor Corridor Restoration Contract: Deig Brothers
Superior Court: Professional Services Agreement: R. Barrett
Superior Court: Professional Services Agreement: K. Williams
Burdette Park Miniature Golf Management Agreement
Purchasing: AT&T Long Distance Service Contract Extension**

President Kiefer: Next, under contracts, agreements and leases, the Commissioners Old Courthouse second floor corridor restoration agreement with Deig Brothers. This is basically the same thing, it's just now we're going to do the contract.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, do I need to do a second?

President Kiefer: I don't think we need anything else. Anyway, is there any discussion?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, nobody from the audience? Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you. Next is Superior Court home verification officer agreements with Sheriff Deputy Ryan Barrett and Sheriff Deputy Kelly Williams. Two independent contractor agreements, one with Ryan Barrett and one with Kelly Williams for drug, alcohol testing for probationers of the Vanderburgh County Adult Probation Department. My understanding is the agreements run from May 1, 2014 to May 1, 2015.

Joe Lutz: Yes, sir.

President Kiefer: Okay, and then they'll be paid \$27.50 an hour for these services.

Joe Lutz: Yes, sir. This is just a continuation of a contract we've had in existence for a number of years. There's been no increase in salaries.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there any discussion amongst the Commissioners?

Commissioner Melcher: No, move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much.

Joe Lutz: Thank you, sir.

President Kiefer: Next is the Burdette Park miniature golf course management agreement. This is a six month agreement with Gary Schnell for the operation, management and maintenance of the Burdette Park miniature golf course and concession stand from April 15, 2014 to October 15, 2014. The county should save 20 percent of all gross, should receive, will receive I should say, 20 percent of all gross income derived from the operation of the miniature golf course and concession stand. The county will continue to pay the utility costs, but will no longer pay for labor or other expenses related to the operation of the miniature golf and concession stand. Steve is here to elaborate.

Steve Craig: Well, I think it's pretty self explanatory. I know the people can't see it, but we have been having, I guess, the revenues and that has been declining, and I had talked to Mr. Schnell, he uses the golf course quite often and is a business man in the local community. He had some ideas that we had actually came up with ourself about doing it, and I think it puts us in the position where we're not going to have anything at stake other than paying for the utilities and putting the course up. He's got a chance to expand it to some new ideas. He's had some ideas about having, you know, free movies for kids at night and stuff. The upside down house has had a ton of people there, and this will give them a place that they can get concessions and that at night, and maybe even play the golf course. We're looking at, I met with Rick Mitchell, he's a landscape architect, and John McNaughton the other day, and we're going to, we've got some money left in our donations to put up some lights at night. Looking at putting some lighting in there and that will bring more people out to the park later at night. I think it's a win-win situation for us.

President Kiefer: I think it's a good idea too, Steve, because it takes the risk out of our hands and puts the risk in, you know, a private entity who's willing to take that risk, and we get 20 percent of whatever he earns. So, I think it's a good deal from my perspective. Is there discussion or questions from Commissioners?

Commissioner Melcher: Move to approve.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Abell: Okay, thank you. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Steve Craig: Thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Congratulations! I think that's a great idea and I'm looking forward to playing some miniature golf out there.

Steve Craig: I challenge you to a game.

President Kiefer: Okay. Thanks.

Steve Craig: Okay.

President Kiefer: Next is the Purchasing AT&T long distance services contract extension. This agreement extends the previous joint city-county AT&T long distance service agreement that expired in November 2013, for a period of three years.

Debbie Spalding: Yes, Debbie Spalding with Purchasing. Exactly what you said. We would just like to extend that contract.

President Kiefer: Okay, great, thank you very much.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: The city already approved it, is that correct?

Debbie Spalding: Yes. The Board of Public Works approved it a week ago.

President Kiefer: Okay, are there any questions?

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Debbie Spalding: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Debbie.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Next, department head reports. County Engineer, John Stoll. Sorry, Pat, you were second on the list.

Patrick Seib: That's okay.

John Stoll: I just have one item, I've got a time extension request from Deig Brothers for the Slate Road bridge project. With all of the recent rains it's not been suitable for them to complete the project. They're asking for another ten day extension, which would make the completion date April 17th. I would recommend approval.

President Kiefer: That's an easy one.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: That's all I have.

President Kiefer: John, don't go away. We may need you here in a few minutes.

John Stoll: Will do.

President Kiefer: Thanks.

County Highway

President Kiefer: Pat, now you're up.

Patrick Seib: Good evening. Patrick Seib, County Highway Superintendent. The first item that I have tonight is to request permission to close a section of Trapp Road. That's up in the northwestern part of the county, specifically at a point seven tenths of a mile south of Baseline, to a point four tenths of a mile north of Buente Road. We have some, three washout areas along the side of the banks. The ditches there are approximately ten feet deep, and they're starting to undermine the roadway. We had plans to go ahead and repair those, but, especially with this last storm that came up, it aggravated those areas. With the road already being narrow as it is, averaging about fourteen to fifteen feet wide, we feel it best just to close that section off until we can get in there and do the work.

President Kiefer: So, indefinitely?

Patrick Seib: Right now, and I should say before this rain storm hit, we were looking at possibly a four to six week closure time. Right now that could vary depending on what the weather looks like, and our backlog of projects to get done from this last storm event.

President Kiefer: Is there local traffic in there that will lose access to their—

Patrick Seib: The only part in that segment is just field access, but we think that we can block it off at a point where the farmers, if and when they need to get in their fields, can still do that.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Patrick Seib: I think along the whole section of Trapp there's three or four houses, there are plenty of roads for people to get out and around.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: On the picture you sent us, it kind of goes down and over and then down again. Are we going to put signs right there before they get there that that road is closed?

Patrick Seib: I've gotten with the Traffic Department and they've said, I'll go ahead and determine how many signs we need, and they said they'll go ahead and make those up as fast as possible, so that we can stick those (Inaudible).

Commissioner Melcher: I think if we warn them ahead of time, before they get there, and then have a sign—

Patrick Seib: Right.

Commissioner Melcher: — and that. That stops all of that turning around, because it doesn't look like there's a lot of room to turn around.

Patrick Seib: We'll have plenty of signage up. Not that people always like to pay attention to signs, but, yes, we'll have plenty of advance signage for them.

President Kiefer: Do you feel fairly confident on the length of time that you'll have the road closed?

Patrick Seib: Right now, given the storms that we just got, like I said, no, not really. Depending on what the weather may hold in store for us now, but, like I said, best case, we're looking at maybe four to six weeks.

President Kiefer: Now, when you put down a road closed sign, will you have, if, you know, if they've got questions your number on there, or some place they can call? Or, would they just think to call the Commissioners office? I mean, will there be a phone number on there or something?

Patrick Seib: Well, I can get with the Traffic Department and see if they can make a sign up like that.

President Kiefer: I think that would be good. So, that way people can call, you know, if they need to. There's probably not that many people that use it, but those out there would know who to call.

Patrick Seib: Sure thing.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I think that, I seen an e-mail from the Sheriff, but I didn't know if you had replied to him. They probably need to know when we do it too.

Patrick Seib: Yeah, I'll let them know. I talked to Major Pace today, and he said that once we get that going, he said they'll have some extra patrols out in that area while all of that is going on.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

President Kiefer: Maybe our friendly media person will write a story about that being closed down for a time period so the people know. Okay, is there a motion to approve his request?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Patrick Seib: Another item that I have is, I guess, to request permission retroactively to close bridge number 1430. That's on Nurrenbern Road, six tenths of a mile south of Broadway. My bridge foreman was out with some of the staff from John Stoll's office today, there was damage, a washout of one of the corners of the bridge, and in their estimation they needed it closed immediately. So, we got some barricades out there. Again, we don't know, at this point, how long it's going to be closed. I spoke to John just briefly about it today. Whether or not it's going to be something that he can contract through, or we can go ahead and do with our own forces. Right now that's all up in the air, but we'll go ahead, as soon as we can, and get on that and figure out a schedule.

President Kiefer: Okay, and you'll keep us informed on—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: We need a motion.

President Kiefer: —yeah—

Patrick Seib: Yes.

President Kiefer: —when everything is ready to be re-opened back up too.

Patrick Seib: Yeah.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Patrick Seib: The only other thing that I had was just to remind the Commission that starting on Monday, the Highway Department will be switching over to its four/ten schedule. So, we'll operating from Monday through Thursday, starting at 6:30 in the morning, and ending at 4:30 in the afternoon.

President Kiefer: And, a reminder that at the next meeting, April 22nd, will be our road hearing—

Patrick Seib: That will be our road hearing.

President Kiefer: – for the public. So, okay, thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. President?

President Kiefer: Go ahead.

Commissioner Abell: Pat, there was a call on a bridge that was out out near Scott Township Fire Department. That's what was reported to me it was out. Did somebody go out there and look at that road?

Patrick Seib: Out on Baseline?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Patrick Seib: Out on Baseline, I went out there. I met with them last Friday. I met with one of the Lieutenants out there of the fire department. I let them know that we had seen it, we are aware of it. Again, that was something that we already had on the books to go ahead and fix, and then we got the storms that came through and we have a whole lot of other areas out there that are worse than that, but we told them that, yes, we see it and we will get to it as soon as possible.

Commissioner Abell: Does it need any kind of barricade or anything? Or is it not that bad?

Patrick Seib: Right now, it's up to the edge of the pavement. We have a saw horse barricade sitting out there to let people know right there, but traffic can get around it.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, thank you.

Patrick Seib: Yep. Any other questions?

President Kiefer: No, and you're going to go before County Council on the salt tomorrow?

Patrick Seib: Tomorrow morning, 8:30, bright and early.

President Kiefer: Okay, thanks, appreciate it.

Patrick Seib: Thank you.

New Business

President Kiefer: Alright, is there any new business?

Commissioner Abell: Mr. President?

President Kiefer: Yes?

Commissioner Abell: I would like to request permission to appear before the County Council tomorrow morning, providing I can speak, and ask them to transfer \$500,000 out of the Reserve Account into Roads and Streets to repair the roads in the county this year.

President Kiefer: That sounds like a great idea. Good idea, Commissioner Abell. I'm glad you thought of that. Yes, I mean—

Commissioner Abell: I've talked to Mr. Raben, and Mr. Raben, I think, has talked to Mr. Gries. There is money available. It's money, you know, that we keep for emergencies. I think we're in an emergency at this point.

President Kiefer: Yeah, Joe, do, I mean, do we need a motion for that?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, I would go ahead and make a motion to make a Council call for that request.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: I'll second it.

President Kiefer: Okay, so we have a first and a second. Thank you, Commissioner Melcher. Thank you, Commissioner Abell. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: That was a good idea.

Old Business

President Kiefer: Under old business, reminder, again, I already said this, but just a reminder, Tuesday, April 22nd, following the regular Commissioners meeting at 5:00 p.m., we will have a road hearing for anybody in the public that would like to come and talk to us.

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Next, under public comment, I think Mrs. Burger and her son are here. They have a house at Bohannon Estates area, and when that project was

done, recently done, they've had some rain situation that's caused them some problems due to that project, or at least that's their, you know, what they think has happened. I've asked John Stoll to go out and investigate that, which I think John did. So, perhaps, Mrs. Burger, if your son or you want to address this, just give us a brief summary of what the situation is. Then, John, maybe you can come up and help answer questions, or tell us what we need to be doing.

Sabra Burger: Do you want me to come up there? We have a house that–

President Kiefer: Oh, I'm sorry, Mrs. Burger, can you state your name and address for the record?

Sabra Burger: I'm sorry. My name is Sabra Burger. My address is 4001 Bohannon, and my son is co-owner of that house. We are in Bohannon Estates. We've been there 29 years. I have. Okay? Twenty nine years ago we had water drainage from above us, and it inundated everything. I have a letter here if you would like for me to read it from the contractor who put in a berm and did all the work to–

President Kiefer: Sure, if it's a short letter, go ahead.

Sabra Burger: It's very short. It's dated April 28, 2014:¹

“To Whom It May Concern: In April-May of 1986 we had a berm and a swale installed around the south and west perimeter of the property located at 4001 Bohannon Court in Evansville, Indiana. The berm and swale corrected a water problem coming from the adjacent property which caused toilets not to flush as well as leaving showers, dishwasher and washing machines unusable. It also left the yard wet longer than necessary.”

Sabra Burger: You couldn't walk in it or mow it. This solution worked successfully for 28 years until the people that came out to put the sewers in compromised the laterals and destroyed the berm. It says here:

“The berm and swale allowing waters to freely flow onto Mrs. Burger's property causing an excess of unabsorbed surface water, making it difficult to maintain what had previously caused no water problems.”

Sabra Burger: This is on...would you like the letter?

President Kiefer: Yeah, if you don't mind.

Sabra Burger: She has a copy.

President Kiefer: So, we can keep this copy?

Sabra Burger: It's from the construction company that did the berm.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you so much. This is dated April 8th of this year. Mrs. Burger, if you don't mind going back to the mic. I just have a question. One of the

¹Should be April 8, 2014.

reasons they did this project out there, which, you know, was a major project, and I think we had federal funding to help do this thing.

Sabra Burger: I appreciate it. I have tapped into it. I approve of it.

President Kiefer: Oh, so you have tapped into the sewer?

Sabra Burger: Yes, I tapped into it, even though I had problems. This is a separate problem. This is, when the people that did the work—

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Sabra Burger: – destroyed the berm and they compromised the laterals.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Sabra Burger: Which there's, the water that comes down on us, it doesn't drain anywhere, and it's also gone to our neighbor. He has a mudslide about double wide this podium here. It went over to Mackey's—

President Kiefer: Yes.

Sabra Burger: – the water went everywhere, but before that, the berm went around the west and the southern perimeter, and it came down and it drained into a ditch. But, when the sewer, whatever you call those big, concrete things, were put in, it crossed that, so, it crossed the berm and the swale couldn't drain.

President Kiefer: Well, thank you very much for coming tonight and sharing with us this concern. I definitely want to investigate this. Perhaps, John, you can come up and, you know, tell us what you found, and then maybe we can further go out and investigate this and see if we can help them out. Because I do know that she's having a lot of trouble that wasn't here before this project. Oh, yeah, do you got pictures?

Sabra Burger: Yes, I do.

President Kiefer: Well, we'll be glad to take a look at those.

Sabra Burger: I have doubles. So, my neighbors took pictures of them.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Sabra Burger: From across the street.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Is this copy for us?

Sabra Burger: This is yours.

President Kiefer: Thank you. We'll just take a look at these.

Sabra Burger: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Our County Engineer is, he's going to help try to address this.

Sabra Burger: Thank you both. I really appreciate you both, because right now the water is....I don't have any use of my facilities.

President Kiefer: Mrs. Burger, I think John is trying to get something up on that computer screen here.

John Stoll: Based on the inspections we've done out there in response to Mrs. Burger's drainage issues, I just put together some Power Point slides just to give you some bearings as far as where everything is. Mrs. Burger's house is outlined there with the black outline, and I just overlaid that on a contour map showing the general drainage. You can see down to the southwest there are the lakes where that water drains out, and it all drains, as you can see, kind of northeast towards that property. I can't see what the contours actually are labeled--

President Kiefer: I can see it's 416, 414, 412, 410, the closer you get to Bohannon Court the elevation drops.

John Stoll: This is the layout of the sewer. Again, here, back here in this bottom corner is Mrs. Burger's house. These red lines indicate where the sewer was put in. The sewer on the Burger property was placed along the south property line. This is just a blow up showing that part of it again. The blue outline is the lot, and then the black line is the sewer. This is a photo that was taken prior to the start of the project. Here is a stake down near the manhole location at the very southwest, I shouldn't say at the very southwest corner, near the southwest corner of the Burger property. This is the far west end of the sewer run. The sewer then went towards the utility boxes and out across this vacant property to the east of the Burger property. I believe that was the Mackey property, if I remember right. I can't read that from here. The reason I put this slide in here is this was taken right before the project started. Justin Shofstall with Easley Engineering was out there, and Tom Goodman and Dave Castrale from my office were out there, as far as taking pictures showing the conditions prior to the start of work. This is one of the things that I was telling Mrs. Burger about during our conversations, our photos taken prior to construction did not show any kind of detailed swales of any kind. This ground is fairly flat through there. One of the things, the initial discussions was that the water went along the south property line and then came up the east property line to come to the street. I took this photo off of Google Earth and these are dated, I believe they are April and May of 2012, but there's no defined swales coming up between the Mackey property and the Burger property here. The only swale that existed was between the Burger property and the Chapman property to the north. There's a swale that came through here, as you can see, where the cursor is.

President Kiefer: John, not to interrupt your thing, but you've been out there, you've looked at it, I mean, what's it take to fix her problem?

John Stoll: That's one of the problems we've been trying to figure out is, we didn't have any documentation showing the swale. The sewer plans didn't really show a swale, our photos prior to construction didn't show a swale, so, I didn't have the ability to tell the contractor what to go put back, because we had no documentation of anything in existence.

President Kiefer: But, a swale would fix it do you think?

John Stoll: Well, going along the east property line there was really no practical way of doing it, because we never disturbed anything on this east property line over here.

So, if that was the outlet point, there was, if we cut a swale along the south property line and we get to the southeast corner and it would be lower than the side yard, and we didn't work in the side yard of that property. So, there was no practical way to cut a swale through there, and not having any data that showed one was there, that made it difficult. I've contacted the contractor, because one of the things we were asking them was to look into the possibility of whether or not, like Mrs. Burger said just now, that the water ran to the west, see if there's anyway that they could do some final touch up work that would force the water to the west. I just spoke to the contractor at 4:00 this afternoon, so, they had not had a chance to go out there and take a look and see if that was a possibility, but on the basis of some discussions that Tom Goodman of my office had when he was out there on the site on Thursday I guess it was, that was really the only way that he could see that it might be able to be drained, given the fact that cutting a swale on the south line and draining to the east was not going to provide an outlet point for the water. So, long story short, we're talking to the contractor, they're going to look into the possibility of whether or not they can force the water to the west and then north along the west property line, which would then potentially outlet where this swale cuts between the two houses here.

President Kiefer: You know, you may be 100 percent correct, but the bottom line is it appears to me from these pictures, and she's lived out there for twenty plus years, she didn't have a problem, now she does have a problem. You know, I mean, it seems like we're obligated to help her some way, unless the other Commissioners, you know, have some other ideas, but, I don't know what the solution is, but I would love for you to continue to work with her to see if there's something we could do to help her.

John Stoll: I'm not saying that there wasn't a swale there in 1986—

President Kiefer: Yeah.

John Stoll: — it's just all of our photos prior to the start of this project didn't show anything, but, yeah, we could continue to work and try to figure something that will try and improve the conditions.

President Kiefer: Commissioners?

Commissioner Melcher: I don't have anything to say.

President Kiefer: Any comments? Mrs. Burger? Yeah, come on back up. John, thank you, I mean, I guess my only request is, see if we can work out a reasonable solution for her, because, you know, I think, obviously she's got water on her property that she wasn't getting before. Mrs. Burger, did you have comments that you would like to—

Sabra Burger: Well, very briefly—

Commissioner Melcher: You'll have to come to the mic. We record everything.

Sabra Burger: I'm not used to doing this. I've never been, so, please forgive my lack of expertise in this. The man that put in the swale put it along the woods, and that's not what what's his name, Justin, showed. He showed a path that goes straight to Donna Mackey's house, okay? It goes straight over to, there's a new Carpenter's house, but the swale was along the forest and it made a curve behind where the

television boxes are and electrical boxes are. We also had our electrical system dug up. They cut our electrical lines, and had to be repaired in December and January. Then it went down between Donna and I. It's true you can't see the digging, but when it rains, it follows that trail. Whenever they cut across with what they had to do for the sewer, it blocked all of that drainage.

President Kiefer: John, can maybe you, and maybe we can get the County Surveyor out there too. He's got a lot of expertise in, you know, this kind of drainage stuff. Whatever, can you walk the property with her and see where she's talking about?

Sabra Burger: I can't, I can show you, but I can't walk it.

President Kiefer: Well, perhaps maybe your son can. He waived his hand.

Sabra Burger: Yeah, because I'm a heart patient and I don't–

President Kiefer: I understand. We thank you, the Commissioners thank you for coming out and we want to try to help you if we can.

Sabra Burger: I thank you for your efforts. I know you're going to help me and I appreciate that. Thank all of you, John, all of you. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, John is going to work something out with your son to meet out there and kind of walk the property with you and try to better understand what the situation is.

Sabra Burger: Thank you so much, all of you. I appreciate you listening to me and trying to help. I really do.

Commissioner Melcher: Thanks for coming.

President Kiefer: Thanks for coming out. Is there any other public comment? Do we have students out in the audience today? Okay, well, while we're doing public comment we just want to recognize the students, and thank you for showing up to the meeting.

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Under consent items, do you want to, Madelyn, read those off?

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the April 8th meeting are as follows; we have approval of prior meeting minutes, there's the March 25, 2014 Commissioner meeting minutes and the April 8, 2014 Executive Session summary minutes. Employment changes for the Commissioners approval, there's one for the Superintendent of County Buildings, three for Burdette, one for the County Highway, one for the Health Department and one for the Centre. The Commissioners have a notice of sale of property acquired by tax default at 766 East Cherry Street. The Auditor has the March 2014 A/P vouchers. The County Clerk has the January and February 2014 monthly report. The County Treasurer has the February 2014 monthly report. The County Highway March 17th through 21st and 24th through 28th 2014 reports. The County Ozone Officer has the February 2014 monthly report. The County Engineer consent agenda for March 25, 2014.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: The only question I had was on the notice of sale of property acquired by tax default at 766 East Cherry Street. Aren't we on a program where we were going to try to get those properties in the hands of the city?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, we're still working on it. The legislation, I don't think goes into effect until the summer.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: We'll be considering a resolution within the next couple of months on that, along with the city, and then apply for some grant funds.

President Kiefer: Yeah, because that property is probably an ideal location for the city.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, we have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

<p>First Reading of Rezoning Ordinance VC-3-2014 Petitioner: John Elpers Address: 21 Mt. Ashley Road Request: Change from Ag to C-4 with UDC</p>
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President Kiefer: Okay, we have a couple first readings in the rezonings. First reading of VC-3-2014, John Elpers at 21 Mt. Ashley Road, change from Ag to C-4 with a use and development commission, or use and development commitment. Is there a motion to accept this first reading and move it on to Area Plan?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

<p>First Reading of Rezoning Ordinance VC-4-2014 Petitioner: Troy Tornatta and Big Rapids LLC Address: 3510 N. St. Joseph Avenue Request: Change from Ag to C-4 with UDC</p>
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President Kiefer: Next we have a first reading of VC-4-2014, Troy Tornatta and Big Rapids LLC, 3510 N. St. Joseph Avenue, change from Ag to C-4 with a use and development commitment. Is there a motion to move this, to accept this for first reading and move it on to Area Plan?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Withdrawal of Rezoning Petition VC-1-2014 as Amended
Petitioner: NEEMA, LLC
Address: Part of 6608 Marx Road
Request: Change from Ag to C-4 with UDC

President Kiefer: Then, finally, final reading of VC-1-2014 as amended, petition withdrawn. Is there a motion to adjourn?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:39 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the March 25, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.

Approval of the April 8, 2014 Executive Session Summary Minutes.

Notice of Sale of Property Acquired by Tax Default: 766 E. Cherry St.

Employment Changes:

Health Dept. (1)	The Centre (1)	Supt. Of Bldgs. (1)
Burdette Park (3)	County Hwy. (1)	County Clerk (2)
DADS (1)	Sheriff (1)	Co. Assessor (3)

Auditor: March 2014 A/P Vouchers.

County Clerk: January and February 2014 Monthly Reports.

County Treasurer: February 2014 Monthly Report.

County Highway: 3/17-3/21 & 3/24-3/28/14 Reports.

County Ozone Officer: February 2014 Monthly Report.

County Engineer: Consent Agenda/Department Head Report.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Joe Gries	Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer
Madelyn Grayson	Chris Herr	Dave Rector
Anna Beth Pfafflin	Joe Lutz	Steve Craig
Debbie Spalding	John Stoll	Patrick Seib
Sabra Burger	Others Unidentified	Members of Media

**VANDERBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Joe Kiefer, President

Marsha Abell, Vice President

Stephen Melcher, Member

(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 22, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 22nd day of April, 2014 at 5:07 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for April 22, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here. Thank you.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: Next, I would like to ask Troop 327 from Holy Redeemer to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you. Before you guys go back, would each of you like to tell us your name and maybe what grade you are in?

Madelyn Grayson: At the mic.

President Kiefer: At the microphone.

Brenson Brown: Brenson Brown and I am in sixth grade.

Austin Griffin: Austin Griffin and I'm in sixth grade.

Nate Flamion: Nate Flamion and I'm in seventh grade.

Kweli Cleckley: Kweli Cleckley and I'm in sixth grade.

Jake Winstead: Jake Winstead and I'm in sixth grade.

Hunter Lutz: Hunter Lutz and I'm in sixth grade.

Tom Keith: Tom Keith and I don't want to tell you.

President Kiefer: Thank you Troop 327. We really appreciate you being here today.

Right to Life Proclamation

President Kiefer: Next, under action items, is a Right to Life Proclamation. I would like to ask Commissioner Melcher to read the proclamation.

Commissioner Melcher: This is a proclamation for Right to Life of Southwestern Indiana, Protecting the Unborn:

"Whereas, the Right to Life of Southwestern Indiana has served as a model citizen-based public advocacy and education organization within the framework of our legal and political system; and, Whereas, the members of this organization have committed themselves to assisting those facing an unexpected pregnancy through numerous and consistent outreach efforts, public education and financial support for local agencies that provide directly for the immediate needs of those in a pregnancy situation; and, Whereas, Right to Life of Southwestern Indiana has sponsored many events for youth that gives them first-hand experience in exercising their rights and obligations as citizens engaging "the public square", and, Whereas, the members of the Right to Life of Southwestern Indiana reflect virtues central to our American identity by committing their time and resources to advocate not for themselves, but for those who do not have the ability to represent themselves; and, Whereas, Right to Life of Southwestern Indiana has demonstrated a consistent and principled dedication to a tenet fundamental to the founding of our nation-namely the unalienable right to life; Now, Therefore be it Resolved, that the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners offers this proclamation and appreciation to the officers, board of directors and the members of the Right to Life of Southwestern Indiana organization in recognition of their longstanding commitment to upholding and exercising the fundamental civil rights that ensure the dignity of every American, born and unborn."

Dated this 22nd day of April, 2014, Board of County Commissioners; Joe Kiefer, President; Marsha Abell, Vice President; and Steve Melcher.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Commissioner Melcher. I think, this is probably, what, the third time we've done this, or fourth? How many times have we done this proclamation? I know it's been numerous years.

Commissioner Melcher: At least three.

President Kiefer: At least three years. So, I thank everybody for that. Marilyn, I mean, Madelyn, I'm getting my names stumbled up, could you do roll call please?

Madelyn Grayson: We don't have a motion.

President Kiefer: Oh, we need a motion. Thank you. I was so excited about the proclamation that I forgot the motion.

Commissioner Abell: Move to accept the proclamation.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you very much. That passes and there is a banquet on Thursday night, so, we'll present that to them.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Next is department head reports. I see we have a couple of department heads out here.

John Stoll: I've got two items relating to the Maryland Street bridge rehab. First I've got a notice to bidders for that contract that I need your approval on, and approval to advertise. The notice to bidders on its current schedule would be advertised this coming Friday and the following Friday. We would then open bids on May 13th, and, hopefully assuming all the bids come in good that we'll have the contract award on May 20th. But, this will be the replacement of the beams, the deck, the guardrail, the approaches, all of that over the Pigeon Creek bridge on Maryland Street. So, I just need your approval on the notice to bidders.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: The second item was just your signatures on the cover sheet. I've got the plan cover sheet up there, and CHA Consulting can then put that on the final bid set of construction plans.

President Kiefer: Do we need a motion for that?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, motion please.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: That's all I have, unless you have any questions.

President Kiefer: Thank you, John. Anybody else? No other department head reports? Okay.

New Business

President Kiefer: New business? I don't see any.

Old Business

President Kiefer: Under old business I'll ask Joe Harrison to give us a report.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: As you know, due to the numerous roadway defects on North Green River Road in connection with the improvement project back in 2011. The county was forced to file a law suit against those involved with the design and construction of the project. Such lawsuit was filed on October 1, 2013, and is now pending in the Warrick Superior Court. It was venued from Vanderburgh County Circuit Court over to Warrick County. The defendants involved in that case have,

with the assistance of a mediator, recently made a proposal to the county to settle the lawsuit. Under the proposal, Blankenberger Brothers, the general contractor under that project, will make the necessary repairs to Green River Road, and Blankenberger will provide an extended warranty to the county with respect to such repairs. Under the proposal, Blankenberger will commence work on the repairs within the very near future and the repair work should be completed before the end of summer. Pursuant to the proposal, the other defendants in the case will make a significant monetary contribution to cover a portion of the costs of the required roadway repairs. If you're willing to accept the proposal by all defendants, a final settlement agreement will be drafted detailing all of the specific settlement terms and conditions for consideration by the county at one of the upcoming Commissioner meetings in May. Jeff Ahlers, an attorney here in Evansville, will be working on the settlement documents if the Commissioners decide to go forward, and, accordingly, if you're willing to accept the conditional proposal, I would ask that a motion be made to move forward with the proposed settlement proposal subject to consideration of a final settlement agreement, which will have to be approved by the Commissioners at a future meeting. Do you have any questions?

President Kiefer: No, I'm familiar with it. Thank you, Joe, for the report. I think the bottom line is the road is going to be fixed and it's going to be fixed this summer, and, hopefully we get the agreement in place to get that settled. I would like to ask for a motion to accept this.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: Is there a second?

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Before I vote, I want to make sure I'm only voting to move it forward, because we haven't seen the total agreement, and I get the opportunity to read that before I vote. I vote yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I agree. This is just moving it forward. We're not really voting on the final plan right now. We're just voting on moving it forward to get the final plan for us to vote on. So, I vote aye.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes. I agree with that. I mean, obviously, you have to see the final document, and I agree with that. You know, in concept, if this works out, then we can get this road fixed and finished. With that, I'll vote yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Commissioner Abell: Mr. President?

President Kiefer: Yes?

Commissioner Abell: I would like for my two fellow Commissioners to entertain the thought, and it's just a thought now, because we won't have to vote on this until we see the final contract, but, I think that in view of the way the road was bid out when it was originally bid, there was a company hired, an engineering company hired, to oversee the construction. To make sure that the road was built according to the specifications. I don't see any reason why we shouldn't entertain also hiring an engineering company to oversee this construction as well, to make sure that it is done according to what it says it's going to be built, so that we aren't back here next year with this same problem again.

President Kiefer: That's a good idea. I think it's prudent to do that. Good suggestion.

Commissioner Melcher: Yeah, I'm okay with it.

President Kiefer: Okay, so do we need to do anything with that? Do we need a motion?

Commissioner Melcher: Not yet. We haven't got the—

Commissioner Abell: Wait until we get the contract.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, let's wait until the final—

Commissioner Abell: It may be a moot point.

President Kiefer: Okay, good enough.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: One thing I would say, before any agreement would be considered by the Commissioners, it will have to be signed off by all of the other defendants first before it's presented. We're hoping that's, hopefully that will be done next month.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you, Joe, for that report. Any other old business?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Is there any public comment? Okay, thank you for that.

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Madelyn, if you could do the consent items.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the April 22nd meeting are as follows; we have approval of the April 8, 2014 Commission meeting minutes. The employment changes for the Commissioners approval, there are three for the Health Department and 12 for Burdette Park. The Commissioners have the Schnepfer settlement agreement, two appropriation requests, one for the ONB Events Plaza capital improvement projects and two for road repairs. We have an Economic Development Coalition grantee performance close out report. The Sheriff has a waiver of rental fee for the ONB Events Plaza. The County Highway has the March 31- April 4 and April 7-April 11, 2014 department head reports. The County Treasurer has the year-to-date investments and the March 2014 monthly report. The County Engineer has a consent agenda and department head report. The Assessor has a request to

surplus office machines to Computer Services. The Board of Health has a request to surplus various office equipment. SWCD has the April 14, 2014 monthly report, and the IBAP Gatekeeper has the March 13, 2014 periodic report.

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, great.

Road Hearing

President Kiefer: Now we can move into the road hearing portion of the meeting. I would like to open up with John Stoll and Pat Seib. Will you, John, give an overview of the road hearing then? Basically we're going to hear both from the County Engineer and the County Highway Superintendent on paving projects and road and bridge projects.

John Stoll: Yes. In years past the Highway Superintendent and I have kind of split these up as far as what we thought would be contract work versus what would be County Highway paving work. Given the money situation and given the types of damage we've seen from this winter, we don't have them split that way. So, you'll probably see me and Pat both jumping back and forth as far as work that his office may have done, and also work that we think might be contracted out. What we've done so far is taken the roads that Pat and his staff have found to be problems, problems that my staff has found, and problems that have been phoned in to the Commissioners office and put them all in this Power Point. So, that way at least we'll give you a preliminary idea of what's out there that needs to have some repairs.

Commissioner Abell: John, could I ask you are your, do your presentations tonight, are they based on the cash that we know we have to spend? Or, are you budgeting for the \$500,000 that we're hoping the Council's going to give us?

John Stoll: We have not assigned a cost to these as of yet.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

John Stoll: Not knowing what kind of feedback we might receive from the public. So, once we get the input from this evening's meeting, plus then get the priorities from the Commissioners, then we can start figuring out what we can actually get done. But, on the basis of what's in this slide show, there's no way we would be able to get all of this done for the money that is out there right now, even including the extra half a million.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, okay. That's not good.

John Stoll: I know. The first slide we've got here is one that you're familiar with. We've already awarded a contract to start these repairs. This is out in Clear Creek Subdivision. This contract was in the neighborhood of \$110,000. Work is ongoing right now. There have been some increases in the costs, and we will come in with a final total soon, but I'm going to guess it will end up being more in the neighborhood of \$125,000. This is Kansas Road, Pat can chime in on this one, but this is some repair work that he's already had to undertake with his staff due to extensive damages out there.

Patrick Seib: Yeah, this is a project that came up in early January, after the big ice storm and the sub-freezing temperatures that we had. We went out and we did what we could during that weather, and here within the next week or so we should be back out there to finish that up. This is also one of ours that we've started on. This is in Plantation Estates, Old Plantation Drive. This is another one that the road started failing pretty bad back in between the storms. So, we went out and started doing some work. Same for Stonecrest Subdivision; Cascade Drive and Cold Water Drive, I believe those have already been surfaced. Wimberg Road, this is right underneath the, this is at the train underpass. It wasn't just potholes and everything, the pavement giving up, but we had a lot of drainage work to do out there. So, that project is ongoing. Alameda Drive, this is another one that our staff came across.

Commissioner Abell: Where is that?

John Stoll: Out off of Old State, not too far north of Campground. It's on the east side of Old State.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, okay.

Patrick Seib: Again, Rusher Creek Road, this is out in the very northern end of the county, the Arby's there at Highway 41. This is another one that we found on Aster Lane in Ashley Place Subdivision, that my crews have plans to go ahead and get started on. Baseline Road, this is almost to Warrick County. Boehne Camp Road, we've had a lot of calls about this one. Yes, this is on, the County Highway will be out there fixing that.

John Stoll: This is one we just had phoned in yesterday. This is out in Old Petersburg Place. This is on a dead end street kind of up in the northeast corner of the subdivision. The overall condition of the streets is not terrible, but as you can see in those photos, there are a few bad spots that are out there.

Patrick Seib: This is Posey County Line Road. This is on the east-west section. From what I can gather, they had called in about it last year to get it fixed, and between last year and now it's gotten even worse. So, the County Highway will be out there fixing that.

John Stoll: Eagle Crossing is one that's carried over from years past. Again, there are some problem areas out there. It's not throughout the entire subdivision, but as you can see from some of the broken concrete out there, some of the areas that have failed are in pretty bad shape. The same holds true, this is Elpers Commercial Subdivision, this is off of Highway 41 west, this is west of Highway 41, just south of the pictures that were just up there for Rusher Creek. You can see where the concrete has settled in an area there. This is not too far west off of 41. This is another one that's carried over for many, many years that we haven't had the funding to take care of. Fox Hollow and Edinborough they're up off of the Heinlein Road area. Pretty extensive concrete repairs are needed out there, as you can tell from those photos. We had tried to get those done in the last couple of years, but the money just hasn't been available to make that happen. The same here with Harper Heights, this is out off of Highway 65. Chastain Drive, we got some complaints, it was probably about February, where there were some pretty severe problems that the Highway Department had to go out and patch just to make it passable for one resident, next to his driveway. As you can see, in both of those pictures, the concrete has broken up pretty badly. Here's one that, I guess, the Highway Department has been patching already.

Patrick Seib: Yeah, this was, we had received this call, again, we went out and put some temporary patching in there before we could come in.

President Kiefer: I've got a question for you. When you do a permanent patch, like one the size that's shown here in this picture, after you put the asphalt down, what do you do then? I mean, how do you tamp it, roll it, I mean, do you have equipment for that?

Patrick Seib: We have two different size rollers. We have a large roller for when we do the big roads, but we also have a smaller roller that we just come back and compact that. All that stuff around there, the cracked up asphalt that you'll see. We'll come in, we'll saw cut that, we'll dig that all out and put new hot mix asphalt in there.

President Kiefer: Do you ever just, like on the....so, on the temporary ones, is that where you just roll over it with a truck tire?

Patrick Seib: A lot of that is what they call the throw and go—

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Patrick Seib: — when it's just these potholes. We'll go out there, depending on the temperature, get some cold mix or some hot mix in the back of the truck, they'll shovel it in, we have hand tamps that they'll either beat it down, or, like you said, with a truck tire and roll over it.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Patrick Seib: And you can see that's what we've been doing just to get through until we can come back.

President Kiefer: So, those are just temporary fixes on those throw and goes?

Patrick Seib: Exactly.

President Kiefer: Okay.

John Stoll: Heckel Road was one of the roads discussed for some paving last year, and I know there have been on-going discussions with the Commissioners about totally reconstructing Heckel Road. If we get a contract to reconstruct Heckel Road, obviously we won't need to worry about doing any paving work there. We might need some temporary patching that would last until the road project goes, but this is showing signs that it's going to need some significant repairs if we don't end up rebuilding it. I know, based on my discussions with each of you, I know that's something that we're going to move forward with in the near future. So, this might just be more temporary patching than anything else. This slide shows a number of the problems out in Keystone Subdivision. As you remember, we started some work out there last year, I don't remember the dollar figure, I think it was around \$200,000 worth of repairs were done out there last year. We still have some areas that need some repairs. Given the funding situation we're looking at it will probably continue on until next year, based on having to distribute the money all throughout the county, but there's a number of spots, as you can tell, on numerous streets in Keystone where we need to do some repaving. It will probably be a situation where if it can't be done, totally repaved this year, the Highway Department crews may have to come out and do some patch work just to make it carry through to next year.

Commissioner Abell: Didn't we think that Keystone was a three year project? We did a third last year—

John Stoll: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

John Stoll: Depending on how we prioritize things and the final dollar figure, it may have to carry over even further than that, just depending on what we can obligate to this this year, but, again, we set those priorities, working with you here, after we get all the input from the public. Ladonna Boulevard, that's out there near Alameda off Old State, the same general area and same type of problems. Middle Mt. Vernon, this is just out next to Boehne Camp, very similar problems to the slide that you saw a second ago on Boehne Camp, a lot of potholes and general deterioration. This one on Pollack Avenue was a complaint that was phoned in to the Commissioners Office. Again, we tried to include all of those that Kristin had received in your office. There's a couple of areas there that you can see that need some patching, but overall the problems aren't as extensive as what we've seen in some other areas in the county. Here the complaints we received, I believe these came in to the Highway Department, didn't they?

Patrick Seib: Yeah, I believe these did come in to the Highway.

John Stoll: As you can see there's some problems at the intersections out on several different spots on St. Joe Avenue. We've got Baseline Road, we've got Adler Road, and then we've also got Frontage Road where the pavement is breaking up pretty bad, and if it's not resurfaced it's going to need some pretty extensive patching. Schutte Road was another one that was a complaint phone in. Again, there's some spot problems, it's not great throughout the entire road, but it's not nearly as bad as some of the other problems we've seen throughout the county. Seven Hills Road, I believe you were out there and saw that one.

Patrick Seib: Yeah, this was one that had come in through our office, this is in between Volkman and Old Highway 57. The road, just over the course of the winter, has deteriorated in a couple of spots. We'll get out there and reconstruct.

John Stoll: This is another one of the complaints that was phoned in through the Commissioners Office. It's more of a drainage complaint than a road condition complaint, but I'm not sure exactly what the source of those problems actually is, but given the heavy rains that we had around that time frame it may be just that the storm sewers didn't have the capacity. We'll have to do some additional checking to see and to make sure the storm sewers aren't plugged and that everything is in proper working order. This was phoned in as well. In this case it looks like maybe some ditching might need to be done, but we'll have to look into this further, or maybe there's a driveway pipe underneath that plugged up. We'll investigate that further as well. The Villas Subdivision is another one that's been on the paving list in the past years. We've got concrete deterioration that, as you can see, some asphalt has been thrown in there to try and temporarily fix it, but it's going to need some concrete repairs before everything is all said and done.

Commissioner Abell: Where is that?

John Stoll: It's off of Eissler Road. It's about, well, Deerfield doesn't access Eissler, but it butts up to the west side of Deerfield, just on the south side of Deerfield. Willow Creek is another one that has carried over from years past. This is out in the southwest part of the county off of Strueh-Hendricks Road. Windemere Farms, that's off of, up in the area of 57 and Kansas, and you can see by the paint marks, the Highway Department crews had already begun the process of digging that out to get ready to patch it back when these pictures were taken. Woodgate Subdivision, this is also off of Eissler Road. This is on the south side of Eissler, just east of where the Villas ties into Eissler. Wright Drive, this is a dead end, basically one lane road off of Meier Road. This is a little bit west of St. Joe Avenue. As you can see it's got very significant pavement deterioration. These are a number of the railroad crossings that I know Pat has been looking into.

Patrick Seib: Yeah, I have been in contact with the railroad that goes up through there, and we had talked about, they had said that if we would go ahead and supply the asphalt that they'll go ahead and take these, they've already, the railroad has been abandoned through there, but as you can see in the pictures, you can tell where they've already taken up the track on either side of the road, but the rails have been left in the road causing bumps as people go over it. The railroad said that they would like to get those replaced yet this summer, and we'll work with them on that whenever they get back to us with a time line.

John Stoll: The balance of this, this is, even though we didn't put pictures from all of these subdivisions, here's a number of the locations that carried forward from last year that we didn't have funding to complete last year. Like I said, unfortunately, there's not going to be enough money to go around again this year, but there's a number of locations that we still have to deal with that aren't even included in this. That's all we had based on what we've found so far and what the complaints that were phoned in.

President Kiefer: Okay, any questions?

Commissioner Abell: Well, I was looking at the list that we have, and I think you've got all of those on there, but I do believe I have two more to add, and I'll just have to get with you on them that came direct to me on an e-mail for us to take a look at. It looks like to me that we've got more than we're going to be able to afford to do. You know, I think, as we've sat through these year after year after year, two things that, you know, are kind of becoming obvious to me is, what are we doing wrong?

You know, our roads, I mean, I know it was a bad winter, but these roads just don't seem to be holding up even anywhere near what they should, and the other thing is is that the three Commissioners have talked about and I think we've discussed this with Pat is, one of the engineering firms in town has talked to us about doing a road repair program. You know, putting that in, and maybe it's time we think about spending the money to do that, because I feel like it's every year we're just chasing our tail. We don't seem to get anywhere ahead on this.

John Stoll: One of the things that, in some of the subdivisions that you see that were on that list, it seems like the repairs were in some of the larger subdivisions, Havenwood Meadows, Keystone saw an extensive amount of truck traffic as all of the houses were being built. So, that's one thing that we think probably played a role in causing some of these newer ones to deteriorate. Another, I know we've talked about this as far as changing the street standards to try and add more asphalt, more rock in order to try and make the roads hold up longer. So, that's another option we'll probably need to look into as well.

President Kiefer: Right now, John, my understanding is we use, you know, we're following standards from INDOT?

John Stoll: No, they're just local standards.

President Kiefer: Just local standards, but isn't it a rule of thumb that we—

John Stoll: We've, the minimum standard would be three inches of asphalt on six inches of rock.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

John Stoll: Or, a six inch concrete pavement, but those aren't based on any INDOT standards, those are just locally developed standards.

President Kiefer: So, that might be part of what you're talking about, Commissioner Abell, we may need to look at the standards?

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

President Kiefer: Because, obviously, from looking at the road repair and having newer subdivisions, we had newer subdivisions in previous years, you know, with roads that fail. So, it could be that we've got to look at the standards.

Commissioner Abell: Commissioner Melcher, you dealt some in that road program that I was talking about. Would that also include, would they be giving us some advice on what we should be doing in the way of road standards? Is that part of that program?

Commissioner Melcher: I believe it was. Basically what they do, they go out and they drive all of our roads, and they put it on some kind of a computer data base. Then they try to, they can plan when it's going to be breaking down, like they know if you put it in now, it shouldn't break down for 20 years, but five years from now we need to chip and seal it, let's say.

Commissioner Abell: Uh-huh.

Commissioner Melcher: We don't do that. We do this every year, because of the money we have. So, we don't do maintenance ahead of time, because we don't have the money to do that, but if you could...I think what Warrick County did a few years, well, a long time ago, they ended up putting in a lot of money up front to do this, to get this up to standard, and then they kept it going and they weren't behind at all. They were always kind of ahead of the game. Then Commissioners changed, and I think the same way the Highway Garage changed, and they quit using the system. But, I think if we would get a system and continue to use it, I think that in the long period we'll save money.

Commissioner Abell: Well, I do too.

Commissioner Melcher: You know, because it's going to tell us ahead of time, like they would be able to print out a report, these ten roads you need to look at and see if they need to be looked at now, but you're always going to have call ins because you're always going to have failures, you're always going to have rain filling the ditches or filled up ditches. So, you're always going to have exceptions, but it does take care of the main roads.

Commissioner Abell: Well, maybe we ought to revisit that. You're familiar with this program, I think, aren't you, Pat?

Patrick Seib: Yeah, and I've been involved in conversations with MPO and with Warrick County, the City of Evansville, and I believe now they're getting Henderson County and the City of Henderson on board. We've gotten some, the MPO has gotten some proposals in and I think we're going to start doing some interviews with some of these companies. Yeah, a lot, kind of like Commissioner Melcher was saying, once this type of program would get going, it would be kind of a mix of fixing what's going wrong out there, but also doing some practices to other roads, that they may not be failing right now, but stuff that we can do to them to keep them in good condition so that they don't fail, so that we are, hopefully, eventually getting ahead of the curve on that.

President Kiefer: Would it be possible to get maybe a spreadsheet or a comparison of other communities, what other road standards are, paving standards? Like what are the standards for other, you know, like I'm curious, like Ft. Wayne or South Bend? I know they're up north, so it should be a little bit more rigid because they get colder weather, but, I mean, it would be nice to know how our standards sit in the mix. You know, what's Owensboro's standards look like? You know, I mean, it would be nice to see how our paving standards stack up. Are we at the top of the heap, the bottom or in the middle?

John Stoll: Before Pat became Highway Superintendent, he was actually putting some of that together. So, I haven't done anything with it since he went to the Highway Department last August, but we were in the process of trying to come up with that. I know we're not at the top of the heap, I know that much, beyond that I couldn't tell you where we rank. Our standard was not nearly as much as a lot of what we were finding.

President Kiefer: I mean, I know it would take a little work calling other County Engineers, you know, to get that—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, it may be in their ordinances.

John Stoll: That's where we find it, online. I know Pat did quite a bit of searching for that.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, I would check around Indy, some of the other....Hamilton County, Marion County, some of those counties that--

President Kiefer: Yeah, I think if we matched up to some of the northern cities that, surely that would be good enough to cover us here. It's something to look at.

John Stoll: We'll keep working on that. Some of those too, like Keystone, for example, the original developer of that subdivision lime stabilized all of the subgrade before he paved. So, the fact that it has failed didn't make a whole lot of sense, because usually that's going to keep it in great shape for a long period of time. He, that developer even went out and did some repairs before we even asked. So, it's not that there was substandard construction going on out there. That one, I'm not just trying to single that one out, I know there's others, but that's one that came off the top of my head. So, some of these it may not just be standards related. Maybe the soil conditions weren't right or certain things like that, but we can definitely look into the standards side of things and report back to you.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Some of them looked like a water problem. There looked like a lot of standing water in all that stuff.

President Kiefer: Is there anybody from the public? I see one gentleman here at least, but, I mean, is there public here that would like to speak? Come on up. State your name and address for the record please.

William Koch: My name is William Koch, K-o-c-h. The address is 5750 Shoreham Drive. That is in the Keystone Subdivision. Last year we worked with you folks and John and we drove, the chairman of our committee, we drove the roads and we pointed out things that we saw. Then, John came through, and I would like to compliment John, you folks, for the work that was done. There were areas that needed to be dug out, and they were, the contractor dug them out, because we birdlogged, along with you folks, and the contractor did a beautiful job. When we were talking about all of this, we said, well, we've got an elephant. What do you do if you have an elephant and you're going to try to eat it? You're going to eat it one bite at a time. That's what's happening now. We realize that you folks haven't found a nursery that grows money on the tree. You've got so many marbles to play with. So, we're looking forward to what can be done this year. They did a good job last year, but as far as specs, I think John hit it, soil stabilization. If I'm a developer, I will put a road down to what you tell me, theoretically. But by the same token, I will probably balk at doing it, because that's money. How am I going to recoup that money? Why should the taxpayers, once I put the road down, the thing starts to crumble, who pays for it? The taxpayers. That's not right. So, I think you folks are on the right road of looking at standards that are above and beyond, because I've seen, I'm 87 years old and I've seen a lot of construction where they scratch the dirt and then put four inches of concrete down. No rebar or anything in it. It looks nice for six months, then after the first winter, the taxpayers have got a problem. So, I thank you for giving me the opportunity, and, again, thank you for what you did last year, and we're looking forward to this year. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Mr. Koch, thank you very much. I appreciate it. Good comments. Anybody else in the audience that would like to speak? Okay, John, I'm going to hand it back over to you then.

John Stoll: We'll, I'll send a PDF copy of this over to Kristin tomorrow, so that way this can be posted on the Commissioners webpage. That way if anybody else in the public has any questions or comments, they can contact any of us and we can go check it out and see where we end up once we start prioritizing all of the necessary repairs and assign costs to it. I'll get that over to Kristin tomorrow morning so it can be made available to the public.

Commissioner Abell: You know, something we might think about doing, and it would be the Commissioners and the two of you. Maybe we need to sit down with the Builders Association. You know, I'm sure the good builders that are spending the money to put the good roads in and have to charge a little bit extra for their houses don't want to lose out to the guy who could put a cheaper house in because he's saving some money on the road. So, you know, this seems like it's not, would not have to be a push down your throat type thing. We ought to be able to sit down with the Builders Association and see if they have some ideas too, because it affects them as well as us. You know, if their streets are torn up and they've only got half a development done, no one is going to buy in that development, if you drive down there and see the roads all torn up. So, I think that it would be something that would behoove all of us to try to get together and work something out. I would certainly be agreeable to, you know, joining in on that. Of course, the three of us can't be in a meeting together, but, you know, maybe we could advertise a meeting and have something open and talk to the builders about what they think.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: (Inaudible. Microphone not on.)

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, and if we get some things from some other counties and know what we're doing.

John Stoll: I just asked Pat, because I knew that he had compiled it, like I said, I hadn't done anything with it since he left my office, but we'll find what he had put together and expand on that and get you at least an initial draft of what we've found so far, and that would probably be a good starting point.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: On our paperwork we've got bridge projects. Do you got any bridges you was going to talk about? Or, was that just left over?

Commissioner Abell: We ran out of money on roads.

Commissioner Melcher: We already did one bridge, so.

John Stoll: I was going to say, Maryland Street will be the next one that is up. We're trying to finalize the plans to get Broadway and Johnson rebuilt. We have all of the right-of-way. The designers are working on the permits. So, hopefully, that one will go this summer. Then, once we see what money we've got left, we've still got Columbia-Delaware to deal with, as far as some rehab work there. That's currently under contract with a consultant, and we've also got to do some repair work out on the Franklin Street bridge and that's already under contract. Both have been on hold

due to lack of money. So, once we get these first two big ones awarded, then we'll see what's left over and hopefully I can give you better details then.

Commissioner Melcher: I think that's good, because at least the public is hearing it that's watching us. There will be a couple of reruns of this too.

John Stoll: The ones that we're doing, they're all local funds. We couldn't get federal money on them. Maryland Street is in the neighborhood of \$1.5 million, and that's taken several years to accumulate enough money to make that happen on a 100 percent local basis. I believe the estimate on Broadway and Johnson was \$700,000. So, again, large chunks of money when we're not getting federal participation. So, once we get those awarded I'll be able to give you a better update.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay, thank you.

John Stoll: Sure.

President Kiefer: Pat, John, thank you very much. If there's nothing else before the County Commissioners, I'll ask for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the April 8, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.

Schnepper Settlement Agreement.

Appropriation Requests: (3).

Bohannon Estates Sewer Project: Grantee Performance Closeout Report.

SWCD April 14, 2014 Monthly Report.

IBAP Gatekeeper March 13, 2014 Periodic Report.

Employment Changes:

Health Dept. (3)

Burdette Park (12)

Public Defender (1)

County Clerk (1)

Prosecutor (1)

Old National Events Plaza (Centre) Fee Waiver Requests:

Sheriff: 5/14/14: Joint Training with Courts, Drug Court & VCCC Personnel.

County Highway: Department Head Reports: 3/31-4/4 & 4/7-4/11/14.

County Treasurer: YTD Investments Report & March 2014 Monthly Report.

County Engineer: Department Head Report & Consent Agenda.

Surplus Requests:

Health Department: Various Office Equipment.

County Assessor: Office Machines to Computer Services.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Joe Gries	Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer
Madelyn Grayson	Brenson Brown	Austin Griffin
Nate Flamion	Kweli Cleckley	Jake Winstead
Hunter Lutz	Tom Keith	John Stoll
Pat Seib	William Koch	Others Unidentified
Members of Media		

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**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
May 13, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 13th day of May, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for May 13, 2014

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would like to ask Brian Gerth to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: I just want to say welcome Brian, welcome Teri, to enjoy the meeting tonight with us. We appreciate having you here.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Teri, if you could do the roll call please.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Teri Lukeman: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here. Okay. Thank you.

Open Bids for VC14-05-01: Maryland Street Bridge

President Kiefer: First we would like to open the bids for the Maryland Street bridge repairs...no wait a second. Bids for the Maryland Street bridge repair will not be opened this evening. This project will be bid out again at a later date and I think I remember John said there—

Joe Harrison: Yeah, there were some issues with the utilities and what they are going to do is clarify and speak with the city and Vectren and the other utilities to make sure that really is not on the county's dime, that it is something that will have to be paid for by the utilities, so this will substantially reduce the amount hopefully.

President Kiefer: Okay, that's good. It will probably be worth the wait then hopefully.

Joe Harrison: Yes.

Permission to Advertise: RFP Multi-Function Devices

President Kiefer: Next under action items, Purchasing, permission to advertise a request for proposal for multi-function devices and perhaps Debbie Spalding can tell us a little bit about that.

Debbie Spalding: Good evening. Yes, I am here to ask for your permission to seek request for proposals for multi-function devices. The city did this about four or five years ago and we had a contract with Xerox and at that time the county offices had asked if they could join the contract so we did hear from county offices that they would like to participate, so we would like to include them at the beginning this time.

President Kiefer: Okay, that sounds good. Are there questions? Okay. Is there a motion to do that?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Commissioner Abell: Debbie, I do have one question. How does this fit in with Mark Rolley's company? Do they not take care of some of those?

Debbie Spalding: Right now for the city they receive all the bills from the company, which is Xerox at this time, and then they disperse invoices basically to the departments for that. They keep track also of...we have data from five years of which departments have used how many copies so that we know if we need to scale back the size of the copier due to costs. We can do that because we have the data of how much copies they have actually done.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, and who takes care of the copiers? Who takes care of the copiers?

Debbie Spalding: They do. The company.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Okay, now roll call then.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

Debbie Spalding: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Permission to Advertise: VC 14-06-01: Concrete Repair for Various Roads
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President Kiefer: Next is permission to advertise VC 14-06-01, concrete repair for various roads and I believe Pat is going to discuss that since John is out today.

Pat Seib: Yes, good evening.

President Kiefer: Welcome, Pat.

Pat Seib: Patrick Seib, Superintendent of County Highway here for the County Engineer. I am here to request permission to advertise a notice to bidders for contract number VC 14-06-01, concrete repair of various roads. This will include roads in Fox Hollow Subdivision, as well as a portion of Schroeder Road to the west of Highway 41 and if approved the bids will be opened on June 3rd.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there questions? When would some of this work begin?

Pat Seib: Assuming the bids are opened on June 3rd, I'm not sure what the Commissions' schedule is, but I think they would be awarded, what would that be, the 17th?

President Kiefer: Okay.

Pat Seib: So probably late June or early July whenever that—

President Kiefer: So they bid to get the work and then do work during dry weather conditions then?

Pat Seib: Yes, hopefully we don't have all this rain.

President Kiefer: Yeah, okay. Anything from Commissioners? Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes. Okay, thank you.

Pat Seib: Thank you.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Contracts Agreements & Leases
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President Kiefer: Next is contracts, agreements and leases. County Treasurer 2014 tax sale contract with SRI, Inc. to provide tax sale support services on behalf of the County Auditor's office and the County Treasurer's office in connection with the 2014 county tax sale. SRI provided the same support services for the county last year. The per parcel fee for SRI's services has been reduced from last year's agreement from \$75.00 to \$70.00 per parcel that is. I was going to say, that's a good deal. SRI will be paid from the funds that the county collects in connection with such tax sale parcels and the County Treasurer Susie Kirk is here to elaborate.

Susie Kirk: Well, you've said it. I think everybody pretty well understands it. It's going to be the same things it was last year, so we did pretty well with it and we would suggest, obviously, and the County Attorney has looked everything over and he says it looks good and I assume you all got the email, so we're just looking for an okay from you if that's okay.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there questions?

Commissioner Melcher: No, move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, we have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

Susie Kirk: Thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Susie.

Commissioner Melcher: Thank you.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next under County Auditor, consulting agreement with David Zaldivar. This is for specific IT services for the management and administration of

databases utilized by the Auditor, Treasurer, Clerk, Health Department, Voter's Registration and Burdette Park. The City/County Computer Services is unable to provide the IT support for these databases because they are somewhat outdated and Mr. Zaldivar is to be paid \$75.00 per hour for the county contractual services line item which at \$75.00 an hour appears to be very reasonable to me. So it sounds like a fair deal for the county. I don't think this is anything that the computer services consultant had wanted to do especially at this rate. But anyway, is there any questions? I would ask for a motion to approve. The County Auditor couldn't be here tonight. I think he is at a conference or out of town or something.

Brian Gerth: Auditor's Conference.

President Kiefer: Auditor's, okay, yes. So if there are not any questions I'll ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Roll call please.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next is the Health Department. I see Gary Heck is here. This is WIC Peer Counselor Contract.

Gary Heck: Read it.

President Kiefer: This is the Breast-feeding Peer Counselor Contract with Laura Lousignant. I'm not sure. I am probably butchering her name. The cost is \$9.00 per hour to be paid from grant funds specific to this program.

Gary Heck: You stated it succinctly. The Board of Health has already signed off and approved it from their standpoint. We need the Commissioners to accept it to make it legal though and there are grant funds in the WIC program to allow this and we do need this individual to help us with our program.

President Kiefer: Yeah, I remember the discussions on the grant program, so there is probably not much further discussion, but if anybody has any questions? I'll ask for a motion and a second then.

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

Gary Heck: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Gary. Appreciate it.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Under Commissioners, we have a letter of intent with DMD regarding tax delinquent properties. I see—

Ron Beane: Yeah, I'm Ron Beane with the Building Commission. We are working with DMD on this grant.

President Kiefer: Okay, apparently this is a joint letter of intent between the City of Evansville and Vanderburgh County to be submitted to the Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority for grant funding from the Blight Elimination Program to acquire certain county tax sale properties which have uninhabitable structures on them. A list of 71 properties is attached to this letter of intent. Pursuant to the grant program the county is seeking to receive funds to pay the costs associated with acquiring these properties. Thereafter the properties will be transferred to the City of Evansville for additional monetary consideration. Did I pretty much cover that?

Ron Beane: That is it. If the...one of the conditions of the grant is that we have to hold title to the property for it to qualify and it also has to meet certain scoring criteria as far as being a blighted home. If it meets those conditions along with a few others it can be included in the grant and this agreement just states that the county is willing to transfer those properties that they have title to to the DMD to accomplish this goal.

President Kiefer: I think the long term goal is to clean up some neighborhoods where they have blighted properties.

Ron Beane: Absolutely.

President Kiefer: Either have those razed or repaired or whatever.

Ron Beane: This particular grant is going to supply funds just for demolition.

President Kiefer: Demolition, which is good because then the properties become available for new construction.

Ron Beane: Absolutely, absolutely. And the grant covers everything from the legal fees for the transfer of the title, the demolition work itself, the greening of it afterwards with grass or trees or whatever we put there. Really only the efforts of...the only efforts from the city will be just the manpower it is taking to put this together, but it is a great deal for our community. Should be able to eliminate anywhere between 100 and 300 houses that need to go.

President Kiefer: That sounds like a good program. I'm glad to see it and hopefully this will make the community a better place--

Ron Beane: Yes.

President Kiefer: --to live and so I think the Commissioners probably feel really good about this. Any comments or questions?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

Commissioner Abell: I looked at the list. I think all of these appear to be in the city, is that correct?

Ron Beane: Yes. One of the conditions of the grant is that it has to be in a development area and we can use some of the other things that are going on in Jacobsville and Center City to kind of leverage this grant. Unfortunately, once you get scattered out it kind of loses the effect, unfortunately.

President Kiefer: Hopefully some good development will come out of razing these properties.

Ron Beane: Some of the properties we have already worked with Habitat and they are taking some and they've got development planned and a few other community development corporations and even a couple of commercial developers are talking to us about some areas that they would like to have cleaned for some future developments, so the scope for the use of it after the demolition is pretty wide open. Like I said, it's all free money, basically, for us. We're excited.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further questions or comments? Seeing none, roll call please.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes. Looking forward to...what is the time line on this?

Ron Beane: The grant application is due June 17th. July 21st, I believe we get our notice of our award and then they said 45 to 60 days after that we can commence with contracts and demolition, so we have 18 months to get this completed.

President Kiefer: So in the next year and a half we may see all these property lots cleared?

Ron Beane: We hope to make a huge dent, yes.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Ron Beane: Thank you very much.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Dan Buck: Sidewalk Waiver Request: Enclave at Eagle Cliff (Deferred)

President Kiefer: Appreciate it, thank you very much. Okay, before we go on to department head reports I would like to cycle back and I'm not sure where the appropriate place for this was, but I know Mr. Buck is here. He wanted to ask about sidewalk waivers. Dan, if you want to approach the podium.

Dan Buck: Yes, my name is Dan Buck. I have a subdivision called the Enclave at Eagle Cliff. It went through Area Plan probably through the winter...probably last summer, I think. It was agreed upon at Area Plan that I would put sidewalks on one side of the main road so it would hook Felstead up to USI or Schutte Road area, which I agreed to do. I assumed that since it went through Area Plan as a yes on that that it was done, but now my engineer says I need to come back and it needs to be approved as a waiver on the rest of the streets. It has been a while. I don't know if Mr. Melcher can remember or not, but I've got plats here just in case, if you want to see what it looks like. But I'm just asking for a waiver except for one side of the main street.

President Kiefer: Okay, any...is there certain paperwork that has to be filled out for the waiver? Or is that—

Dan Buck: Generally, it comes from John, but John is at a conference tonight.

Joe Harrison: Do you think we could wait until next week when John would be here? Do you have a problem with that?

Dan Buck: No, I don't. I'm just trying to keep the project going and moving forward.

Joe Harrison: I think that would be better to wait until next week.

Dan Buck: Okay.

Joe Harrison: Because he may have some paperwork that needs to be signed off on by the Commissioners rather than just making a motion—

Dan Buck: Okay.

Joe Harrison: --and considering the matter.

Dan Buck: I don't have a problem with that.

Joe Harrison: They are meeting next Tuesday at 5:00.

Dan Buck: Okay.

President Kiefer: Okay. Hey, Dan, don't go away because I do have you coming back later. I mean, hang out. If you don't mind, stay awhile. I think I had you under public comment as well. Oh, no? Oh, okay.

Dan Buck: (Inaudible) thank you very much.

President Kiefer: That's it then? Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: Thank you.

Green River Road Settlement Agreement
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President Kiefer: Thanks, Dan. Next, sorry for the deviation from the agenda. Next I have Joe Harrison and he would like to discuss the Green River Road settlement agreement. And I believe Jeff Ahlers is here as well to discuss this.

Joe Harrison: I think on this particular issue, I think the Commissioners, I think we may want to put this off a week for the Commissioners to have a little time to read the document. I think when I sent this document out last week to the Commissioners, I think it may have gone out...I think I sent it out Friday afternoon when the storm was going through and I think maybe not everyone got it. I didn't realize that until today. So I think we may want to put this off until next Tuesday, but I will see what the Commissioners want to do.

Commissioner Melcher: I think, I appreciate you even doing this for us and everything, getting us this far. We really need...I think I need a little bit more time to read it too, so one more week shouldn't hurt. We've been waiting all this time. I understand it's a starting date, but I think next Tuesday we will be able to pass this.

Jeff Ahlers: Do you want me to give the overview?

President Kiefer: Yeah, that would be great.

Commissioner Melcher: Yeah, I was going to say...I was going to add that. Give your overview and that today. If we have any questions Mr. Harrison can answer them.

Jeff Ahlers: Okay. Jeff Ahlers with Kahn, Dees, Donovan & Kahn. As you know there were, due to the numerous defects on the North Green River Road project between Millersburg and Lynch Road, there were negotiations with the designers and contractors involved. Then subsequently that required litigation to be initiated in October of 2013 and that litigation was since pending in the Warrick Superior Court. Since that time there has been negotiations that have involved a mediator

and we have in front of you a settlement agreement that embodies the terms that have been agreed to by the other parties. As you'll notice, that settle agreement has been signed by all of the other parties that were involved in the lawsuit, the designers and contractor on the project. Under the proposal, the highlights are as follows: under the proposal the original contractor or the general contractor on the project, Blankenberger Brothers, Inc., would fix all of the defects in the roadway and there would be a warranty for over four years period of time on their repairs. So if you take into consideration that the road opened in the summer of 2011 and to where we are now you are looking at another over four years from now that they would warrant those repairs. The other defendants, mainly the designers and such, have kicked in approximately \$295,000 toward the repair the costs. The remainder of the repair costs that Blankenberger estimates to be \$450,000, that doesn't matter to the county. The county doesn't pay anything toward those costs. Blankenberger picks up the difference between what the other defendants paid in the amount of \$295,000, Blankenberger picks up everything over that regardless of the cost to fix those repairs that are outlined in the settlement agreement and then warrants those repairs for a period of time in excess of four years. In a nutshell after...if the agreement is approved by the Commissioners and the money is collected from the other parties and the lawsuit is dismissed we would anticipate that Blankenberger would start making repairs within the next few weeks or month. Pursuant to the settlement agreement those repairs have to be completed by September 1, so we would be looking at that roadway being repaired by the end of summer pursuant to the settlement agreement. And then again, like I said, it would be warranted for over four years after that period of time. If there are any other repairs to be made they are to be made by January 1, 2019. So that's generally what is in the agreement. If you have any other questions feel free to ask me now or call me or whatever you would like to do.

Commissioner Abell: I just want to wait because I want to talk to the County Engineer about some of this stuff about half inch movement and I don't know what all that is. I just want to make sure it's...we're not signing, because, I mean, we are pretty well signing off on this thing and we're stuck with this road and I want to...I haven't had an opportunity to read this so if it doesn't make any difference I would just as soon wait until next week when I have had an opportunity to talk to John Stoll about some things that I see in here.

President Kiefer: Okay, so we'll table this to next Tuesday. Thank you.

Jeff Ahlers: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Appreciate it, Jeff.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. President?

President Kiefer: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Along those same lines I think we do need to discuss the possibility of hiring an engineering firm to oversee this project. I think that we do that on any large project.

President Kiefer: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: I see no reason to not do that on this one.

President Kiefer: That makes sense, and so—

Joe Harrison: Do you think we could have proposals by the next meeting or do you have anybody in mind?

Commissioner Abell: I think Mr. Stoll has talked to a couple.

Joe Harrison: Yes, yeah.

Commissioner Abell: When will...is Pat still here? Does anybody know when John is going to be back?

Pat Seib: He will be back later tonight.

Commissioner Abell: He will be back later tonight? Maybe we could give him a call in the morning. Mr. Kiefer, would you be able to talk to him and see?

President Kiefer: Sure.

Commissioner Abell: See if he has talked to...I think he has talked to some. There was some discussion about whether...it has to be somebody that had nothing whatsoever to do with Green River Road at all.

President Kiefer: Right. Yeah, I know he had talked to somebody, so I'll see if he can bring something to us for next week.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, I think that would be prudent for us to hire somebody.

President Kiefer: Good, good suggestion.

County Highway

President Kiefer: Okay, department head reports. Pat. Are you reporting for John or yourself?

Pat Seib: This time I'm reporting for me. Patrick Seib, Superintendent of County Highway.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Pat Seib: Well, and I should retract that. I'm reporting for both of us. I'm here to present our prioritized list for the 2014 repair to roads in the county. We put this together after public input and after we had staff out investigating the roads. I put just a letter together and I laid some out for each of you to take a look at. If you would like me to read it into the record. The County Highway proposes our priorities in order of importance are Kansas Road, Cascade Drive, Coldwater Drive, Old Plantation, Boehne Camp Road, Middle Mount Vernon Road, Wimberg Road, Baseline Road, Aster Lane, St. Joseph Avenue intersection at Frontage Road, St. Joseph Avenue intersection at Adler Road, St. Joseph Avenue intersection at Frontage Road, Seven Hills Road, Stonewick Drive, Waterstone Drive, Beaumont Drive, Denzer Road, Posey County Line Road, Miranda Drive, Alameda Drive, Ladonna Boulevard, Havenwood Meadows Drive, Schroeder Road east of US 41, Heckel Road, Pollack Avenue, Willow Creek Drive, Winterbury Lane, Schutte Road,

Christopher Drive and Wright Drive. In addition, I have been in contact with Indiana Southwestern Railway and there are three crossings that they are anticipating to remove this summer on three roads: Boonville-New Harmony Road, Trapp Road and Baseline Road. On those we would be reimbursing them for the cost of the asphalt. In all, preliminary cost estimates for this work in total is about \$430,000. At present in our Local Roads & Street and our Highway Fund we have about \$450,000, so the additional monies that we got from Council will definitely help out to get these repaired. In addition, I know that John, for the Engineering Department, for the contracts that they are looking to do this year, Clearcreek Subdivision, Fox Hollow Subdivision, Schroeder Road west of US 41, Chastain Drive, Keystone Subdivision, Rusher Creek Road and West Haven Subdivision. If you have any questions about these I would be more than happy to entertain them.

President Kiefer: Rusher Creek Road, where is that? I mean, that's up there north, far north?

Pat Seib: That's on the very north end up there by the McDonald's and the Arby's, and I believe it's the Freightliner. There is a lot of heavy truck traffic that comes back in through there.

President Kiefer: Oh, into Rusher Creek? They use that Rusher Creek?

Pat Seib: Yes.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay. That's on the west—

Pat Seib: The west side of 41.

President Kiefer: Okay, okay. Alrighty. So do we need...what do we need to do to—

Joe Harrison: Just a motion of approval.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

Commissioner Abell: I have a question. What are you going to do to Heckel Road?

Pat Seib: To Heckel Road? We're anticipating that there is going to be a reconstruction of that in the future. Right now there is just some minor potholes and patching that we can do.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Pat Seib: Just to smooth out the road.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, not going to spend much on it. Yeah.

Pat Seib: And the repairs that we're going to do on these they are going to vary based on conditions. Some of them like Denzer Road it is pretty shot. We're going to be looking at doing extensive work out there and, again, like Heckel Road we just got some spots here and there that need to be smoothed out.

Commissioner Abell: I just didn't want to spend money if we are going to tear it up again.

Pat Seib: I concur.

President Kiefer: Okay, so we have a motion and a second. Roll call please.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Pat Seib: And that's all I've got unless you have any other questions.

President Kiefer: So, Pat, when will they be able to start doing some work to do some of these repairs?

Pat Seib: Well, on the very first ones we have already started doing some of the repairs on the worst ones.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Pat Seib: But yeah we're...tomorrow we'll have guys out working on this stuff.

President Kiefer: Okay. Alright, thanks Pat, I appreciate it.

Pat Seib: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Any other department head reports?

New Business/Old Business

President Kiefer: New business? Any old business?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Is there any public comment?

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Okay, next, Teri if you could read the consent items for approval.

Teri Lukeman: Sure. Consent items for May 13th, approval of prior meeting minutes from April 22nd. Employment changes, four for the Commissioner's Office, nine for Burdette Park, one for Cooperative Extension. Transfer of surplus PC to Old Courthouse maintenance office. Old Courthouse chiller repair quote. Abutting property bid notices for 421 E. Michigan Street. County Auditor, April 2014 A/P vouchers. County Clerk, March 2014 monthly report. Weights & Measures, March 16 through April 15 monthly report. County Ozone Officer, March 2014 monthly report. Legal Aid Society, March 2014 statistical report. County Highway department head report, April 14 through the 17th, April 21 through 24, April 28 through May 1st and County Engineer department head report.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Any discussion? Roll call please.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes. Okay, thank you

(Motion approved 3-0)

**Final Reading of Rezoning Ordinance VC-2-2014
Petitioner: Perry Heights School
Address: 5800 Hogue Road
Request: Change from Ag to C-1 with UDC
Action: Approved 3-0**

President Kiefer: Lastly we have rezoning. We have a final reading VC-2-2014, Perry Heights School, 5800 Hogue Road. Change from AG to C-1 with a Use and Development Commitment.

Janet Greenwell: Good evening, Janet Greenwell with the Area Plan Commission. This is probably the easiest one that I brought before you ever. They want 100...I can't seem to get the...we had problems last night with this also. This new version isn't working so well. I'm sorry. There we go. Perry Heights is asking to rezone 185 square feet to C-1. It's .0004 acres. The intent with the Use and Development Commitment is just to be able to apply to the Board of Zoning Appeals to put an electronic sign there. The total size of the sign is about 32 square feet and about half of that is planned to be an electronic sign. It's going right along the Boehne Camp frontage towards the bottom...toward the south end of the school.

President Kiefer: Okay, well this is just the final reading, so I guess what was the Area Plan—

Janet Greenwell: Oh, I'm sorry. The Area Plan voted 11 affirmative one abstention to approve it.

President Kiefer: Okay and are there any remonstrators here? Anybody for it? Nobody...oh, okay. Yes.

Janet Greenwell: The sign company, yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, yeah. Okay, well in that case any discussion from Commissioners? Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Steve, we've got a first. We need a second.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay. No further discussion? If that's the case, roll call please.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Teri Lukeman: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes. Okay, thank you very much. Is there—

(Motion approved 3-0)

Janet Greenwell: I was just wanting to add to something. You kind of looked at me about the sidewalk waiver. Typically, we see these on the agenda. There is an application that is turned in and in a certain amount of time before the meeting and they appear on the agenda so that we have time to review the minutes and stuff, so that we can have...if there is any comment or any conflict we could have time to respond to it. But typically they appear on the agenda.

President Kiefer: We didn't know about it until tonight.

Janet Greenwell: Well, yeah, obviously we didn't either.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, we held it.

Janet Greenwell: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: But I think Mr. Stoll will be here to answer some questions and we'll be ready to do it next week.

Janet Greenwell: Yeah.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there anything else to appear before the Board of Commissioners? If not I ask for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the April 22, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes
Transfer surplus PC to Old Courthouse maintenance office
Abutting property bid notices - 421 E. Michigan

Employment Changes:

Commissioners (4)	Burdette Park (9)	Co-op Extension (1)
Sheriff (12)	Coroner (1)	Legal Aid (2)
Superior Court (4)	DADS (1)	Assessor (2)
Prosecutor (2)	VCCC (1)	

County Auditor: April 2014 A/P vouchers

County Clerk: March 2014 monthly report

Weights & Measures: March 16-April 15, 2014 monthly report

County Ozone Officer: March 2014 monthly report

County Highway Department: April 14-17, April 21-24, April 28-May 1 report

County Engineer: Department head report

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Brian Gerth	Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer
Teri Lukeman	Pat Seib	Ron Beane
Dan Buck	Gary Heck	Debbie Spalding
Janet Greenwell	Others Unidentified	Members of Media

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Stephen Melcher, Member

(Recorded by Teri Lukeman and transcribed by Charlene Decker)

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MAY 20, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 20th day of May, 2014 at 5:04 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with Vice President Marsha Abell presiding.

Call to Order

Commissioner Abell: I would like to call to order the May 20, 2014 meeting of the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners.

Attendance Roll Call

Commissioner Abell: Attendance roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes, here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Commissioner Abell: Obviously, Mr. Kiefer isn't here this evening.

Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Melcher, would you like to lead us in the Pledge?

Commissioner Melcher: Thank you.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

Green River Road Settlement Agreement

Commissioner Abell: I want to make a little change in the agenda, Mr. Melcher. Mr. Ahlers is here and he needs to leave to go to another meeting. So, we would like to move ahead and discuss the Green River Road settlement agreement. Mr. Ahlers, if you would like to come to the microphone, I think Mr. Harrison and you are going to have a little discussion about it. I will tell you that I have read the agreement since last week, and I have talked to the County Engineer.

Jeff Ahlers: Okay, good.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Harrison?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: As we discussed at the meeting last week, the parties to the lawsuit that was filed by Vanderburgh County back in October have signed the settlement agreement. As Mr. Ahlers indicated when he was here last week, the county and the parties that were, that are all named as defendants were involved in mediation over a period of time. This is the settlement regarding the repairs to be made to Green River Road to, hopefully, correct the problems that are out there. The

settlement agreement details the warranty that will be provided by Blankenberger, one of the defendants, and the settlement agreement also details the contribution that will be made by the other parties to the lawsuit. I'll let Mr. Ahlers just briefly expound upon that and see if you all would like to consider the final agreement.

Jeff Ahlers: Yes, as we went over last time, this is the culmination of a lawsuit that's been pending since late last fall. The roadway opened in 2011, problems developed. We've addressed those by bringing all of the potentially responsible parties in the lawsuit. This settlement would resolve, would settle everything with regard to all of those parties in the lawsuit, with most of the parties contributing to the settlement, and then, of course, Blankenberger will pick up the remaining cost for fixing the road. Blankenberger estimates the cost of fixing the road to be in the area of \$450,000. The other defendants are contributing \$295,000 toward those repair costs. The county will not contribute anything to those repair costs, and regardless of what they end up costing, Blankenberger Brothers would be responsible for making the fix and repairs as delineated in the settlement agreement and warranting those repairs for approximately four and a half years, with the final repairs having to be made by January 1, 2019. So, I don't know if you have any other questions, but that's the overview. I know that you've had those documents, and Mr. Harrison has also discussed those with you.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: As far as when, if I could just ask, when repairs could begin, what is your understanding if the settlement agreement is approved?

Jeff Ahlers: As soon as the settlement is approved by the county, which is the final step, as you see with the document in front of you, all of the other parties have already signed the settlement agreement. So, approval by the County Commissioners is the final step. As soon as that occurs, then the deadlines for everybody to make their payments is over the next 15 to 30 days. Once those payments are made to Blankenberger Brothers, they will begin the repairs, and then the case would be dismissed. So, the indications that we have are is that the repairs would start within the next month. Pursuant to the agreement, those repairs are to be completed by September 1st. It's possible that they could be done earlier, but contractually, absent any acts of mother nature or otherwise, it's to all be completed by September 1st.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I don't have any questions.

Commissioner Abell: Are, I have a question for Mr. Stoll. Are we going to discuss someone overseeing this project at this point? Or is that going to come up under your department head report? Or, are you prepared to discuss it at all tonight?

John Stoll: I don't have an agreement for you this evening, but I'll have something worked out for your next meeting. Like Jeff said, it was my understanding that work would start sometime next month. So, with the next Commissioners meeting on June 3rd, we could have an agreement that would be in place by the time the work starts.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. That's for someone to oversee the project to make sure it's done correctly.

Commissioner Melcher: And that's going to be one that hasn't had anything to do with—

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, one that has had nothing to do with—

Commissioner Melcher: Green River Road.

Commissioner Abell: —Green River Road. Which was hard. Almost everybody had something to do with it. Okay, thank you.

John Stoll: Sure.

Commissioner Abell: The only, I guess, we're ready to take a vote on it. I have a comment, but I'll hold it for my vote.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay, I make a motion to approve the settlement agreement.

Commissioner Abell: I'll second it. Roll call vote.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: I'm going to vote in favor of this, but I'm also going to make a statement about it. I am not happy with the agreement. I think four and a half years is not a length of time that we should have gotten. We tried to negotiate for more. This is totally a negotiated deal, not what we would have wanted. Four and a half years is beyond any elected officials time that's sitting here tonight, so, I would ask that Mr. Stoll watch this project for the next four and a half years, and right before the warranty expires make sure that this road is as good as we can possibly get. The citizens of Vanderburgh County paid an awful lot of money for that road, and I'm afraid that we didn't get exactly what we paid for. So, I would hope that you will watch it, because it's very possible that none of us will be here that are here tonight. I'm going to put it on your shoulders. Okay? With that I'll vote yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Commissioner Abell: Okay, we'll sign it. I guess, Mr. Ahlers, do you want us to sign it and give it to you right now?

Jeff Ahlers: That would be great. Then, I gave Kristin a few extra copies, which I can have picked up tomorrow so that we have some extra copies to be able to distribute.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, if you'll, Madelyn is getting them to us.

Madelyn Grayson: It just requires your signature.

Commissioner Abell: It just requires mine? How come? Okay, if everyone will bear with us for just a few minutes.

Jeff Ahlers: Sure, if I could just take one with me, and then I could pick up the rest tomorrow, or get them from you, Joe, if that's okay.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. I guess that's it. Right here.

Commissioner Melcher: Does Joe have to sign it?

Commissioner Abell: No.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Thanks, Jeff.

Commissioner Abell: Thanks, Jeff.

Jeff Ahlers: Thank you very much. If you have any other questions, let me know.

Commissioner Melcher: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: I would like to say my comments were not at all directed towards Mr. Ahlers. He did a great job. We just didn't get what we wanted. Thank you, Mr. Ahlers.

Recognition of Sheriff Eric Williams

Commissioner Abell: Our next piece of business, I think we would like to recognize someone that's here in the audience. I wish we had a larger crowd, but, Sheriff Williams, would you like to come up to the podium?

Eric Williams: Good afternoon.

Commissioner Abell: Good afternoon.

Eric Williams: Thanks for inviting me to my last official Commissioners meeting as your Sheriff.

Commissioner Abell: It's going to be very difficult to see you go.

Eric Williams: This has been a very bittersweet couple of weeks for me. It's very difficult to leave. I've enjoyed my service to this county for the last 27 years more than anybody will ever know. I've always been fortunate to have a great team of people working with me, for me, and I've treasured the relationships I've built both at the Commission level and the Council and all of the other officeholders. I can sincerely say that by the vast majority, while I may not have always agreed with some of the other elected officials here, I've always believed that the people here have been doing what they thought was best for our community, and we've always been able to work out problems and make things happen. I will miss that relationship more than I can express.

Commissioner Abell: The county will miss you. You've been a nice light in your service, and, I think, a good example to young people to understand the good side of the law and not fear it, but actually appreciate it and respect it. We didn't have anything big to give you, but we do have a plaque.

Eric Williams: Oh, you didn't have to do that.

Commissioner Abell: I'll let Mr. Melcher read it.

Commissioner Melcher: I do want to say too, Eric, I think you brought a lot to the table as Sheriff. Even when we were starting the first negotiation with the contract with the Sheriff's, you helped in that. I don't know of any other administrator that would have done that. I think you went above and aboard on everything you've done for our community. I just think you've done an outstanding job. I don't know of a Sheriff, I think you're the best one we've had since I know. So, I think you've done a great job. With that, this is a plaque that we would like to give you this evening.

"Eric Williams, Vanderburgh County Sheriff 2007-2014. Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office 1988-2014. In recognition of your loyalty, dedication and service to the people of Vanderburgh County. Presented May 2014, Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners."

Eric Williams: I appreciate it. Thank you. Thank you very much.

(Applause)

Eric Williams: I am sure the bank will find a place that I can hang this up somewhere. I look forward to that. If anybody needs a checking account, come see me. Thank you very much.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you, Eric.

Introduction of Teen Advisory Council Job Shadow

Commissioner Abell: Before we get any further, we also have a guest up here with us this evening, a student with Youth Resources. Would you like to tell us your name and where you go to school and what class you're in?

Ben Walden: My name is Ben Walden and I'm a Sophomore at Central High School.

Commissioner Abell: Welcome this evening. We're happy to have you here. You'll be happy to know this is not a long meeting tonight.

County Engineer

Commissioner Abell: Department head reports, the County Engineer.

John Stoll: The first item I have is a sidewalk waiver request for Enclave at Eagle Cliff Subdivision. This sidewalk waiver is to waive most of the sidewalks within the subdivision, but not all of the sidewalks. There would be one sidewalk that would be built along the north side of Stellar Drive, which would run into the sidewalks that have been constructed with the Eagle Village Apartments. The sidewalk then would turn, run south along the main north-south road within Enclave Sub, and then run on the north side of Cliftwood Drive and connect to Felstead Road. So, there would be a sidewalk that would be able to get you from Felstead Road to the west boundary of Enclave Subdivision, but all other sidewalks would be waived. I've got a letter from Morley and Associates that was submitted on behalf of Mr. Buck. I would recommend approval of the waiver.

Commissioner Abell: And, these are ADA compliant sidewalks?

John Stoll: Yes, they will be. I've discussed that with Mr. Buck, and we're going to try and take measures to make sure that if there are any issues that they're caught before the concrete is poured while it's a whole lot cheaper to fix it.

Commissioner Abell: Well, it's no secret that I'm not a big fan of sidewalks, because the more we pave the less ground we've got to absorb water. So, I'm certainly okay with it. Mr. Melcher, would you have a motion for us?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes, but I just want to make a small statement. I still believe in trails—

Commissioner Abell: I do too.

Commissioner Melcher: — you know, we talked about if this request came, maybe we could have some kind of a trail or something. I'm okay with it, I make a motion to approve it.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: Next, I have the Mylar title sheet for the Burkhardt-Virginia plans. This would be just the cover sheet for the plans for the federal aid project to reconstruct the intersection of Burkhardt Road and Virginia Street. It just needs the Commissioners signatures, and it actually needs the County Auditor's signature as well.

Commissioner Abell: Now, we're overseeing this project, but it's actually in the city now, is that correct?

John Stoll: Yes, we've got an interlocal agreement with the city that made the county responsible for overseeing the project. The city has had some opportunities to review the plans. They would be involved if we have to make any changes during construction, but the county is taking care of the design, the right-of-way and all construction costs. Construction costs will be paid 80 percent federal funds, 20 percent county funds. We'll pay for that out of the Burkhardt Road TIF district.

Commissioner Abell: And, we're probably not going to do this the second week before Christmas?

John Stoll: No, we're still trying to set the exact schedule, but that won't be the case.

Commissioner Abell: Good.

John Stoll: We were talking about setting up some specs in the contract that would specifically eliminate the possibility of that, that all lanes would have to be open. Given the time tables we're looking at now, that probably won't even come into play, but we're still working with CHA to get the final specs worked out.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I'm okay with it. I'll make a motion to approve it.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: The third item I have is a sanitary sewer acceptance request letter that needs to be submitted to the Sewer Department. This is for the force main, the lift station and sanitary sewers that were constructed at I-64 and Highway 41. The value of the improvements were roughly \$616,000. That letter that I've got for you, it just has to be submitted as part of the process for getting the Water and Sewer Utility Department to accept the construction. They just wanted to have a final value, and they wanted to have a statement that indicated the county would pay for anything within the one year warranty period.

Commissioner Abell: I'll entertain a motion.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: Next, I've got a sidewalk waiver request for Carrington Meadows Subdivision. This is Section Four of Carrington Meadows. It's located off of Petersburg Road between Boonville-New Harmony and Schlensker. This is located up in the northwest part of that subdivision, and this request is to waive all sidewalks within that development. So, I would recommend approval of that waiver.

Commissioner Abell: That means they don't want any sidewalks?

John Stoll: No sidewalks will be constructed at all, not in this section.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I guess I don't have any questions, except I'm still big on trails. If they could do something there too. Okay, I'll make a motion to approve it.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: I'm voting yes, but I'm also with Mr. Melcher. Maybe when we meet with these developers we could encourage them to put some kind of walking trail, or, not concrete, not sidewalks, but just some designated area that....so we can get healthier.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: I was at a meeting last week in the Mayor's office, and the homebuilders, there were some representatives from homebuilders there, and options regarding sidewalks and how to accommodate pedestrians was one of the main issues we were talking about. So, it's being discussed. No firm proposal is on the table yet, but I'll make anybody aware of what you two are asking about as far as trails and see what we can come up with.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, appreciate that.

John Stoll: Next, on that same subdivision, Carrington Meadows, Section Four, I've got the street plans. These would be asphalt streets with concrete curb and gutter. I reviewed the plans, the consultant has made the changes that I had requested, which were very minimal. So, I would recommend approval of the street plans for Carrington Meadows, Section Four.

Commissioner Melcher: I kind of like it that it's going to be asphalt, instead of concrete. It seems like all the concrete ones create a lot of problems and they're more expensive.

John Stoll: Repairs are much more expensive.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll make the motion to approve it.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner—

Commissioner Abell: And, I hope we're....I'm sorry, I'm sorry. I really hope, even though I won't be here, I really hope that in five, six years they're not coming in here needing these all rebuilt, because these subdivisions really, you know, our new subdivisions, these roads need to hold up. I mean, it's not fair to the taxpayer.

John Stoll: I do have a draft, I shouldn't say a draft, what was discussed at the road hearing was upgrading the standards. Pat Seib had started that before he went out to the Highway Department, and I've got his old data. I've got some, it's a jumbled up draft of some revised road standards, but I'm still working on that as well to try

and prevent just what you're talking about, doing repairs too early on some of these streets.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. Roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: The next item I have is the bridge inspection contracts with United Consulting. This is for the bridge inspection for all of county bridges in 2014 and in 2016. The fee is \$260,600, of which the county would pay 20 percent. The County Attorney has reviewed the agreement. It's a standard INDOT boiler plate contract. I've reviewed the fees. So, I would recommend approval of the contracts.

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: Those inspections for 2014 would begin in October. So, it will be a few months out, but they will begin in the fall. The last item I have is the annual operations report for the Local Road and Street, County Highway and Cum Bridge Funds. This is a report that we have to submit to the State each year by June 1st. It just provides financial data, road inventory data, equipment inventories. All of this is updated annually and is submitted to the State. We've e-mailed some draft copies to the Commissioners, and it's roughly the same agreement, we just made a few changes, at least the changes that my office made were in regard to the road mileage. We had missed deducting the city's annexation miles a few years back and we corrected that, but other than that, it should be the same report that I e-mailed to you several days ago.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second. Roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: That's all I have.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

John Stoll: Thanks.

Commissioner Abell: Any other department head reports?

New Business/Old Business

Commissioner Abell: Any new business to come before the County Commissioners?
Any old business?

Public Comment

Commissioner Abell: Any public comment?

Consent Items

Commissioner Abell: Consent items, Madelyn.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the May 20th meeting are as follows; we have approval of the May 13, 2014 Commission meeting minutes. The employment changes for the Commissioners approval, we have two for the County Highway, five for Burdette, and one for the Commissioners. The Commissioners also have a transfer request for unemployment line item and transfer of county owned property. The County Engineer has a department head report and blue claims. The County Highway has the work report for May 5th through 8th, 2014.

Commissioner Melcher: Move to approve the consent agenda.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Commissioner Abell: Any further business to come before the County Commissioners? I would entertain a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:26 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the May 13, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.

Transfer Request for Unemployment Line Item.

Quit Claim Deed: County Owned Property: 1942 Indian Mounds Blvd.

Employment Changes:

County Highway (2)

Commissioners (1)

Burdette Park (5)

Sheriff (2)

Circuit Court (1)

Prosecutor (2)

County Engineer: Dept. Head Report & Blue Claims.

County Highway: Work Report: May 5-8, 2014.

Those in Attendance:

Marsha Abell

Stephen Melcher

Joe Gries

Joe Harrison, Jr.

Kristin Comer

Madelyn Grayson

Jeff Ahlers

John Stoll

Eric Williams

Ben Walden

Others Unidentified

Members of Media

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Marsha Abell, Vice President

Stephen Melcher, Member

(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 3, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 3rd day of June, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good evening. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for June 3, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Attendance please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: Next, I would like to ask our celebrity guest, Jeff Lyons, to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you, Jeff. Appreciate that.

Recognition of Sheriff Dave Wedding

President Kiefer: Also, before we get started, I would like to recognize that we have a new Sheriff in town here. Sheriff Dave Wedding, welcome.

(Applause)

President Kiefer: This is your first Commissioner meeting as Sheriff, and glad to have you here tonight.

Dave Wedding: Thank you.

**Permission to Open Bids for VC14-06-01:
Concrete Repair of Various Roads**

President Kiefer: I would like to ask for permission to open bids for VC14-06-01, concrete repair for various roads.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, so, we'll open those bids, and Joe will report back later.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That's fine.

Women Veterans Day Proclamation

President Kiefer: Under action items, I would like to ask Commissioner Melcher to read the following proclamation. We have two of these proclamations. One is for the Women Veterans Day, and the other one is for Tan Son Nhut reunion. Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Okay, we'll start off with the Women Veterans Day proclamation, June 14, 2014:

"Whereas, women veterans have served as a voluntary force in the military since World War I; ladies from the past and present serving to protect and defend the United States of America; Whereas, in the past women veterans were limited to two percent of the military. Women are now 15 percent of the present military force and growing. In the past women were limited to certain occupational fields but are now in 98 percent of the occupational fields; and, Whereas, women veterans once volunteered to "free a man to fight", they are now standing beside their brothers in service to their country; and, Whereas, women veterans stand proud to serve this country when they are needed; and, Now, Therefore, be it resolved, that we, the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners, do so proclaim Saturday, June 14, 2014 as "Women Veterans Day in Vanderburgh County, Indiana."

Signed by all, by Joe Kiefer, President; Marsha Abell, Vice President, and myself, Steve Melcher as a Member, attested by Joe Gries, the Auditor.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I think the 2014, there's an extra four in it.

President Kiefer: Right, so, it's, the only correction is 200, or, 2014.

Commissioner Melcher: One four.

President Kiefer: Yeah. This is great. I appreciate, Commissioner Melcher, you bringing this forward. I think this is fantastic and well overdue. So, I appreciate that. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Great. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Commissioner Melcher: We have a large group of women locally. They just lost one that was 107 years old here in Vanderburgh County. She just passed away a few weeks ago. At least that's what I was told.

President Kiefer: Well, thank you for bringing that forward. That's fantastic.

Tan Son Nhut Reunion Proclamation
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Commissioner Melcher: The next one we have is a proclamation celebrating the 20th Annual Reunion of the Tan Son Nhut Association.

“Whereas, the Tan Son Nhut Association has been established to respect all of those services personnel from the United States Air Force, Army, Navy, Marines and Coast Guard, as well as the many civilians who served at any time during the Vietnam conflict at the great airdrome at Tan Son Nhut Air Base, Saigon, Republic of Vietnam; Whereas, the Tan Son Nhut Association was organized to assist military personnel of all eras and their families whenever and wherever

possible; Whereas, the Association is an open forum where Vietnam veterans continue to exchange the memories and pride that they had as they upheld the sacred vow of "Duty, Honor, Country" at the now historic and once mightiest air field in the world; Whereas, the motto of the Association is "All Included None Excluded"; Whereas, the Tan Son Nhut Association will hold its 20th annual reunion June 12-15, 2014. Now, Therefore, be it resolved that the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners offers this proclamation and appreciation to the service of the men and women of all military branches who served at Tan Son Nhut during the Vietnam conflict. We especially honor and revere those brave and historic individuals who were wounded or "gave their last full measure of devotion" during their service there."

Dated this day of June 3, 2014. The Board of Commissioners, again, Joe Kiefer, President; Marsha Abell, Vice President; Stephen Melcher, Member, and attested by Joe Gries, Auditor.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Commissioner Melcher. Again, this is really awesome that we can do these proclamations. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: I'm excited to be able to sign proclamations like these.

Evansville ARC Bi-Annual Update
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President Kiefer: Next, Deidra Conner will give us an update for the Evansville ARC. Deidra, it's always a pleasure to have you here, and appreciate the good work that ARC is doing.

Deidra Conner: Thank you. I've brought guests with me, as I normally do. Jeff Lyons is with me today, along with his son, Patrick. My name is Deidra Conner, I'm the President of Evansville ARC. There are probably some folks in the room and listening at home who might not know what Evansville ARC does. So, I just want to take a minute to talk about that. Evansville ARC is a non-profit organization that was

founded in 1954 by a group of parents who were seeking services for their children with disabilities. In 1954 there were no services available, not even in the school system. So, they started a school in the basement of the Eastside Christian Church. As those children grew and more families came forward, we have grown and evolved to meet the needs of children as young as six weeks of age, and our oldest client today is 83 years old. So, we provide a life span of services to help people with disabilities live as independently as possible. That's basically what we're all about. We love to talk about what we do, and it's easy for paid staff to talk about what we do, but we feel that it's very important for you to hear from people who benefit from our services, and also people who are volunteers, who are engaged with our organization. That is exactly what Jeff and his son, Patrick, are doing here today. Many of you know Jeff, of course, as the Chief Meteorologist for Channel 14, but he is also Evansville ARC's Board Chair. He is in his second year of service. He and his family have a very long connection to Evansville ARC. He's been a great volunteer. Several of you have been in the Really Big Show and know that Jeff is not only the host of the Really Big Show, but he helped write and produce and create our biggest fund raiser year after year. So, I would really like for you to take a few minutes to hear Jeff's story and Patrick's story this afternoon.

President Kiefer: Welcome Patrick and Jeff.

Jeff Lyons: Thank you. You stay there, okay, I'll bring you up in just a second. I like the fact that you have skylight here. I'll be able to keep up with the weather, even when we're doing this.

Commissioner Melcher: If it rains, you can hear it.

Jeff Lyons: First of all, thanks so much for hearing us and for supporting Evansville ARC for 50 years running. I believe that was the number that was given. It means so much, and I think a lot of us in this room may not realize exactly when you will be touched by Evansville ARC or someone with disabilities or needing services from Evansville ARC. I certainly was in that boat. Twenty one years ago last week my son, Patrick, was born. It was a wonderful day. He's my first son. I have three children. We noticed after a period of time, after six months or so, Patrick wasn't doing things as quickly as he probably should have been doing for other kids his age. After a year we realized, of course, that he was considerably behind where he should be compared to other kids his age. We went to a neurologist here in Evansville and did a series of tests and he gave us a diagnosis for Patrick that he would have a disability, a cognitive disability, for all of his life. It was devastating. Really hard, because you have certain expectations as a parent, you have certain dreams, certain goals, certain ways that you see your life and your children. Suddenly that goes away and you're on reset, but, still we had this wonderful boy, who was happy and engaged, he just wasn't quite caught up. So, what do you do? What you do is, as a parent you cry a little bit, and you cry on each others shoulders, and then you say, you know, this is what we're doing and we're going to move forward. We got in touch with ARC. That was twenty, actually about twenty years ago, I guess, or so, and Patrick began a program at Evansville ARC called, actually he did First Steps, then he did the Child Life Center, which is our inclusive daycare and preschool. You know, I had only heard of ARC because I bought Halloween candy from them, you know, as a kid and as a young adult. Suddenly I was in this whole world, this whole community I knew nothing of, but as soon I walked in the door I could understand, immediately, why it was so important. I can understand why you would fund it all these years too. It never occurred to me that I would be a recipient or a user of services at Evansville ARC. Patrick graduated from the Child

Life Center, and he'll tell you the rest of his story, but suffice it to say that it made a difference in Patrick's life. A significant difference. As it does in so many kids lives. The Child Life Center is but one of many programs that we offer at Evansville ARC. We also, of course, offer PAC services, which is where we have our professionals come out and assist people like Patrick in learning life skills in their own homes or wherever. We do Community Job Link, which is where we find jobs and place our clients in jobs in the community. You'll notice that Patrick is wearing an IGA shirt back there. He works at IGA out on the north side. You might have seen him out there. If you get in his line, prepare to talk to him for a little bit, because he'll want to visit with you. We also offer Adult Day Programs, services for adults with disabilities. Not everybody is as fortunate as Patrick and is able to go into the community and work and to have some independence. So, our goal at Evansville ARC is to provide at least the option or the hope that you can reach your full potential, if you are an individual with disabilities or if your family has somebody with disabilities. When, later, many years later, I was asked to serve on the board at ARC, and I, of course, did that without any reservation or hesitation, not knowing of course I was going to do all of the stuff I was going to do. I thought I would sit for two years and, you know, write checks and that was it. It has been a truly enriching experience for me to be part of Evansville ARC. Knowing Deidra, and Denise Seibert is here, our Development Director, seeing how they run our organization, how they are such excellent stewards of the money that you give to us, as well as all of our contributors, it's well run and it is thought out from top to bottom. We are extremely grateful for all that we receive, not only from public monies, but from our donors. We couldn't do it without you. We also couldn't have stories like Patrick's to share. There are hundreds, if not thousands of stories to share, but I wanted Patrick to come up today, because he can tell you a little bit about what ARC means to him. Patrick has never spoken publicly, certainly not to an elected body like this. I said, this chance never comes around, or not very often. So, I'm very pleased and proud that he can be here today to say this to you. We did write it down so he can read it to you. He may not be as glib on his feet as I try to be, but it certainly comes from his heart and from mine. So, Patrick, come on up here and tell them a little bit about ARC, would you please. Stand right up there nice and tall.

Patrick Lyons: My name is Patrick Lyons. I went to the Children's Life Center at Evansville ARC when I was three years old. The teachers helped get me ready for special education when I started school. Now that I have graduated from Central High School, Evansville ARC PAC Services will help me to learn skills like cooking and how to take care of myself to become more independent. I think ARC has helped me with my school years and will help me as an adult. Thanks to all of you for funding Evansville ARC for 50 years in a row. You have helped thousands of people just like me to become more independent.

President Kiefer: Patrick, thank you so much.

(Applause)

President Kiefer: I want to say thank you to Patrick. I know for anybody that comes before this Commission or Council or anything else government elected, I know it's not an easy task to stand up before, and plus being on television as well with WNIN, but I want to say, Patrick, great job! Thank you so much for what you're doing, and we appreciate being able to help out.

Deidra Conner: I don't know if you have questions for Jeff or Patrick, we would certainly welcome any questions that you might have. You know, I always like to

close my remarks by saying thank you, and I always say the same thing, our successes are your successes. You are one of our longest standing community partners, one of our longest standing funding partners. In fact, we're celebrating our 60th anniversary this year. I re-read, just last week, the history that my predecessor wrote for our 50th anniversary, and it was in 1962 that the County Commissioners and the County Council started talking about Evansville ARC. You helped build our facility on Virginia Street, you have been an active and engaged part of our lives for all of these years. That is an incredible, incredible commitment and an incredible gift that you have given to us. We're going to have a variety of 60th anniversary activities this year. I have some save the date cards I want to give, share with you. We would love to have you as part of any of those activities that we're having. You are an important part of our organization, and you have helped make people's lives better. I hope you know that. So, if you have any questions, I would be happy to answer those. I'm sure Jeff and Patrick would as well, but thank you is our message every time we're here, and that is very sincere and from the bottom of our hearts.

President Kiefer: I wish we had more people like you coming up to talk to us. Commissioner Abell anything, or Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

President Kiefer: I'll just close by saying thank you to ARC, thank you to Jeff and Patrick and Denise and Deidra, appreciate you being here tonight and appreciate everything ARC does for our community. I can't say enough good things about your program. I always enjoy the Really Big Show and enjoyed being a part of that in the past.

Deidra Conner: When you see the save the date, they are specific to things that we are pulling back together, like the Ladies Auxiliary Group, an historic board meeting, as well as an open house our kind of actual 60th anniversary date. You are welcome to attend any or all of those meetings. I'm sure you know a lot of the board members. We're reaching as far back as we can. I'm sure you will know a lot of the ladies in the Auxiliary who worked very, very vigorously during those early years to do fundraisers. So, please consider yourself welcome to any and all of these. We hope to do a ribbon cutting at the September event, and would love to have you there to celebrate that. So, we hope to see all of you.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Appreciate it. Thank you so much. Okay, well, that was a very nice presentation.

<p>Prosecutor: Adult Protective Services Grant Agreement Health Dept: Business Associate Contract: D. Zaldivar Commissioners: ACCA Pest Control Contract for the Old Courthouse</p>
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President Kiefer: I would like to move on to a few more things that are maybe not as good, but still necessary, that's the contracts, agreements and leases. The first one is the Prosecutor Adult Protective Services grant agreement. Is somebody from the Prosecutor's Office here?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, it's Indiana Family and Social Services Administration grant in the amount of \$152,796 for use by the Vanderburgh County Prosecutor's

Adult Protective Services program. To be used to investigate, intervene and resolve cases involving abuse, neglect and exploitation of endangered adults residing in the county. This grant runs through July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. Are there any questions?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you. Next is the Health Department business associate contract with David Zaldivar. Gary Heck is here to discuss this.

Gary Heck: Thank you. Recently you approved an information technology contract with David to do work for various county departments, including the Health Department. This is the standard business associate contract for HIPPA protection. We just ask that you approve it on our behalf to make sure that when he's conducting work for us, that the county is protected and we're protected.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there any discussion or questions?

Gary Heck: This has no cost. It's standard and it's to protect, to make sure of confidentiality reasons.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Gary Heck: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Next, for County Commissioners, pest control services agreement for the Old Courthouse. This agreement is with ACCA Companies for pest control services at the Old Courthouse. The cost is \$720 for the entire year. Funds are in the Superintendent of County Buildings budget to cover this. Anything else, Kristin, on that?

Kristin Comer: No.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Hopefully we get rid of all of the pests. Roll call please.

Commissioner Abell: Can we name the pests?

President Kiefer: Good one.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Board Appointments

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Next is some board appointments; Old Courthouse Foundation, Ron Whitler; the Emergency Management Agency, we would like to replace Sheriff, former Sheriff Eric Williams, with current Sheriff Dave

Wedding; and then the MWBE Board, Kwan Watters. Those are the board appointments, is there any discussion?

Commissioner Abell: I don't know Kwan Watters. What is Kwan Watters' relationship that this would make a good fit?

President Kiefer: I think this came from a recommendation from Old National Bank.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Somebody that works at Old National. I think, I reviewed her resume, but I can't remember all of the details.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: But, I think it's okay.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

County Engineer

President Kiefer: I might have missed something. I don't know if I missed...I missed the department head reports. That was one line stuck in there that I missed. Are there any additional reports? I guess, John Stoll, you'll have something?

Commissioner Abell: I don't see department heads on here.

John Stoll: I've got three items this evening. The first is a contract with the Lochmueller Group for the design of the reconstruction of Heckel Road between Oak Hill and Green River. The amount not to exceed is \$487,300. This will cover the design work. It will also cover right-of-way work for 15 parcels. The reason it was set

up for 15 parcels, we were planning to try and phase the project, with hopefully getting part of the project underway later this year. Permitting will dictate whether or not we can or can't do that, but we are going to try to get the first part, from Green River Road back to the ballfield entrances done, not done, but started this year. I've reviewed the contract, the County Attorney has reviewed the contract, and we're both okay with it, so, I would recommend that it be approved.

President Kiefer: Any discussion?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I'm glad we're able to move forward on this project now. So, I vote yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Congratulations to Lochmueller. That's the new name, correct? Lochmueller Associates?

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, Lochmueller Associates.

President Kiefer: Yeah, the Lochmueller Group, right, thank you. Anything else, John?

John Stoll: Yes, second, I've got a change order on the Clear Creek Subdivision repair contract. This is an increase of \$72,739.40. This was due to the additional deterioration that took place in between the time that we started the bidding and the time the work started. We also ran into very poor soil conditions, and we also had to extend the limits of the repairs in some areas in order to provide outlets for the perforated pipes we put in underneath the pavement. So, that's why we ended up with an increase. I know it's larger than what we would like, but everything seems to have turned out okay out there.

President Kiefer: Okay. Is there questions or discussion? Is this something...so, we need to vote on this?

John Stoll: Yeah, for the change order.

President Kiefer: Yeah, change order, okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I make a motion to approve the change order.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: The last item I have is a contract with Kaskaskia Engineering. It's for the construction supervision of the repairs on Green River Road. This is for an amount not to exceed \$99,600. This will provide onsite supervision while the repairs are done that were drawn up in the agreement for the Green River lawsuit. I reviewed the contract and so has Joe Harrison, and I would request approval.

President Kiefer: Okay, any discussion?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: I'm going to vote in favor of this. Everyone knows that I've been in favor of this since this started. I would also like to point out, make of record, I am certainly expecting the contractor to do a much better job this time than he did last time. I will be onsite periodically, along with the people from Kaskaskia to make sure that they understand how serious we view this. With that, I vote yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: And, John, you and I have had this talk a long time ago, I just want to make sure you're out there a few times during this too.

John Stoll: If I can't be there, I was going to have some of my staff out there as well.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay. I vote yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: And, of course, I'll vote yes as well. I think this is great to get this project fixed, and let's look forward to the completion date.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you, John.

John Stoll: That's all I had.

President Kiefer: Thank you very much. Are there any other department heads? Okay.

County Attorney

President Kiefer: Now, I would like to go back to the bids. I think Joe has something to report back on the open bids.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes, there were two bids that were received by the Commissioners concerning the concrete repairs of various county roads. That's project number VC14-06-01. There were two bids. The first is from JBI Construction, Inc., that bid amount is \$182,605.90. The second bid is from Rivertown Construction, LLC, and that bid amount was \$198,917.03. I would ask that these bids be taken under advisement and reviewed and have the County Engineer come back with a recommendation at the next meeting.

President Kiefer: Sounds good to me. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second. I have a question.

President Kiefer: Sure.

Commissioner Abell: I'm aware of who JBI is, we've done work with them before. Mr. Stoll, is Rivertown Construction somebody new, or is this someone that you've worked with before?

John Stoll: We have worked with them before. They've been around for a few years. They're based out of Newburgh. I can't remember the last contract we had with them, but we have worked with them on these concrete patching contracts in the past.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, alright. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay. Did you do roll call?

Madelyn Grayson: No, but we do have a motion.

President Kiefer: We have a motion, then do we have a second?

Madelyn Grayson: Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, then, roll call then.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: That will be good to get some of these projects taken care of.

Commissioner Abell: Absolutely.

President Kiefer: Okay, if there's no other department head reports and we finished up those, the bids—

New Business

President Kiefer: Is there any new business? I looked over to you, Commissioner.

Commissioner Abell: You knew I was going to bring this up, because we discussed this in our Solid Waste meeting. Unfortunately, at the Solid Waste meeting, we could only discuss it and that was about it. I would hope that someone from our trash pick up company is watching on television tonight to realize that they are doing a terrible job picking up the heavy trash in this city. Stringtown Road in front of Old North Church was scheduled for heavy trash pick up on May 23rd, and as of this morning mattresses and carpeting and furniture are still sitting on the road in front of Stringtown Road near Old North Church. I would hope that maybe in the morning they will have seen this on television tonight and be shamed into enough to get out there and get that stuff picked up. This happens every year because Stringtown Road is the end of their route. They need to be putting in more dates to pick up. I have discussed this with the City Councilman, and they didn't give him any more consideration than they gave me. So, maybe they'll give more consideration to the taxpayers watching on television. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you for your comments. Commissioner Melcher, anything?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Old Business

President Kiefer: We'll move on to old business, any old business? Seeing none.

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Is there any public comment from anybody in the audience?

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Okay, Madelyn, could you do the consent items please?

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the June 3rd meeting are as follows: we have approval of the prior meeting minutes from May 20, 2014. Approval of the May 2014 Accounts Payable vouchers. The employment changes for the Commissioners approval, there's two for the Health Department, one for the Old National Events Plaza, and four for Burdette Park. The County Commissioners have change orders number one and two for the second floor renovations at the Old Courthouse and a transfer of decommissioned monitors to Old National Events Plaza. The County Treasurer has the April 2014 monthly report. The County Highway has the May 12th through 15th and May 19-23, 2014 work reports. Weights and Measures has the April 16-May 15, 2014 monthly report. The Sheriff has a request to surplus non-operational trailer. The County Assessor's office has a surplus request. Burdette Park has a request to transfer two non-operational vehicles to Wolfe's Auto Auction for sale, and the County Engineer has their consent agenda.

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Final Reading of Rezoning Ordinance VC-3-2014
Petitioner: John Elpers
Address: 21 Mt. Ashley Road
Request: Change from Ag to C-4 with UDC
Action: Approved 3-0

President Kiefer: Okay, now on to the fun and exciting part of the meeting, rezonings. Final reading of rezoning ordinance VC-3-2014, petitioner, John Elpers, 21 Mt. Ashley Road, change from Ag to C-4 with a use and development commitment.

Janet Greenwell: Hi.

President Kiefer: Thank you for being here tonight.

Janet Greenwell: It's always wonderful to come to rezonings and finish them. Janet Greenwell with the Area Plan Commission. VC-3-2014 comes forward with a unanimous approval of the Area Plan Commission, the seven members present. We were lucky enough to have seven members, a quorum, so that we could move this forward. Mr. Elpers is petitioning to rezone eight tenths of his seven acre residential lot. The survey pretty much shows, it's down in the far corner, not really visible from the road. Some of the pictures will show, this is from the aerial view, I don't believe that part of it is visible from the road. Visible from the road is Mr. Elpers' home. The construction business is tucked back behind. He does have a paved drive. He's in compliance with everything that would be required. He'll just need to get his commercial permit, if this is approved. He did submit a use and development commitment stating that the only use of the acreage, the little piece that he's rezoning would be in conjunction with his contracting business and anything related to it, nothing else.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Janet Greenwell: This did come in as a citizen complaint. Mr. Elpers has been very cooperative and did file a rezoning when we contacted him.

President Kiefer: Okay. Joe Harrison is going to swear anybody in that wants to speak.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Is anybody going to speak on this? If they do, all those who wish to speak with respect to this petition please raise your right hand. Do you swear, affirm the testimony that you're about to give is true and accurate so help you God?

John Elpers: Yes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay, Mr. Elpers, do you want to come up and give us your sales pitch?

John Elpers: I understand there was a complaint made on the property. I thought I would do what I've got to do to make it right. So, that's why I'm here.

President Kiefer: Could you, for the record, give us your name and address?

John Elpers: John Elpers, 21 Mt. Ashley.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. So, this is out in front of your property then, where you live, or behind it?

John Elpers: That is my property.

President Kiefer: Right, but this is your residence?

John Elpers: Correct.

President Kiefer: Yeah, just so people understand that.

John Elpers: Yes, the house is on the right and the barn is on the left, where we do the business.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Janet, what kind of complaint was registered? It wasn't one of Mr. Elpers' competitors was it?

Janet Greenwell: I don't think so. I think it was a neighbor who Mr. Elpers may have a disagreement with.

Commissioner Abell: Aww.

Janet Greenwell: Well, it happens.

John Elpers: Well, it's my understanding, it wasn't the neighbor, it was an individual working for the neighbor. He was parked in my front yard and I told him to move his equipment. So, then, in turn, he got upset with me and called you guys.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

John Elpers: So, it wasn't a neighbor, that I'm aware of.

Commissioner Abell: So, it wasn't a complaint that you're like running your buzzsaws all night long and keeping everybody awake?

John Elpers: No.

President Kiefer: Just, out of curiosity, because I've never been out to your place before, is all of this visible from the roadside, or it's kind of hidden in the back, isn't it?

John Elpers: Well, there's a tree line along—

President Kiefer: Yeah.

John Elpers: — Oak Hill. That hides the bulk of it, plus I've got trees in front of the barn.

President Kiefer: Okay.

John Elpers: But, if you're looking down on it, you're going to see the parking lot.

President Kiefer: Sure, I can see that. It looks like you've got a beautiful piece of property there.

John Elpers: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there anything else from the Commissioners from Mr. Elpers?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Well, first, yeah, is there any remonstrators here tonight? Okay, none? We have a motion to approve and a second. Further discussion? If not, I'll ask for a roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

John Elpers: Thank you guys.

Commissioner Melcher: Thank you.

**Final Reading of Rezoning Ordinance VC-4-2014
Petitioner: Troy Tornatta/Big Rapids LLC
Address: 3510 N. St. Joseph Avenue
Request: Change from Ag to C-4 with UDC
Action: Approved 3-0**

President Kiefer: Okay, next is final reading of rezoning VC-4-2014. The petitioner is Troy Tornatta/Big Rapids LLC, 3510 N. St. Joseph Avenue, change from Ag to C-4 with a use and development commitment.

Janet Greenwell: Right, this one also comes forward with a unanimous recommendation for approval from Plan Commission. The back, I'm sorry, the back portion of this property was zoned back in 1985. At that time there was a lot of discussion. They had originally asked to rezone the entire parcel. A lot of what's out there now wasn't there yet. The area has significantly changed. Let's see if I have a picture of the....this is pretty much what, I mean, it's just south of a mobile home park and a junkyard, and it has an industrial park to the east, across St. Joe. This is the property today. It is, the rear half of it was rezoned, and it allowed the owner at the time to build a 36 unit mini storage warehouse. Mr. Tornatta did contact our office and was very surprised to find that the front part was not zoned. Somehow, back in 1985 they felt that they wanted to see how it worked out. We still do that sometimes now. We haven't had any complaints about the existing facility, and what Mr. Tornatta is planning to do is to fill in the front half with a similar type building. He also put a use and development commitment on his, actually he put it on the entire parcel, because he included the original and the new part, but it would be used for nothing except mini storage, or storage of boats, vehicles, RV's. Really, the only

practical use of that property, unless water and sewer were brought out to that area, would be some type of storage facility.

President Kiefer: Okay. Is the petitioner here tonight?

Commissioner Abell: Janet, that looks like a gravel drive.

Janet Greenwell: It is a gravel drive.

Commissioner Abell: So, and it will remain that way?

Janet Greenwell: Pre-existing gravel drives typically are allowed to remain if they were put in before the paving requirement was passed. That particular drive is not to the minimum width. So, I'm not 100 percent sure that it will be able to remain gravel. That will be up to Commercial Site Review. It will have to be widened to a minimum 24 feet. I believe it's only 22.

Commissioner Abell: I really like them gravel. I think, we've got water problems out on St. Joe anyway, and I think it just helps to not pave anymore than we have to.

Janet Greenwell: We did pass that ordinance saying that mini storage would not have to pave. The only section that may be required would be the entrance point on to St. Joe. That's to keep a small section paved so that the rock doesn't kick out into the right-of-way.

Commissioner Abell: Into the street, yeah. Okay.

President Kiefer: What's the pleasure of the Commissioners? Without the petitioner being here, do you want to proceed with this?

Commissioner Abell: I don't have a problem.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I don't neither.

President Kiefer: Okay. Are there any remonstrators? If not, I'll ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, we have a first by Commissioner Abell, a second by Commissioner Melcher. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: This is kind of what I talked about today in the Chamber, I mean, when we was in the Rotary, excuse me. This is complete for gravel. So, we

don't have these water problems. So, these storage...she's right, I was going to throw that out a while ago, but you beat me to it. The first part probably will have to be paved some. It could be with blacktop, it don't have to be concrete. It's a hard surface right?

Janet Greenwell: Right, a hard surface.

Commissioner Melcher: Then, the rest of it could be rock. That's what we're wanting because of all the flooding and everything that we're getting everywhere. So, I'll vote yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes. So, that's approved.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Is there anything else to come before the Board of County Commissioners? If not, I'll ask for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:41 p.m.)

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Joe Gries	Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer
Rachel Kitterman	Madelyn Grayson	Deidra Conner
Jeff Lyons	Patrick Lyons	Gary Heck
John Stoll	Janet Greenwell	John Elpers
Dave Wedding	Others Unidentified	Members of Media

CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioners:

Approval of the May 20, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.
Change Orders #1 & #2: OCH Second Floor Renovation Project.

Employment Changes:

Health Dept. (2)	Old Nat'l Events Plaza (1)	Burdette Park (4)
Sheriff (3)	County Assessor (1)	County Clerk (10)
DADS (1)	Auditor (1)	

Auditor: Approval of the May 2014 A/P Vouchers.

County Treasurer: April 2014 Monthly Report.

County Highway: 5/12-5/15 & 5/19-5/23/14 Work Reports.

Weights & Measures: 4/16-5/15/14 Monthly Report.

Surplus Requests:

County Assessor: Computer Equipment.
Burdette Park: Two Non-Operational Vehicles to Wolfe's Auto Auction.
Sheriff: Non-Operational Trailer.
Commissioners: Computer Monitors to Old National Events Plaza.

County Engineer: Consent Agenda & Blue Claims.

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(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 17, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 17th day of June, 2014 at 5:01 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for June 17, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Madelyn, would you do roll call please?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here. We have a quorum, so we can move ahead.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would like to ask Joe Harrison, Jr. to lead us in the Pledge.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

2014 City-County Byrne JAG Grant Agreement

President Kiefer: Under action items, we have a resolution approving an agreement between the city and county regarding the 2014 Byrne Justice Grant award. It's a joint city-county resolution regarding 2014 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Funds disbursement. The city will receive \$48,267, the county will receive \$7,857, which the Sheriff's Office will use to purchase investigative computer equipment. Are there any questions regarding that?

Commissioner Abell: I have one question. If the Sheriff decides not to use it for that, by voting it in that way we're not restricting him to just that, are we?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I would just say he plans on using it for that.

Rick Hubbard: Yeah, I mean, at this point, pending getting the grant, if we have to make an adjustment, we can request an adjustment for those expenditures.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, I just didn't want to tie their hands to just having to...okay, I'll move for approval.

President Kiefer: Okay, I'll second that. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Oh, we'll need you to state your name and address for the record.

Rick Hubbard: Sergeant Rick Hubbard, Evansville Police Department.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

Rick Hubbard: Thank you.

<p>Resolution CO.R-06-14-005: Approving the Issuance of Bonds of the Vanderburgh County Redevelopment Commission: University Parkway Sewer Extension</p>

President Kiefer: Next is resolution regarding the issuance of bonds to finance the extension of sewer into the University Parkway TIF district area. This is regarding the future issuance of bonds up to an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 in connection with the county's desire to extend sewer and related improvements into the University Parkway TIF district area. Joe, did you have any comments on that?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think that pretty much explains it. The County Redevelopment Commission has also approved a similar resolution, and this is just a beginning point to see if the county can come up with the funding to possibly do that work down the road.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there further discussion or questions?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

President Kiefer: I'll second that. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

**2014 Elderly & Handicap Transportation Services Agreement
Health Dept: Non-Clinical Affiliation Agreement with IU**

President Kiefer: Okay, next is the contracts, agreements and leases. The County Commissioners METS E & H transportation and service agreement. This six month agreement between the city and county regarding the METS elderly and handicap transportation services provided for resident who reside outside the city limits, within Vanderburgh County. It runs from January 1, 2014 till 6/30/14. The cost is \$143,356.76 for six months. Is there questions, discussion?

Commissioner Abell: Are those dates correct?

President Kiefer: Yeah, I mean—

Commissioner Abell: 1/1/14?

President Kiefer: – we're running behind on this.

Commissioner Abell: Obviously.

President Kiefer: The city has already been bearing the expense on it.

Commissioner Abell: And, they're going to bill us now?

President Kiefer: They're going to bill us now.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for approval.

President Kiefer: I'll second that. Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Next is the Health Department Indiana University non-clinical affiliation agreement. A two year agreement under which the Health Department will provide internship opportunities for IU students to assist the Health Department with its WIC and other related programs. It looks like we have Gary Heck here to discuss.

Gary Heck: Gary Heck, Vanderburgh County Health Department. We had a request to have this affiliation agreement approved. We have identified a student who would like to be able to spend some time under this agreement in September at the Health Department. I think the County Attorney has already reviewed it and has pronounced it to be okay, from a legal perspective. This will certainly further the education of students in public health careers and also with the WIC clinic. We would ask that you approve it for us.

President Kiefer: Okay, that sounds like a good program. Is there discussion?

Commissioner Abell: Move to approve.

President Kiefer: I'll second that. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Gary Heck: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thanks.

Burdette Park

President Kiefer: Are there any department head reports? Come on up, Steve. John, he beat you to the punch there. He jumped up first.

Steve Craig: Steve Craig, Manager of Burdette Park. The first thing that I had wanted to bring up is that we've had some incidents at the park with some security problems at our Aquatic Center. I had gotten in contact with VanGuard Alarm Service, that's who has the contract at Burdette. I got some prices from them on putting some motion detectors, cameras, and I'd wanted to put a guard dog, but they advised me against that. We are going to have cameras and some motion detectors up there. I do think I've got enough money in my pool account that I can have these put in, and I was wanting permission to go ahead and go with this added security. I gave it to Joe. I thought, I tried to give everybody a copy of it.

President Kiefer: Yeah, I saw it.

Commissioner Abell: In accordance with the last few things that have happened, I think you need to do this.

Steve Craig: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for approval.

President Kiefer: Is there any other discussion? I'll second that.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Madelyn, do you have a copy of it?

Madelyn Grayson: I don't have anything.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Here you go. What is that quote amount, \$2,600 something?

Steve Craig: Yeah, it was \$2,680, and then they're going to give us a camera for the summer to see...we had talked about putting some added security throughout the park with cameras, and we're going to get a camera at no cost to us to try for the summer.

Commissioner Abell: Good.

Steve Craig: Then, there's no monthly fee on this. This will all be a one time thing, and then, you know, if we have any problems, then we go to the computer. Plus, it's going to be attached to an alarm, and it will be attached also where, as soon as there's any activity, it will be sent to the Sheriff's Command Post, I think is where he said that we could send it. Then, there will also be the alarms and that. So, it won't take long before we'll have security waiting for them to come out of the pool or go in to get them.

Commissioner Abell: Well, you know, Steve, tearing up the pool is bad, but we can fix the pool, but if somebody tore up that upside down house, that's a work of art, one time, one of a kind. So, you know, I think you're well placed to put some more security out there, and let's make sure some of those things—

Steve Craig: I agree. I mean, there's been some things...we've not had much problems in the past, but it seems like, you know, it seems like the nicer things you make them, it seems like, you know, they tear them up a little bit more.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

Steve Craig: No, and the other thing that I had—

Madelyn Grayson: You need to vote on this.

Commissioner Abell: We have to vote on that.

Steve Craig: Oh, you didn't vote yet.

President Kiefer: Yeah, can you do roll call please?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Now you can continue on.

Steve Craig: Okay, the other one was, I had a packet that I put together, and I had worked with Kent Ahrenholtz on the campground expansion. What I'm wanting you guys to do is take a look at this, you know, it's got the pictures of it, it's got the explanations. I think I've got the money, from what I can read from this, that we do have the money that we could start this this year also. I would like you guys to take a look at it, go over it. If you have any questions, you can ask me, or you can get a

hold of Kent. I think he can explain the more technical stuff, but I can explain, you know, the reasoning and that behind it. Marsha, you had worked with me on this to get it started.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

Steve Craig: I think it's a good idea. I think it's something that will pay for itself, and actually make the county some money here in the near future. I read that they're moving along with that factory also, so, that's what we needed to hear. I would like you guys to look at it, and at the next meeting, I think, is it July 15th?

Madelyn Grayson: Yes.

Steve Craig: That, if we can, we could take some action on it on July 15th if we want to pursue it.

President Kiefer: Okay, that sounds good. I think, I've briefly looked at it, and I think, you know, it looks like a good plan. So, I'm looking forward to getting that accomplished.

Commissioner Abell: Commissioner Kiefer, I just want to tell you that I actually, with Mr., with Steve, we've talked to a couple members of County Council about this, and the big thing here is the Midwest fertilizer plant going in at Mt. Vernon—

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: — it would be a great place for them to bring their recreational vehicles and live in during the week and work there.

President Kiefer: I think that's a two and a half billion dollar project.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah. I mean, I think that, I would like to see, and, Steve, you might want to discuss this with the Council. I would like to see them set this up in a Revolving Fund. So, as it starts to make money you can add to it, because there's a possibility that this could....I mean, I was out at the 4-H Center, and they have doubled the size of theirs, and every piece was taken.

Steve Craig: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: So, you've got a lot more to offer at Burdette Park than they have at the 4-H Center. So, I think we could really, really improve on this. I would like to see it as a Revolving Fund so you would have that money to just go ahead and continue to build on this.

Steve Craig: There's a couple of things, the way the rules are set up at ours that we're going to need to take a look at too and adjust.

Commissioner Abell: I know.

Steve Craig: I mean, you and I talked about that, so, we'll have to get that taken care of, but that's all I have. As long as it stays hot and sunny, we've been really, really busy. So, that's a good thing.

Commissioner Abell: Good. That's good.

President Kiefer: Alright, thanks, Steve.

Steve Craig: Thank you.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Next we have the County Engineer. The highly esteemed, John Stoll.

John Stoll: I don't know if I can live up to the introduction there, but I've got three items here. The first is an annual maintenance contract with ESRI for the GIS software. The amount of this annual maintenance agreement is \$700. Joe Harrison has reviewed it, and he said it was acceptable for the Commissioners approval. So, I would recommend acceptance.

President Kiefer: It sounds like a fairly reasonable price. It sounds like a good bargain. Is there any questions?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

President Kiefer: I'll second that, and ask for roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: The next item I've got is a recommendation to award contract VC14-06-01, concrete repair of various roads to JBI Construction for \$182,605.90. They were the low bidder on the project. This will do street repairs in Fox Hollow Subdivision and on Schroeder Road just west of Highway 41.

President Kiefer: Okay, that's great. We need to get moving on that kind of work. Is there any questions, Commissioner?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

President Kiefer: Okay, I'll second that. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: Then, last, I've got a notice to bidders for contract VC14-07-01, concrete repair of Chastain Drive. Chastain Drive is a concrete street located off of Highway 65 about a quarter mile south of Cynthia Heights School. We can get that street entirely taken of with this contract this year.

President Kiefer: What was the amount on that?

John Stoll: Well, this is just the notice to bidders to advertise it, for you all to approve the advertisement.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay. Yeah, do we need a motion to do that then?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

President Kiefer: I'll second that. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: That's all I have, unless you have questions.

President Kiefer: No, that's it. Thanks, John.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Stoll, I just wanted to reiterate with the cameras going that I hope that people in the county will realize that all of the roads that are closed from the railroad repair, we were not notified of that. I did talk to Sheriff Wedding, who is out here, you can see the jail, you just can't get to it from Highway 41. We didn't have any notice. We hope that the residents are catching on that it's hard to get to Highway 41 off of some of those roads that are now closed because they are replacing the railroad track.

John Stoll: I did find, late this afternoon, that there was a e-mail that was sent out, but it only went to city people. I don't know, I shouldn't say that, not to only city people, it looks like it went to some media outlets, but the County Highway Department and my office neither one got a copy of it. Obviously, the County Commissioners didn't get it either. So, we're going to try and see if we can get on that distribution list on those e-mails as well, so, that way, in the future, if like where the railroad put county roads on a city notice, if we could potentially catch that in the future and at least make everybody aware of it. It looks like that distribution list came out of the Police Department.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, and I really wish they would ask our County Sheriff his feelings on it, because there's like three consecutive roads closed. I would think one at a time would be generous.

John Stoll: I spoke to the City Engineer, and he was attempting to get that, but, obviously, that's not working.

Commissioner Abell: I understand.

John Stoll: Unfortunately, we run into that with railroads quite often.

Commissioner Abell: Well, we can keep making noise.

President Kiefer: John, we had talked, I think it was like a week or two ago about the road where the farmer was complaining about–

John Stoll: Oh, Trapp Road.

President Kiefer: Yeah, Trapp Road, yeah that's it. Have you had any contact with them since then?

John Stoll: Jeff Mueller and I went out there with Pat Seib last week.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay.

John Stoll: We were still looking for any options as far as trying to come up with any ways that the county could repair the road.

President Kiefer: You might explain to Commissioner Abell what the situation was out there on Trapp Road.

John Stoll: It's out between...do you know where it is?

Commissioner Abell: I think you sent pictures.

John Stoll: Okay. Well, the ditches are about ten plus feet deep. The edge of the pavement is being undermined. That's why the Highway Department had to close the road.

Commissioner Abell: Right.

John Stoll: Pat Seib has indicated that when his crews are available they are going to go out there and try to put some band-aid repairs on it that would at least allow the road to get re-opened. But, given the steep slopes, the depth of the ditch, the volume of water, we're going to continue to see those problems where it's going to erode the side slopes of the ditch and undermine the pavement. So, we're going to have to come up with a long term solution. The bad part is, any long term solution–

President Kiefer: Is expensive.

John Stoll: – a quarter of a million dollars, because you would have to move the ditch or re-route it in some manner.

President Kiefer: The problem is it's not heavily traveled.

Commissioner Abell: That's what I was going to ask. How much is it traveled?

John Stoll: I think the estimates were around 50 cars a day.

Commissioner Abell: Is there an alternate road that could be used?

John Stoll: Yes, right now.

President Kiefer: I think the complaints come in from some of the farming families out there that they have a little bit more difficult time running their operation without the use of that road.

John Stoll: They would have to go out, say, Baseline to 65 and come back around the south side, or vice versa to by-pass it all, if the section where the road is being undermined was permanently closed. Their equipment is on one side and the closure would prevent them from getting to the other side of their farm. So, that's their primary concern. We've expressed to them that we're looking for options, we just haven't come up with anything cost effective. The way the county's budgets are right now, we wouldn't have that kind of money to put into a project like that.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Can I suggest, and I'm just curious, is there anyway that, you know, assuming that it could be stabilized in some fashion, that it could just be a rock road in that area?

Commissioner Abell: That's what I'm thinking.

John Stoll: The problem is just the slopes are so steep.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: You've got to stabilize it, I know.

John Stoll: But, they are continuing to fall off, and it's gotten up underneath the edge of the pavement. So, as long as a high volume of water is still coming through there during the heavy rains, it's still going to take out a rock road just like it would take out the asphalt road.

President Kiefer: I wonder if that, if there's any grant money anywhere, you know, I know this is an unusual circumstance, you know, I don't know if there's any—

Commissioner Abell: The only grants I know of is if there's a flood you can sometimes apply to the federal government for flood relief money.

President Kiefer: Yeah, but, I mean, since this is mainly affecting farming operations and stuff, I just didn't know if there was—

John Stoll: We spoke to SWCD and NRCS personnel, and they didn't have anything that would cover—

President Kiefer: Right.

John Stoll: —re-routing the ditch.

President Kiefer: Okay.

John Stoll: They talked like it would cover some minor spot repairs, but it really wouldn't correct the source of the problem. Then, there was another suggestion to route the ditch through the farm fields further south just to get it away from the road. I sent that e-mail out to SWCD and NRCS, and they were going to explore whether or not the ditch could be moved further south and just get it permanently away from the road.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

John Stoll: It's still going to be a costly project. The farmers would have to be agreeable to giving up the land to get the ditch cut through at in an alternate location.

President Kiefer: Well, I mean, you've gotta, they would probably have to give a little bit in order to, you know, receive a benefit in return. Well, we'll do what we can do, and we'll keep discussing it and looking at it and monitoring it, I guess.

John Stoll: The biggest problem is, it's very expensive for such a low volume of traffic. Again, based on the numbers we're seeing that I just got from the Auditor's Office for the Road and Street Fund next year, we're not going to have any large sums of money to take care of a project like that next year either.

President Kiefer: Okay.

John Stoll: So, I don't really have any good answers as of yet.

President Kiefer: Alright, thanks, John.

John Stoll: Sure.

New Business/Old Business

President Kiefer: Is there any new business? Any old business to cover?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Okay, is there anybody in the public that wants to make comment?

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Alright, well, then, Madelyn, if you could do the consent items.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the June 17th meeting are as follows; we have approval of prior meeting minutes, we have the June 3, 2014 Commission meeting minutes. Employment changes for the Commissioners approval, there are three for Burdette Park, nine for the Health Department, and one for the Commissioners. The Commissioners have transfer requests for Solid Waste Disposal, Uniforms and Southwest Mental Health. The County Ozone Officer has the April and May 2014 monthly reports. The County Highway has work reports for May 26th through the 30th, and June 2nd through 5th, 2014. Evansville ARC has the March and April 2014 monthly reports. The County Auditor has a request to surplus for various computer equipment, and the County Engineer has a consent agenda.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

President Kiefer: Second. If there's no discussion, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Alright, next I would like to ask if there's a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:21 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the June 3, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.

Transfer Requests: Solid Waste Disposal, Uniforms, SW IN Mental Health.

County Ozone Officer: April and May 2014 Monthly Reports.

Evansville ARC: March and April 2014 Monthly Reports.

Employment Changes:

Health Dept. (9)

Burdette Park (3)

Commissioners (1)

Sheriff (5)

County Assessor (1)

County Clerk (2)

Area Plan (1)

Public Defender (1)

County Highway: 5/26-5/30 & 6/2-6/5/14 Work Reports.

County Auditor: Surplus request letter.

County Engineer: Consent Agenda for 6/17/2014.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer

Marsha Abell

Joe Gries

Joe Harrison, Jr.

Kristin Comer

Madelyn Grayson

Rick Hubbard

Gary Heck

Steve Craig

John Stoll

Others Unidentified

Members of Media

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**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JULY 15, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 15th day of July, 2014 at 5:01 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: I would like to call to order the meeting of the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for July 15, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: I would ask that you do roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would like to ask Commissioner Abell to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much.

**Permission to Open Bids for VC14-07-01:
Concrete Repair for Chastain Drive**

President Kiefer: I would like to ask for permission to open bids for VC14-07-01. It's the concrete repair for Chastain Drive.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, Counselor, you can start opening those bids and we'll come back to you.

Arts Council of Southwest Indiana Presentation

President Kiefer: Under action items, Arts Council of Southwestern Indiana presentation. Anne McKim is here to give a brief presentation. Welcome.

Anne McKim: Thank you. There's a copy of a Power Point in your files in front of you, which is good because it's very hard to read these little screens. Commissioners, President Kiefer, thank you so much for your time this evening. I'm speaking on behalf of the Arts Council of Southwestern Indiana's Board of Directors, our staff, our membership and our supporters. I'll try to be as brief as possible in my overview of the organization. I know that you heard a similar presentation from me last year, and that way there will be some time for questions if you have any. The Arts Council mission is enhancing quality of life and supporting economic development through advocacy and promotion of the arts, arts education and arts organizations in Southwestern Indiana. We define arts broadly, including the visual arts; paintings, sculptures, ceramics, etc; music both instrumental and choral, expanding all genres; theater, dance, literature, poetry, film, architecture, and along with it historic preservation, design and public art. Essentially all activities and initiatives that impact the visual and cultural landscape of our community fall under the Arts Council's umbrella in one way or another. The Arts Council's programming occurs primarily in the Bower-Suhrheinrich Foundation Gallery, located at 318 Main Street in Evansville. We are the only free public art space in the city, and use the gallery to host rotating fine arts exhibits every four to six weeks, concerts, poetry readings and ballets. We have screened films in the gallery, and we will be hosting for the first time a community theater production later this month. The gallery also includes a shop for local artists to sell their work from, and provides a venue for workshops and professional development programs for artists. We host collaborative exhibits in the gallery, and are currently preparing for an exhibit of work created by the clients of Peace Zone, which is a mental health recover group for the YMCA and United Caring Shelters. The Arts Council is also particularly committed to ensuring that quality arts education opportunities exist in Vanderburgh County, and in the 2013-2014 fiscal year we granted over \$267,000 to fund nearly 40 classroom and institutional programs. We've worked on improving our techniques on tracking data, and since January 1, 2014 we've brought, and I apologize, it appears my slides are a little bit out of order, which is my fault, so, I can reorganize them for you. So, since January 1, 2014 we've brought over 2,300 people to Main Street for arts and cultural events. In addition, we've held events at Deaconess Gateway Women's Hospital, the Evansville Museum and Wesselman's Nature Preserve. We worked to put art in Gilda's Club, and we helped the VA Clinic hold their first veterans art show. Our role and responsibility within the arts community have increased over the last year, and we now have staff representatives on the Da Vinci Institute Steering Committee, which is a stem to steam group; the Philharmonic Youth Advisory Board; the Public Art Commission; the Alhambra Theater Board; the Evansville Design Group Board; the Downtown Alliance and we are sharing the Mayor's Task Force on Cultural Development. Let's see if I can catch up with myself. You can see a list, and for those of you with slide packets, of partners we have worked with over the past year, both granting and working to get art into their spaces, and in collaborative relationships that take other forms. We're charged by the community with undertaking all of these projects. The Evansville-Vanderburgh County Area Plan Commission 2011-2030 Comprehensive Plan highlights the Arts Council as an

asset. In addition, and you can see the wording there, although I'm sure you're all quite familiar with it. In addition, a study done on behalf of the Chamber, studying why young professionals choose, or choose not, to live and work in our area, again and again references a desire for a culturally vibrant city. This is such an important aspect to millennials, 30 year olds especially, that it was included in five of the seven metrics used in the study. And here are some quotes, interviews with people of the millennial generation, some people said; "My least favorite aspect of life in the Greater Evansville Region is the lack of a centralized area for art entertainment and living" And, an idea of how to improve it, "Focus on gateways coming into the region, public art", and even, "Embrace the Bohemian lifestyle amenities by; local farmers markets, arts district, etcetera." Finally, the voice data generated through conversations with over 1,700 Vanderburgh County residents show how important a new focus on arts culture are to our community. This is called a wordal, and the more often an idea came up in conversation, the larger it appears. You can see that "Arts" is very largely represented, along with other aspects of our work. All of this work is made possible by the support from partners that understand the value of arts to a community. This value contains both economic and quality of life benefits, and I ask that the County Commission recognizing the Arts Council unique position to supply and support the arts in Vanderburgh County, continue funding financial support of our organization. The last picture, I cheater a little bit and used a photo of my children, it's quality of life and it's economic development, that is a sculpture from sculptor EVV in the Haynie's Corner Arts District area. We are investing as a city in that area, using art as a catalyst for economic development. Then, quality of life, it's great to climb on if you are three and five years old. Thank you. Are there any questions?

President Kiefer: Commissioners, any questions?

Commissioner Melcher: What does it take to be a community partner?

Anne McKim: It means that we work with you in one way or another. We provide supportive services for a great number of arts related non-profits. So, on the community partners list, which I'll pull up for myself, if you have a specific question. Some of these reflect grants that we've given out, some of these reflect organizations that we publicize their work through our newsletter, through our gallery space. Some of them are people that we've put on a program together with.

President Kiefer: I think one reason, I was scanning through the community partners and I noticed we're not considered a community partner then?

Anne McKim: Oh, well, that is a really interesting point. In terms of marketing, your support is recognized and should be better recognized that way. We are always happy to work more directly with the Commissioners and Vanderburgh County, and we'll certainly put your name on this list when we're showing it off.

President Kiefer: Well, I was just curious. What is the total amount we give each year? Is it \$10,000?

Anne McKim: \$10,000.

President Kiefer: Yeah, okay. Any other questions? I really appreciate, Anne, you coming today. Thank you very much. This is a very nice presentation.

Anne McKim: Thank you.

President Kiefer: You, know, I think you guys do good work, and I appreciate your involvement in the community.

Anne McKim: Thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

**Request to File Eviction Complaint against Occupant of
County Owned Property at 1415 Parrett Street**

President Kiefer: Next, under action items, under County Commissioners, this is a request to file an eviction complaint against the occupant of county-owned property at 1415 Parrett Street. I would like to ask Joe Harrison to discuss this.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: As you may know, there's been, oh, some stories that have been in the media lately regarding the property at 1415 Parrett Street. That particular piece of property is now owned by Vanderburgh County, has been owned by Vanderburgh County for a year or so. It was acquired by Tax Sale, due to the non-payment of real estate taxes on that property. The property is occupied. I believe the occupant of the property is here this evening. It's Larry Lewis. He may want to come up to the microphone, but the thing is that this, whenever property is in the name of the county, after it is acquired at Tax Sale through court proceedings, the property then is typically auctioned off by the county. They typically auction off a couple hundred properties a year through that process. There's going to be one or two auctions coming up in the next several months. The auction is conducted by Sohn. The county enters into a contract, or has entered into a contract with them to provide that service, and there's typically an auction held one or two times a year. As I mentioned, there will be one or two coming up in the near future. In order to ready the property for auction purposes, it would be best, in my opinion, to have the property vacant, so it is able to be auctioned off. Or, it may be acquired by the City of Evansville. The City of Evansville is interested in possibly acquiring that property. It's my understanding it's on the demolition list. So, anyway, that's my recommendation to have an eviction proceeding filed, and proceed ahead in that fashion, but certainly it's up to the Commissioners to make that determination.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you, Joe, for that report. I would like to ask Larry Lewis to come up and speak. Good evening, Larry. I appreciate you being here tonight, and if you would like to talk, please.

Larry Lewis: Thank you for this opportunity to speak. I've known and worked with you all through my former employment for many years, and have the deepest respect. This turning into something in the media, you know, when the home went up to Tax Sale, and then it became county property, I confess, it was not one of the best chapters of my life. I had a job that I loved, people that I loved being with, but there were just things, from my own relationship to... it wouldn't have been the worst thing in my life to have lost my home at that time. Then, just as a last resort, and my faith in reaching out, I talked to Marsha, who I respected. When it became county property, you all had the right to do with it what you wished. She said, you know, we've never done this before, but if there's a way to help you not be homeless, let's see what Joe and I can work out. It was new, it took some time, maybe it was something that even could have helped others. People said, why did you get a deal? I reached out, in good faith, as a last resort to my elected officials. You all responded, and it took some time, and I know there was a communication from Joe

that I may look in the media like I just take my mail and toss it in my recycle bin, but knowing this very important letter was coming, Joe, I was looking for that. I am at a point now where I'm not employed in Evansville, I may become homeless in Evansville. My wife's health has been a big factor in a lot of this, she hasn't really been able to work in about 20 years, and usually gets out about twice a year to vote. That's all personal, you're down to the business. I can see selling the house. It needs work right now. I hoped the arrangement would have been done, and, I'm sorry, should it be arrangement in quotation marks for the media, but it still should be, it needs loving and maintaining. It needs roof work, it needs plumbing, it needs things that in its state of stasis I couldn't really pursue either. So, if it's going to be up for auction, let it at least get a tarp over the roof and I'll stop bailing out the inside every time it rains. But, I love that old home, it's been part of the neighborhood since 1909, it's been through the floods, I would hate to see it just demolished. I have people that are friendly buyers that believe in me, no matter what's been said in the media, know me for my integrity and honesty and faith, and have offered to step forward at auction and help purchase the property to work out an arrangement that I could still maintain the home and go forward looking for work and keep my wife in a place where moving would be a big stress on her health. I'm sorry, I'm going to stop now before my knees start shaking more and emotion takes over. Please vote with your heart. Vote with what Joe recommends what's going to be the best for the home and all involved. I'm accepting of whatever comes my way. So, thank you for your time.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you, Larry, appreciate it, and if we've got some questions we'll ask you.

Commissioner Abell: I have a question.

President Kiefer: Sure.

Commissioner Abell: If you were allowed to stay in that house until we sold it to whoever. I'm assuming someone you know must be planning to bid on it?

Larry Lewis: I have at least two friends that have stepped forward.

Commissioner Abell: That plan to bid on it when it comes up, which is when, Joe, in August? September?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It may be September or October.

Commissioner Abell: Would you be willing to rent it from the county? That seems to be the objection—

Larry Lewis: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: — seems to be that you've been living there without having to pay anything.

Larry Lewis: Yes, you know, and I understand, Joe, it was a new thing. My boss, like I said, it's, there's others that have been in the same situation, apparently hundreds. I, ironically, one of the last jobs that I was at was all of the people being evicted for the D-Patrick location. I was knocking door to door on people going, God, you're a mother with five kids, you've got to move, that sucks. Then, like, suddenly there was a reporter at my house, on your porch going, you know, your house is up for

demolition. I think I'd gotten my next assignment at that time was to go to a Habitat housing dedication where I got to be part of the prayers and the song of somebody getting a new home. So, I guess, I, if we could work out a rent, let it go to auction, where it could get something where the rain's not coming in and help preserve that house, I would love for it to be a part of the neighborhood for a long, long time more.

Commissioner Abell: Do you think Kyle Bernhardt would take this on? He seems to be, he's our rental agent for the Old Courthouse.

President Kiefer: Oh, oh, yeah. Joe, what is our, what can we legally, what are we allowed to do? I mean, what parameters can we work within? I know, I mean, do we have to, if we did rent it, do we have to offer it out to, you know, I mean, I guess, I'm asking a question about what the process is.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Realistically you would have to, if you're going to lease some property, typically you would have to give others an opportunity to do so, because it's in the county's name.

Larry Lewis: But, this gives us a public forum to work something out. Too much has been accused of you all working under the table or special deals for things, you know, I said, I just, I'm a voter that reached out to people and you all responded. But, I don't want anything to appear like it's favoritism or anything.

President Kiefer: Well—

Larry Lewis: Because you—

President Kiefer: —Larry, I mean, I think everybody is well intentioned and everybody has, you know, good ideas at heart, but, you know, that's why Joe is here to help us, advise us. We have to do what legally we're allowed to do—

Larry Lewis: Oh, positively.

President Kiefer: — and can't go outside those parameters.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: The other thing is that the property apparently is on the city demolition list.

Larry Lewis: I think it came off of that.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I have no idea.

Larry Lewis: Now that it was discovered that it was occupied.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I don't know if that's the case or not, but it was on that list, and that tells me that it's not in the best condition if it's on that list. A determination has been made by the city. It could be that the city wants to acquire that property before it would even go to auction. My recommendation is not changing. I think an eviction action needs to be filed, and I'll just leave that up to the Commissioners.

President Kiefer: Well, I think that we could still file an eviction notice, but then, at the same time, running a parallel tract, we could, if we're legally allowed to do this, we could then also see if we could seek a rental arrangement. We can always rescind our eviction notice, can't we?

Larry Lewis: Or could we push for a sooner auction to make sure the house gets the care and love that it needs?

President Kiefer: But, I mean, I don't know, I mean, we're not in the business of spending money on these properties and investing in them and becoming landlords.

Commissioner Abell: Well, that's one of my concerns, if we evict him we've got a piece of property sitting there vacant—

President Kiefer: Right.

Commissioner Abell: — which right now has windows in it, which won't have two days after it's vacant. We don't, we've got a list now in our office of properties we're not mowing that—

President Kiefer: Right.

Commissioner Abell: — we need to mow. We don't want to take care of the property, that's the big issue.

President Kiefer: I agree with you 100 percent, I'm just asking what's the process for doing this, if we did do this.

Larry Lewis: If you could name me an amount till it would go to auction—

President Kiefer: I mean, really, I mean, that's what I'm saying, I mean, I don't know how to—

Commissioner Abell: Well, the reason I said Kyle is because he would have some idea of what rent would be appropriate.

President Kiefer: Right.

Larry Lewis: I'm kind of a live in custodian, if anything, at this point. I mean, I would be, if you have to vote to evict—

President Kiefer: So, this is going to auction in August?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It will probably be September.

President Kiefer: September? How long does the eviction notice take?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That would probably take 30 days.

President Kiefer: 30 days?

Larry Lewis: (Inaudible) that month in between me being not there and the possible...I've seen what happens to empty houses in neighborhoods; people moving in, things catch fire, it's just not good things for houses to be in.

President Kiefer: And, okay, can we...I hate to postpone this, but, I mean, I would like to maybe put this eviction notice off for, until our next meeting—

Commissioner Abell: Next week?

President Kiefer: – so we could have some time to explore what we legally can do or not do. Whether or not we can rent or not rent. We want to follow the law and do what we're allowed to do, and follow the process. So, I mean, I guess, this gives us an extra week to explore this. Our next meeting is next week, right?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It's next Tuesday.

President Kiefer: Next Tuesday.

Larry Lewis: Thank you. That extra conversation would be very good. If anyone would like to see the property close hand, Steve or Marsha, Joe, you know, please–

President Kiefer: You know what, even if I did see it, I mean, it wouldn't be something that I could say, oh, here's the value of it, or here's....like Marsha was saying we have to have some third party help us determine that.

Commissioner Abell: That's why I thought Kyle....since Kyle is already on our–

President Kiefer: Approved list–

Commissioner Abell: – yeah, because he rents the Old Courthouse for us. So, we do have a mechanism for being a landlord-tenant relationship. We're landlords of the Old Courthouse–

President Kiefer: That's true.

Commissioner Abell: – and the people that rent there are tenants. So, we do have that mechanism in place.

President Kiefer: So, we would have to establish something with him. He would have to do some kind of market analysis or something and tell us, you know–

Larry Lewis: And part of the value, I mean, the property has value without the home. I would just hate to see a classic home from a hundred plus years ago be another green space. At the same time, there's work I would have loved to have been able to do to it in the nice couple of months that we're having that couldn't really be done either with the state that it's in.

President Kiefer: Commissioner Melcher, do you want to weigh in on any of this?

Commissioner Melcher: I think everything is going alright. If we're going to hold it, then let's hold it.

President Kiefer: Are you okay with that?

Commissioner Melcher: That way you could check with the person you're talking about that rents for us.

Commissioner Abell: Kyle Bernhardt.

President Kiefer: Yeah, Kyle Bernhardt.

Commissioner Melcher: We could have an answer from him.

President Kiefer: Yeah, because, I guess, the other thing is we would have to make sure, if you said it's on demolition, we would have to make sure and see why is it on demolition, is there a whole list of, a laundry list of things that has to be improved.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: We'll find out tomorrow if it's on the demolition list.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Larry Lewis: I think if you can believe what you read in the papers, it was taken off the demolition list after finding out I was there.

President Kiefer: Well, we know the Courier reporter usually reports facts and not fiction, right, Tom?

Commissioner Abell: Usually. Kristin, did we get notice in the Commissioners Office that this was being put on the demolition list? Do you recall?

Kristin Comer: I don't recall.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: I wouldn't think that they could tear down anybody's house until they tell the owner they're going to tear it down. If we're the owner and we haven't been told, then I would—

President Kiefer: Can, Kristin, can you check with the city on that?

Kristin Comer: I can check on that. We do get notices. So, I will check. I'll double check.

President Kiefer: Yeah, okay.

Larry Lewis: I was going to say, you see the light on and the flag flying, how can you not know somebody is living there?

President Kiefer: I tell you what, this is at least worth waiting one week—

Commissioner Abell: I agree.

President Kiefer: – to—

Larry Lewis: Thank you.

President Kiefer: – give you some extra time and give us some extra time.

Larry Lewis: If you would like, right now my phone number that you all have was work related, which I don't have that phone anymore, but I'm getting a new phone in the next few days. I will be glad to pass on my number.

Commissioner Abell: You'll need—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Call the Commissioners Office.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Or, come to the meeting next Tuesday.

Larry Lewis: Okay, be at the meeting.

President Kiefer: Yeah, just come next week.

Commissioner Abell: Well, Kyle may need to see the house to give us some idea of what–

President Kiefer: Yeah, leave your number with Kristin–

Commissioner Abell: With Kristin.

President Kiefer: – if you’ve got it tonight, can you give it to her?

Larry Lewis: I won’t have a new phone for a day or two probably.

President Kiefer: Okay, well then, when you get it, Kristin, can you write down the office number, the Commissioner Office number?

Larry Lewis: I have that.

President Kiefer: Oh, you have that? Okay, call her and then we’ll get your phone number that way.

Larry Lewis: Excellent. Thank you all for your time spent to hear. I’m sorry for, like I said, everything that came out in this. I know the good intentions were there, and it exploded, and the dominos in my life keep continuing to fall. So, thank you for taking extra time to discuss this. God bless you.

President Kiefer: Alright, thank you, Larry.

Larry Lewis: You’re welcome.

**Auditor: H.J. Umbaugh Agreement for Arbitrage Services
Computer Services: Time Warner Bandwidth Upgrade Agreement
MOU with ECHO for Dental Referral Program
MOU with St. Mary’s-EVSC & ECHO: Back to School Blitz
Health Dept: Clinical Education Agreement with U of E**

President Kiefer: If everyone is okay, we’ll move on to contracts, agreements and leases. The County Auditor agreement with H.J. Umbaugh and Associates for arbitrage services. Joe, do you want to fill us in on this?

Joe Gries: This is an agreement to have Umbaugh and Associates create arbitrage reports that we have to do for our bonding. There are certain reports that have to be supplied to the bond holders and to the federal government to cover ourselves for all of our indebtedness.

President Kiefer: So, you’re asking for us to approve the contract then?

Joe Gries: Please, yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: See, Joe, how easy we are on you? Next is Mark Uhrin, Computer Services, he's here to talk about the Time Warner agreement for bandwidth upgrade to the City and County internet connection. Mark, if you would like to give us a brief summary.

Mark Uhrin: Certainly. What we're offering is a new contract with Time Warner Cable. The existing contract expires in June of next year. It has the capacity of 100MB per second, and we are currently paying \$2,000 per month for that capability. The new contract, if approved, would give us double that capacity, 200MB per second, and the added cost would be \$300 a month. So, the total would be \$2,300 shared between City and County.

President Kiefer: Okay. Well, is there some like implementation costs or something?

Mark Uhrin: There's a fixed fee, a \$150 implementation charge.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay.

Mark Uhrin: But, other than that, it's just a new contract.

President Kiefer: So, this increased bandwidth will help faster internet connectivity?

Mark Uhrin: It gives us more capacity. We're currently running, typically between 60 and 65 percent of capacity. That's starting to push the edge. Over the next five years we certainly don't see that going down by any stretch of the imagination.

President Kiefer: Right.

Mark Uhrin: So, this would give us that buffer and anticipated growth.

President Kiefer: The City Council has already approved this?

Mark Uhrin: City Council has already approved.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Board of Public Works.

President Kiefer: Or, the Board of Public Works.

Mark Uhrin: The Board of Public Works.

President Kiefer: Okay, Board of Public Works. Okay, so it's been approved. Are there questions from Commissioners?

Commissioner Abell: I do have one question. I'm somewhat concerned about some departments that actually function a lot on the internet, the Courts with their connectivity to Indianapolis. Do we have a back up so if that line goes down the Court system is totally out of....they are not as tied to Indianapolis right now, I don't think, but they are going to go completely with Indianapolis.

Mark Uhrin: Absolutely.

Commissioner Abell: The State, with Odyssey.

Mark Uhrin: The Courts, we are looking at other software packages, which are, what is called Software as a Service, which means it's internet based applications. The connection will become more and more critical to everyday operations of the City and the County. We do have dual pathing for most of our connectivity. So, and we do look at that as part of our disaster recovery capabilities to have multiple connections or multiple abilities to get to that connection.

Commissioner Abell: So, if they went down, they could immediately switch over to something else, or something would automatically and they would be okay?

Mark Uhrin: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Mark, so this new bandwidth, is this only for Computer Services inside the Civic Center? Or, does this also provide like Burdette Park or the County Highway Department or other locations?

Mark Uhrin: This is capabilities for all—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: County Engineer.

President Kiefer: County Engineer.

Mark Uhrin: – City and County departments to get out to the internet.

President Kiefer: So regardless of where their physical location is?

Mark Uhrin: Yes.

President Kiefer: That's good.

Mark Uhrin: They all come back to Civic Center and then out, and that connectivity is being increased as well as part of our network upgrade.

President Kiefer: Okay, great, thank you. Are there any other questions? Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Then, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Mark, thank you very much. I appreciate it.

Mark Uhrin: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Glad you're here in Evansville, and hopefully you're enjoying your new home.

Mark Uhrin: I am. I always love a challenge, and this is definitely a challenge.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Okay, we have Gary Heck here from the Health Department and Dr. Spear is here in the audience. Gary, I know you've got several things on the agenda. Memorandum of Understanding with ECHO Community Healthcare regarding dental referral program. This is for emergency dental care services for qualifying Vanderburgh County residents. Under this MOU Vanderburgh County will provide funding in the sum of \$50,000.

Gary Heck: What this agreement does, it lays out the specifications and requirements on how ECHO can claim reimbursement for up to \$50,000. That was approved by the County Council in the Health Department's budget. It allows them to submit, when they have a Vanderburgh County resident that qualifies for the referral program, they're going to refer them to one of their 23 or so providing dentists who have agreed to provide services. It's a limited number of services. They will go ahead and make that referral, provide the services, they'll get an invoice back from the dentist, and then they would submit that claim to the Health Department. We could then submit a reimbursement claim to the Auditor's Office to meet all of the State Board of Accounts requirements. They would then be reimbursed like any other vendor with the County.

President Kiefer: So, this is a good program. It's filling a need that, you know, obviously we lost our Dental Clinic, so this helps fill a need.

Gary Heck: That's correct.

President Kiefer: And, I like it because it's for Vanderburgh County residents and not people from Henderson, Posey, you know, Gibson, Warrick, so, that sounds good.

Commissioner Abell: Right, it's our tax money.

President Kiefer: Yeah, are there any questions? Is there a motion to approve this MOU?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Gary Heck: Thank you.

President Kiefer: I think, next, you have the Memorandum of Understanding with the Evansville School Corporation and ECHO regarding the Back to School Blitz.

Gary Heck: This also includes St. Mary's and the Health Department. It will be August the 2nd, if you approve it, and it will be from 9:00 to 1:00. They have to call and get scheduled appointments. It's something we've done for a number of years. It's for grades Kindergarten, 6th grade and 9th grade. It will include school physicals, sports physicals, immunizations for any uninsured or under insured students who can get through that appointment. It's the same, or virtually the same agreement that we've had in each of the last several years. Just a new date and a new set of students.

President Kiefer: I think it's a great program. I'm glad that we're able to help with these students going back to school. Are there any other questions? If not, I'll ask for a motion.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Finally, we have the Clinical Education agreement with the University of Evansville. This is U of E nursing students will be given an opportunity to participate in clinical internships with the County Health Department for a period of one year, commencing 8/1/14 and ending 7/31/15. Sounds like a good program.

Gary Heck: This, once again, is a renewal of a program that we've had for a number of years. We certainly would encourage you to continue our involvement with it.

President Kiefer: I would love to do that. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Gary Heck: That's all I have on the agenda. I think our County Council is going to talk to you all about some clean up monies that we will need. We do have, we've expended all of the funds that was in our budget to clean up county owned properties that there's trash and debris that's been dumped on. I think, last year we talked about the opportunity, when you had a Tax Sale, you would have the opportunity to return some funds to the Health Department to help clean those up.

We have two properties that we're waiting for. So, when you all have that discussion, we're happy to process that money anyway you wish us to. So, I just wanted to get that little support in.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: How much did they budget for this year?

Gary Heck: \$2,000 is traditionally what's in our line item. I think, last year when we talked about it, we estimated that an additional \$5,000 would cover us through the rest of this year. Whenever you get your proceeds from your Tax Sale, if that can be worked out to transfer it over, or we can submit a claim or whatever to get that money, that would certainly help.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Now, are these properties in the county?

Gary Heck: They're in the county, but most of them are in the city. They're within inside the City limits, but they're County owned property because of the Tax Sale.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, or, not Tax Sale, but you're saying they're County owned property because we acquired them—

Gary Heck: Because they're going to be—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: — through Tax Sale, and they're in the County's name right now?

Gary Heck: That's correct.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Is that what you're saying?

Gary Heck: That's what we're saying. They're owned by the County, and they have trash and debris on them—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Okay.

Gary Heck: — that needs to get moved, or cleaned up.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: As we sit here today?

Gary Heck: As we sit here today.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Okay.

Gary Heck: With no funds to do it.

President Kiefer: It's just another problem that we have with all of these properties we're acquiring.

Commissioner Abell: We've got to get rid, we've got to quit doing this.

Commissioner Melcher: How much is that, is it \$5,000 you're requesting then from the sale?

Gary Heck: I believe that would cover us through the end of this year, based on our experience so far this year. We've spent a little over \$2,000, and we have two

waiting right now, and we anticipate we're going to have more between now and the end of the year.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: There may be other areas that the funding might be able to be found that might be faster.

Gary Heck: Whichever you all can...I mean, it makes no difference to me when you get the money.

President Kiefer: I think the County Auditor may have some comments here.

Joe Gries: First a question, Gary, the budgeted funds, they're in the Health Fund, is that right?

Gary Heck: Well, they're in a line item right now. They started out in the Health Fund, then they were moved to Contractual Services.

Joe Gries: But, that's—

Gary Heck: That's where we spend our money out of.

Joe Gries: – budgeted in the Health Department Fund?

Gary Heck: That is correct.

Joe Gries: Okay, one of the things that is difficult is transferring money between funds.

Gary Heck: Right.

Joe Gries: Tax Sale money is Miscellaneous Revenue that goes into the General Fund. The County Council could budget, within the General Fund, money for that purpose. There may be other opportunities, as Mr. Harrison alluded to, that the Commissioners might have available funds that, you know, they could earmark for this need as well. So, we can visit that with the Commissioners as time goes on.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: You're looking for max \$5,000, but if it was \$2,000 you would probably take it?

Gary Heck: It would certainly pay the ones that we have that we have to clean up right now. We would be looking for another solution in another few months, but, yes, any money you have would be wonderful.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Gary.

Gary Heck: No, thank you.

President Kiefer: Appreciate that, thanks for the good news on that.

County Attorney

President Kiefer: I guess, before we proceed I can go back to the bid opening, and maybe Joe has something to report.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes, there were two bids that were submitted. This is on the concrete repair of Chastain Drive. That's VC14-07-01. There were two bids submitted, as I said. The first is from JBI Construction, Inc. Their bid amount is \$92,790. The second bid was from Rivertown Construction LLC, and that bid amount is \$78,991. I would ask that these bids be taken under advisement. We'll let Mr. Stoll review them and get back with us with a recommendation.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll make a motion we take them under advisement until Stoll gets back to us.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, I don't think there's any department heads to report.

New Business

President Kiefer: Is there any new business?

Joe Gries: Commissioner Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

Joe Gries: I had just one piece that I think Kristin had mentioned to you earlier today.

President Kiefer: Sure, go ahead. Thank you.

Joe Gries: The County Auditor's Office has worked with the AFLAC group, who provides certain benefits to County employees.

President Kiefer: Yes.

Joe Gries: And, they have developed an open enrollment tool, it's an online tool, and they have shown that to us. It may be, open enrollment is obviously something the Commissioners control and develop each year. It may be something that we believe you would like maybe to see. It could be a tool that could help employees. It could also help the administration of open enrollment each year. We viewed the web demonstration once with them, and it might be something that they could provide, you know, a demonstration here next week, if you would like to see that. I would recommend that you have them in. If nothing else, maybe not to see a demonstration, they could also give you a detailed explanation of the process. They would provide training, they would provide information to all county employees as they go through the process. It seems to be a tool that would help all employees get through the process each year. I know insurance and benefits is always a hot topic each year as open enrollment nears. I will say this too, it's never too early to think about open enrollment and talk about those dates and times.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, then let's have them on the agenda, unless somebody has an objection. Let's put them on the agenda for next week then.

Joe Gries: I'll let them know, and would you like to see a demonstration, maybe 10-15 minutes? Or would it better be better just to have a detailed explanation and allow the Commissioners to ask questions?

President Kiefer: Oh, I think, you know, a short demonstration would be fine.

Joe Gries: Okay.

President Kiefer: Not too long. I wouldn't say the 15 minute side.

Joe Gries: The ten minute side, okay. I'll tell them that, and then the Commissioners can ask questions.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Joe Gries: Great, thank you.

President Kiefer: Thanks.

Old Business

President Kiefer: Is there any old business?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Is there any public comment? Come on up. State your name and address for the record please.

James Howell: My names is James Howell, 3015 Schlensker Road. It has been my home for 27 years. I have been in contact with Mike Wathen, Mark Cambron, Mark Abell, Mr. Stoll. He advised me that my alternative with the problem I have was to come before the Commissioners and present my situation. In 2011, on Schlensker Road, adjacent to Schlensker, there's 17 acres of farm ground. In 2011 the lessee and the owner of the property started moving dirt. They moved dirt for about three weeks at the end of, near the end of 2011, and changed the whole topography on

this 17 acres of Ag property. At the time, in 2012, after having lived there 24 years, we started experiencing serious flooding problems from Schlensker Ditch to the curve on Schlensker Road. At that time I played the phone dance, the department dance and finally got a hold of Mike Wathen, the Soil Erosion Specialist for the County. In the spring of 2013 he came out, as I had contacted him again when I had a problem. He was able to view the result of a moderate to heavy rain, and the flow of water. At that time he advised me to take pictures, videos, whatever I could do during a rain event. Obviously, easier said than done, because in the middle of the night in a lightning storm it's kind of hard to take pictures or videos. However, this spring, about a month and a half ago, I re-contacted him and we had a video and pictures of the results from a moderate rain, moderate to heavy rain. At that time Mike viewed the pictures, he said there's a definite problem, I realized that last year, and he said we need to talk to the NRCS, Mark Cambron and Mark Abell. Mike called a meeting, and I believe you have seen the video, he said, Mr. Stoll said that he would give you a heads up that I would be here to talk about the problem. So, Mike Wathen called a meeting at the NRCS office with the County Director and the Federal Director. At that time I had assumed that the work was done by the property's owners. At this meeting, the owner of the property and the lessee, the farmer that's leasing it, indicated that it was a federally funded watershed ten year program that they had instituted. At that time, during the meeting we had, the gentleman in charge of that office did not, wasn't aware of the federally funded program. At the conclusion of the meeting, which Mike Wathen presented a solution to the problem that would entail additional work, both the owner of the property and the lessee said, no, we're not going to put any money in it, we haven't up to this point, we're not going to do it in the future. So, the NRCS office did check, they found an engineered stamped drawing that reflected the project, but there was some doubt as to if the completion was to the original engineer's spec. The result, obviously, it surprised me that an impact study wasn't done on the six or seven homes on Schlensker Road that were and are directly affected. It became a problem for me as the erosion, the sheeting of the water off the field created a situation where the volunteer fire department has to avoid Schlensker, the bus drivers who use that, Schlensker Road daily have to avoid it during a heavy rain. The last three years has eroded out a concrete drive and culvert that goes into my garage area, let alone the flooding. Mike Wathen had solutions put together, but when I talked to Mr. Stoll, he said I need to come to the Commissioners and say there's a problem out here, how can we address it? Having lived there for 27 years, I've seen that whole area just blow up. When I moved out there, all that Ag property was \$1,500 to \$1,800 an acre. The taxes were minimal. Over the last 27 years, 30 subdivisions have been built. The only constant has been Schlensker Road, Petersburg Road, Browning and Boonville-New Harmony, they haven't changed a bit. No shoulders, they're a narrow farm road that's paved at best, but now we have an immense population out there. To me it's a property tax cash cow, but I don't understand how the roads have never been addressed. My ditches remain the same as they were 27 years ago. The solutions that Mike came up with, and he indicated and everybody I've talked to has indicated that here's the problem, you have to take it to the next step. That's why I'm here. I'm at the point of losing a concrete entrance that has been there, stood the time of 30 years, over the last three years. The solution would entail work on Schlensker Road to traffic the water down to the Schlensker Ditch, where it's supposed to be anyway. The County has been out three times this spring to repair the road by Schlensker Ditch, catty corner to the Niemeier's. Jeff Niemeier is a Captain on the volunteer fire department. I can see where they have to get out, but the quarter mile from the curve that I live on and the Schlensker Ditch is impassable when it rains. It's not only a hazard and it's a problem for me and my property, but it's a safety issue with the busses, with the

volunteer fire departments. I understand there's some question about the easement on Schlensker Road, where the easement starts from the center of the road out. I understand that's a problem, but I'm presenting my problem to you and saying, I don't know where the money's being used out there. That's not my problem. I know that all of a sudden it's generated a tremendous amount of traffic, and the roads still remain the same.

President Kiefer: Mr. Howell?

James Howell: Yes.

President Kiefer: First, I'll say thanks for coming out here to this public meeting and letting us know your concern. We appreciate that. I wish I had an answer for you tonight, to say, oh, hey—

James Howell: I don't expect an answer tonight.

President Kiefer: — I've got a magic bullet here that can fix it.

Commissioner Abell: What's his address? I want to look it up on Google Earth.

James Howell: 3015 Schlensker Road.

President Kiefer: 3015.

James Howell: There, like I say, Mr. Stoll indicated that he would have given you a heads up, two weeks ago to me, when he told me about this meeting, because there is a video that shows during the rain. I have a culvert that this 17 acres now drains into. It's a retention pond, and I'm repeating what the engineers and Mike Wathen...and I'll say one thing, Mike, Mark, John, they've all been very easy to deal with, very knowledgeable about the situation. They're aware of the problem, but that's all they can tell me is that they're aware of it.

Commissioner Abell: Could you come up here and show me where this is?

James Howell: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Do you two want to see this?

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Melcher: Uh-huh.

President Kiefer: We may need the County Surveyor involved in this as well.

Commissioner Abell: I'm assuming that's your house?

James Howell: That's it. I'm sorry.

Commissioner Abell: That's okay, it moves.

James Howell: My property is right here. There's a culvert right there, and this is, I go around the curve. I've got about two acres or an acre and a half to two acres.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, is this where the work was done?

James Howell: Right over here, this is where the work was done right there.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

James Howell: There's a fence line there that had a natural levee that they took down, and then they basically put a retention pond right up here. All of the water from that 17 acres sheets across this road in a heavy rain, and it floods from here, down to here, and then right here before Schlensker Ditch. I assume that's Schlensker Ditch there. There's one culvert that comes across right here. It shotguns on my property. It shoots water all the way back to this building back here and my garage.

Commissioner Abell: Is that a pond?

James Howell: That's a pond on this acreage next to me. Then Schlensker Ditch is down here.

Commissioner Abell: So, the water is flowing this way?

James Howell: Exactly. All of it's flowing through this culvert until it flows over and then sheets off of this road and then floods Schlensker from here to there and then down here again. Most of the water, as I understand it from the engineers, it's all going to the south side of the road. There's nothing flowing here. The ditches have never been touched. This right down here is a subdivision, it's Sycamore Hills, and above that is (Inaudible).

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It's my understanding John Stoll wants to come out when he gets back in town.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: To come out and take a look at it and look at the ditches again with Pat Seib, maybe even Jeff Mueller.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

James Howell: Now, Mike Wathen has surveyed from my culvert that comes across down to Schlensker Ditch, to determine if it was flat, what they could do to the ditches. They've never been touched.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That's a whole other issue, you know.

James Howell: The road issue is a general comment on my part.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Right, I understand.

James Howell: If you, I've got joggers, I've got walkers, I've got bicyclists that have some type of death wish to ride out there, because there is no room on either side of the road to go anywhere. It's an unbelievably populated area, but that, when Schlensker Road floods, the busses can't go down it, the volunteer fire department knows that it's a problem. I wasn't, I would have been in here two years ago, but I didn't know. I worked through, did my due diligence with who I was told to go to. Like

I say, they've been great. Mike Wathen is very knowledgeable about everything that has to do with soil conservation and water flow.

President Kiefer: Mr. Howell, I can tell you that we will have the County Engineer get us a report back and see what steps we can take. Jeff, I don't know if you'll be willing to take a look at this too. I know you've got a full plate.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: One thing I did hear, and I don't know if it's true or rumor, someone said that you can't undo what was done out there with the federal money. I don't know if that's true or not.

Jeff Mueller: That's a problem that I've heard through too, but, again, I don't know if that's true or not, Mr. Harrison. Mr. Stoll copied me on some e-mails on this, and I know that, you know, John's out this week. Pat and I have been trying to get together and it kind of comes down to Pat, John and I are going to try to arrange a road trip next week, because we've got a lot of issues to look at.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Jeff Mueller: We could certainly put this on our list, you know, to look at, but, it's the same old problem that you get into that somebody sits there and improves the drainage on their property and makes it great and the way they've improved it was it put the water faster on to somebody else. Which, in this case, the somebody else is some of the landowners and the ditches and the county roads. That's what the problem is.

President Kiefer: Sounds like—

Jeff Mueller: I would certainly welcome, you know, be more than happy to go out with John and Pat.

President Kiefer: Yeah, and see if there's any potential solutions that we could initiate.

Jeff Mueller: Yeah.

James Howell: Mike Wathen, like I say, is the Soil Conservation expert, and basically he said this is what has to be done. I was amazed that a federally funded program didn't have an impact study that at least the county was aware of. I'm sure their intent wasn't to wipe me out, but that's the result. It's not only me, it's the property down to McCutchan Road.

Jeff Mueller: Yeah, I know the area. Like I said, I live out in that general area, and I also know, like I said, John shot me an e-mail and just kind of gave me a heads up. We trade a lot of e-mails so that we know what's going on with each other. So, like I said, I would be more than happy to go out with them and take a look at things.

James Howell: I'm there most of the time. Like I say, Ray Charles could see that it's a problem.

Jeff Mueller: I understand.

President Kiefer: Well, thank you for this, bringing it to the county's attention, and, again, I don't have a magic bullet right now tonight, but we will look into this and we'll have further discussions.

James Howell: I understand that. My one question to you is, is this the proper channel that I have? I mean, have I done the due diligence correctly and I have to come to you with the problem?

President Kiefer: I think it's this—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think you've been talking to all the right people and you came here tonight, and that's a good start.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

James Howell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Well, now we've got to do our part on having some further exploratory on how we can solve your problem, or at least get with you to work through some of this.

James Howell: Okay, and you will follow up with me?

President Kiefer: I think John Stoll will be, the County Engineer, and perhaps Jeff, the County Surveyor, will, but somebody will be.

James Howell: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Can you leave your contact information with—

President Kiefer: Kristin.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: —Kristin right there?

James Howell: Yes.

Jeff Mueller: He signed up on the list.

James Howell: I did sign the list.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Okay, good.

James Howell: So, do you need more than that?

Madelyn Grayson: Did you put your name and contact information on that sign in sheet?

James Howell: Yes, cell phone and house phone.

Madelyn Grayson: That should be good enough then.

President Kiefer: Okay, Mr. Howell, thank you very much. Sorry for your troubles there.

James Howell: Hey, it's life. I appreciate the opportunity. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Okay, you never know what you're going to get. Unfortunately, that's not a good one.

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Madelyn, can you do the consent items?

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the July 15th meeting are as follows; we have approval of the June 17, 2014 Commission meeting minutes. The employment changes for the Commissioners approval, there are five for Burdette Park and one for the County Highway. The County Auditor has the June 2014 A/P vouchers. The County Commissioners have a transfer request for Rent, the Regional Brownfield Grant Memorandum of Agreement, change orders number 3, 4, 5 & 6 on the second floor Old Courthouse renovations, the lake maintenance and storm drainage easement agreements. The County Engineer has a notice of intent for intersection improvements at Virginia and Burkhardt Road, change order number one for VC14-01-01, the Green River Road Phase V for an increase of \$2,000, and a department head report and consent agenda. The Economic Development Coalition of Southwest Indiana has the OCRA grant project semi-annual report and the Vanderburgh County Bohannon sewer grant project financial settlement report and administrative close-out report. The County Treasurer has the May 2014 monthly report and the 2014 year-to-date investments. The County Clerk has the May 2014 monthly report. The Evansville ARC has the May 2014 report of activities. Weights and Measures has the May 16-June 15, 2014 monthly report. The County Highway has work reports for the weeks of June 9-12; June 16-19; June 23-26 and June 30th through July 3, 2014.

President Kiefer: Madelyn, before we take a motion on this, I would like to ask you, I would like the motion, whoever makes it, to exclude Roman numeral, small Roman numeral four, lake maintenance and storm drainage easement agreements. I'm wanting to abstain from that. I happen to have a listing on that particular piece of property. So, I want to abstain. So, if somebody could make the motion excluding lake maintenance and storm drainage easement agreements.

Commissioner Abell: Move to approve excluding the lake maintenance and storm drainage easement agreements.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Now, if somebody could make a motion for that lake maintenance and storm drainage easement agreements.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Thank you very much. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Abstain.

(Motion approved 2-0. Commissioner Kiefer abstained.)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

<p style="text-align: center;">Rezoning Petition VC-5-2014 Petitioner: SM Properties Darmstadt, LLC c/o The Desco Group Address: 13051 Highway 41 North Request: Change from Ag to C-4</p>
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President Kiefer: Next, moving right along to rezoning. There is a first reading of rezoning ordinance VC-5-2014. The petitioner is SM Properties Darmstadt LLC care of the Desco Group, 13051 Highway 41 North. That's going to be change from Ag to C-4. This is just first reading, so we'll move that on to Area Plan. Is there a motion to do that?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: I'll second it to bring it to the floor, but I have some questions—

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: — for Mr. Melcher, since he's going to be our representative on Area Plan.

President Kiefer: Do you want to discuss those now then?

Commissioner Abell: That would be fine. I want to know what they're going to do to this property? How big this property is before we... I don't want to vote in favor of

rezoning from Ag to C-4 and read in the paper tomorrow that Wal-Mart is going to build there and we don't know it. So, I want to know what's going in there.

Commissioner Melcher: All we vote on tonight, as you know, is moving it to Area Plan.

Commissioner Abell: I know it's going before Area Plan, I'm just telling you in a public forum what I would like for you to find out for me.

Commissioner Melcher: I looked through this three times. There's nothing in there what it's going to be or anything.

Commissioner Abell: No, there isn't. I've looked at it also.

Commissioner Melcher: I also thought there should be a special use development, and it's not in there.

President Kiefer: I think the Desco Group is Schnuck's. That's who the Desco Group is, and this is the property, if I'm right, I may be wrong on this, but I think this is the property north of where Schnuck's is wanting to build at Old Boonville Highway, I mean, not Old Boonville Highway, Boonville-New Harmony Road and 41. This is the property directly next to them. I think they're interested in it because there's a curb cut on that piece of property that would give them ingress and egress into their center. That's my speculation—

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

President Kiefer: — on who this is, but, again—

Commissioner Abell: Well, since we Commissioners aren't allowed to speak to each other outside of public forum, I wanted Mr. Melcher to know what my concerns are—

President Kiefer: Yeah, that makes sense.

Commissioner Abell: — since he's our representative on the Area Plan Commission. I am concerned what it's for. I wouldn't have known who this group is. The Desco Group to me could be the Jasper Furniture Company.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: I have no idea who it is. So, I would like to know who they are, what they're going to do and how much they're going to do with it.

President Kiefer: That sounds good. Now, I think we have a motion and a second, can we have roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I too have concerns, and I'm just voting on it only, so let the record show that, that we're voting on it just to move it to Area Plan. Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next, is there a motion to adjourn?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the June 17, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.

Transfer Request: Rent.

Regional Brownfield Grant Memorandum of Agreement.

Change Orders 3, 4, 5 & 6: OCH Second Floor Renovation Project.

Lake Maintenance and Storm Drainage Easement Agreements.

Bohannon Estates Sewer Project CDBG Grant: OCRA Semi-Annual Report,
Financial Settlement Report & Administrative Close-Out Report.

Evansville ARC: May 2014 Report of Activities.

Employment Changes:

County Highway (1)

Burdette Park (5)

Sheriff (6)

County Assessor (2)

Legal Aid (1)

DADS (1)

Public Defender (1)

Prosecutor (5)

Circuit Court (1)

Superior Court (4)

County Engineer:

IDEM Notice of Intent: Intersection Improvements at Virginia-Burkhardt.

Change Order #1: VC14-01-01: GRR, Phase V: Increase of \$2,000.

Department Head Report/Consent Agenda.

County Treasurer:

May 2014 Monthly Report.

2014 Year-to-Date Investments.

County Clerk: May 2014 Monthly Report.

Weights & Measures: May 16- June 15, 2014 Monthly Report.

County Highway: Work Reports: 6/9-6/12 & 6/16-6/19 & 6/23-6/26 & 6/30-7/3/14.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Joe Gries	Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer
Madelyn Grayson	Anne McKim	Larry Lewis
Mark Uhrin	Gary Heck	James Howell
Jeff Mueller	Others Unidentified	Members of Media

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Joe Kiefer, President

Marsha Abell, Vice President

Stephen Melcher, Member

(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)

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**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JULY 22, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 22nd day of July, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good afternoon. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for July 22nd.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would like to ask Kristin Comer to do the Pledge of Allegiance for us.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you, Kristin. I appreciate that.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Attendance please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here. Thank you.

**County Assessor: Income Works Software License Agreement &
Pictometry Changefinder Software Agreement**

President Kiefer: Under, what we're going to do is we're going to go a little bit out of order on the agenda. I would like to ask the County Assessor to step up. We're going to jump to contracts, agreements and leases and the County Assessor, Bill Fluty, has a few things.

Bill Fluty: Thank you for moving me up on the agenda. Hopefully, I won't take long if you don't have any questions.

President Kiefer: No, thank you.

Bill Fluty: I've got two things on the agenda. One is the Changefinder for Pictometry. We entered into a contract earlier this year for the flyover. I always wanted to do the Changefinder, I have enough funds to do that and then incorporated it into that right

now, which is basically an overlay of the buildings footprints, which lets us look at properties that aren't there anymore and then some that are there. Whether they're new, and we find those are the same things that have been torn down, whether it's a shed or a barn or things like that, where the individual hasn't come forward and given us an affidavit that that's no longer there so we can assess. The other one on there is Income Works, and we had a contract with them last year, and we're just entering into a contract this year with them early. It's to save us about \$7,000 and get some information now. The rest of it would be provided next year.

President Kiefer: Bill, real quick on the Pictometry. I love this, of course, I use this all the time. I was wondering, is there anywhere in the future that they'll have street view, you know? I noticed like on some forms of Google Maps and other things they have a street view.

Bill Fluty: I your Pictometry it's the overhead, and it's kind of, I would say not a street view exactly with Pictometry, it's kind of a slanted look—

President Kiefer: Right.

Bill Fluty: — and you can go around, but we do have with, we contracted out last year with Tyler with every commercial and residential property had a new picture taken last year. So, we do have a street level view of every property.

President Kiefer: On there, yeah, I noticed, that's good too.

Bill Fluty: So, we are, you know, pretty good—

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Bill Fluty: — but, you know, as those things keep coming forward, there's a lot of ways to get to different properties.

President Kiefer: Yeah to get that, well, I just thought, you know, I like just going into your site and not having to jump over to another site back and forth, but that's just a personal thing. I think your site is great and I really appreciate it.

Bill Fluty: Well, thank you.

President Kiefer: I'll ask for a motion first to approve the renewal amended Income Works software license agreement. That's the renewal license fees of \$44,000, and is to be paid 1/11/15 with the term of one year that runs 1/12/15 till 1/11/16. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Could I ask Mr. Fluty a question?

President Kiefer: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Just for the benefit of the people watching on television, would you explain what Income Works is, so they will know what we're paying for?

Bill Fluty: There's three approaches to value; cost is more of just the characteristics of that home, there's also sales, which help you get to the value of a home, and there's income, what you're going to use income and expense more for commercial. That's where they're providing, this company provides that income expense, and we're building our income expense data. Which, a lot of times you don't, that's not as forthcoming, because you get, unless you get into an appeal issue where you get the income. Actually, trying to use income and expense to actually assess on the forefront, before you use the cost. So, it's just more data to help. It's a new tool. Years ago it was all cost related and sales related. It's income too also.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Bill Fluty: Alright.

President Kiefer: Is there any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next, I would like to ask for a motion to approve the Pictometry Changefinder software agreement. The amendment to the current contract regarding County Reassessment software package upgrade for aerial photos of structures located in Vanderburgh County and the price is \$25,024.32, paid by the Assessor's Reassessment budget to cover this agreement. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, we had a first by Marsha and a second by Stephen. Is there further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Bill Fluty: Thank you. Appreciate it.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Thanks, Bill, appreciate it.

**AFLAC County Employee Supplemental Insurance
Open Enrollment Tool Presentation**

President Kiefer: I would like to go back to our regular action items. We have AFLAC county employee supplemental insurance open enrollment presentation. First I would like to ask Joe Gries, our County Auditor, to make some opening comments.

Joe Gries: Thank you, President Kiefer. This was mentioned last week during the Commissioners meeting. We have representatives from AFLAC, Cheryl Seger is here. They're going to have a presentation for the Commissioners concerning the open enrollment process, where that would be done online. This would be a change in how we would go through the process of open enrollment, and we thought this might be a tool that the Commissioners might be interested in viewing. So, also, with this presentation we are going to have someone on the phone, so this will be a little bit different giving the actual presentation, but it will be on your screens here. There may be questions, you know, obviously, the Commissioners may have as well. So, I'll let Cheryl Seger take it from there.

Cheryl Seger: Alright, thank you, Joe. Who we have on the phone is Melissa Hoefling from AFLAC headquarters. So, she's going to demonstrate, you know, how these screens can work through open enrollment here. Okay, Melissa, can you hear okay?

Melissa Hoefling: Yes, I can hear you. Thank you. Good afternoon everyone. My name is Melissa Hoefling, and I do work here at AFLAC headquarters in Columbus, Georgia, and I would like to demonstrate for you today our AFLAC At Work Enrollment System. This system is designed to enroll your employees in their core benefits, such as their major medical, and we can also enroll your employees in the AFLAC products as well. So, what I would like to do is to go through and do a demonstration for you today to show you the ease and how user friendly the enrollment system is. So, I'll go through and show you the functionality with a test employee. So, if you have any questions, feel free to do so. The first screen that you're seeing here is the welcome screen here, and we can customize it to place any messages that you would like to place here for your employees. We could also change the color scheme to match any color scheme that matches with your company. Also, at the top here we have a forms library, so, if there are any forms that the employees need to complete during open enrollment, we can load those here so they can do so. We could load videos as well. So, I'm going to go ahead and get started with an employee and show you how to enroll your employee. Here we would have the census data pre-loaded so that we can simply go in and log into that employee by clicking on to their name. What that would do is bring us to this information screen that identifies who that employee is. The information that's provided here is the social security number, you have the i.d., date of hire, location,

job classes, salary information, all the information that you would need to be provided in the system to enroll your employees and to also manage the enrollment, their benefits throughout the year. We would pre-load that data in the enrollment system for you. So, the way we enroll the employees is by simply clicking the enroll button here at the bottom of the screen. The first thing that they would come to would be just the welcome screen that we can customize as well to give them information regarding open enrollment. That can be customized for you and your messages here. Then we would move forward to get started. Now, the first thing during open enrollment that the employee would be provided to do is to go through and to confirm their personal information, that would be pre-loaded. We can lock these fields down if you don't choose the employees to have access to make the updates, or we can open these fields up so that they can make their updates in the enrollment system as well. So, we're going to go ahead and move forward. Next, they would be required to go in and confirm their dependents that will be covered in their benefits. They can add dependents and delete dependent information here as well. This information will be pre-loaded via a census file so that that information will already be provided. We simply move through the enrollment by clicking next to move forward. Now, here is where we're going to load all your benefits that you're offering for the enrollment. We have the medical, dental/vision, any core benefits that you're offering. We also have the ability to load your flexible spending account, if you have any flexible spending that you would like to load, and then we have our AFLAC products as well. Now, I'll go through and show you a couple, because the process to enroll in each of these plans, the process will be the same, and I'll show you how simple that is to enroll in each of these benefits. So, first we're going to look at the medical plan. What you can do is, even if it's your first year utilizing this enrollment system, you can provide us with the current elections that your employees are currently enrolled in, and we'll pre-load that data here. So, they'll see this message that tells them you were previously enrolled in the HMO, and your cost per pay period was \$54.31, that way the employee sees what they are currently enrolled in. Then they can click the review button here to go in to make any changes to that particular plan. So, we've loaded a video for you, because I do want you to see that the system has the functionality to load any types of benefits video, or any video messages that you would like to load. We'll go in and build out the different levels of your medical plan. We're going to pre-load the cost per pay period for each of the tiers here, employee only all the way up to employee plus family. The only thing that the employee would need to do is to click the radial button next to the plan that they wish to enroll in, and then they would click the radial button that says, "I wish to apply for this coverage", and then to move forward they would simply click next. So, once they've enrolled in that medical plan, this is where they'll go in and they would confirm all of their dependents that will be covered under that particular plan and it will give them a plan coverage level that they've enrolled in. Once we confirm the dependents to be covered, they will click next. So, as we go through, as the employees go through and enroll in each of these plans, it will bring them back to this tree to click on the next plan that they're interested in. So, here it will give them a status that they've enrolled in the employee plus family, these are your dependents that will be covered, and your cost per pay period is \$92.86. The information would also be listed here under my benefits tree, and we're going to show that there is a cost here as we enroll in the different plans. So, as your employees go through and they enroll in the plans, they'll be able to see here their pre-tax and their post-tax comps, if you do have a cafeteria plan. So, next, I want to show you just real quickly the group life plan, because I want to show you that the system does have the capability to load plans that are employer paid. So, we've loaded this information in for group life with a benefit amount, and we will show the employee here that there's no cost to them by calculating at zero dollars. So, once

they choose their life plan, then they would need to go in and confirm their beneficiaries. The system would automatically calculate those percentages out according to the selection that the employees make, by simply clicking on to these radial buttons here. They can also add beneficiaries and delete beneficiary information as well. So, once they've done that, then it will take them back to the benefits tree, then they would simply be able to go into select the next coverage that they're interested in applying for. So, as you can see, you don't have to go in any particular order. We'll just go through, at this point, and show you one of the accident plans here, so that you can see the AFLAC plans and how that process works as well. So, let's go in and click on to the accident plan here. With the AFLAC plans, what they will see is one of our brochures for that particular plan. So, they can scroll through and look at all of the information regarding the AFLAC products. Then, once they've reviewed the brochure, they would click next, and then they will come to the screen where they can go in and select to apply to that coverage as well by selecting the radial button. So, let's select the employee plus family, and I wish to apply, and we would click next and move forward. We would then confirm the dependents that would be covered under that plan, as we did with the medical. Then, we would just go through and answer all the underwriting questions that are associated with that particular coverage by clicking the radial buttons and answering the questions here. So, once they've answered those questions they would just acknowledge that information and the questions that they answered are true and they are accurate, and then we would move next to move forward. So, they would also follow that same process if they wanted to look at the critical illness, but let's just go in and decline this particular coverage so I can show you what happens if they look at a plan and they choose to decline that particular plan. So, the information is provided here with the different plan levels, but they would click the radial button that says, "I wish to decline". So, as you see all the check marks in green here for the coverages that they chose to enroll in when they decline a coverage, I wanted to show you how the system works if they do decline. What they would see would be a red "x" for that particular plan, that they choose not to enroll in that plan. It would take them, now that we've gone through all of the plans that were loaded, and it brings us to the sign and submit screen. As you can see here, it shows "pending" for those particular plans that we didn't look at. So, the employee, at this point, could go back and click on to those particular plans and take a look at it and review that information. If they say, I choose not to look at that, I'm not interested, then the only thing that they would need to do is to go at the bottom here and waive all pending. Once they've done that, it will bring them to a completed sign and submit screen. So, it shows here that we've waived all of those different coverages. So, let's go ahead and move forward and we'll wrap up this enrollment by clicking next. So, what that would do is bring us to the benefits summary. So, here is the benefits summary, and this information can be printed out for the employees. It has all their information regarding their locations, their employee i.d., their department at which they are located at, and then it has all the different plans here. It has the coverage, deductions, effective date, and the benefit amounts. A nice feature here that it also includes is the employer cost. So, this way you can show your employees how much you're contributing to their benefits. Now, this particular column can be hidden, if you choose not to show that information, but I think it's a nice feature that you can show them as well, if you choose to. Then, on page two of the benefits summary, it gives the dependent confirmation, and then it gives confirmation of the beneficiary information here, and at the bottom there's payroll deduction language that gives a total of the total cost for all of the benefits that they've elected for the enrollment. Now, when it's (Inaudible) self-service, the employees would have a pin number to sign, but if you're conducting the enrollment face to face with the AFLAC associate, they would have a toe pad or a signature

screen. So, I'm going to go ahead and sign it with my pin. I'll just click, "sign the form". Then, what happens next is it will bring us to our congratulations screen here. It gives a summary of all the different plans that the employee has enrolled in. They could go back in if they wanted to make any changes by going under the "my benefits" tab and going into any of those plans that they would like to change, those selections that they've made before they log out of the enrollment. So, that brings us to the end of the enrollment tool, but I would like to show you a little bit about the administration. It will just take me a couple of minutes, but do you have any questions about the enrollment before I show you the administration on how the reporting and the enrollment status system works?

President Kiefer: No, not at this time. So, far it seems pretty self explanatory.

Melissa Hoefling: Perfect. Okay, great. So, I'll go ahead and log in here. That will bring us back to the administrative tools. So, by clicking on to an employee, your benefits team would be able throughout the year to go in and look at the different plan coverages, or any information regarding the benefits for each of the employees. They could go in and make life event changes here. If you have an employee that goes through a divorce and they need to make a change to their benefits and remove or add a person, your administrative team would have access to do that as well. So, we also want to show you the employment status, I'm sorry, the enrollment status. So, hovering over enrollment and going down to the enrollment status, you're administrative team would be able to come here, then they'll see a pie chart that gives them percentages of employees who have not begun enrollment versus incomplete and complete. By here, you have broken down by job class, we have executive and regular, but we could load different ones as well. You can see here how many people didn't begin, or who are not eligible, all of that information is broken out in the enrollment system here. We could click on this number one for the person, to see who that person is who hasn't begun that enrollment, and it will actually give your administrative team who that person is. So, if they need to reach out to that person, or talk to that person regarding the enrollment, they know who that person is so they can reach out to them and answer any questions they may have. We can also provide this information, the breakdown of the enrollment by the plan. By clicking this radial button, you can see here all the different plans are listed, and it gives you a total of how many people have not enrolled in their medical plan, dental and so forth. Then we have pending, waived, completed, carried over and totals as well. So, by clicking on this button for the medical plan, we can actually look and see how many people have (Inaudible), or who the people are who have not enrolled in their medical plan. So, this information is provided here as well. So, it's a very great tool that I like to show the functionality of the system. Then, just one last thing, I would like to show you reporting as well. Your administrative team would have the ability to run and create, receive, schedule and send reports. We have our standard reports that are loaded. We have standard payroll reports, enrollment reports that your administrative team could utilize, or, they could also go in and create their own reports. So, all of the data that's loaded in this enrollment system, all the categories are provided here so that your administrative team could pull in information as far as PTO balances, location, departments. We have information here regarding benefits amounts coverage types. All of this information could be pulled in for your admin team to go in and create their own reports. Now, I won't run a report for you, because it takes a few minutes, but I did want to show you that the system does have that functionality. So, that's just a quick review, overview of how the enrollment system works. Do you all have any questions, or is there anything specific that I can show you about the enrollment system?

President Kiefer: Any questions? Joe?

Joe Gries: Not necessarily a question, but just maybe a comment. Basically, what this would also allow us to do is interact with our current payroll systems. We also do online uploading of changes. So, as people enroll through the system, make changes to their dental or vision coverage, we would extract that information from this system and we would be able to upload that into our carriers systems and make those changes, not only more accurately, but more easily to make sure that we get everything handled that occurs through open enrollment, you know, as the employees go through that. It's a tool that people can, you know, use at home with their families to go through all of that information. As you know, open enrollment is an important time each year, insurance changes from year to year and so those, this tool we look at as a possibility to help us administer that a little bit easier, and like I said, more accurately too. We wanted the Commissioners to see it, because the Commissioners are in charge, you know, you run the open enrollment and it's your, the county employees are part of that process. So, we wanted to make sure that you're comfortable with it as well.

Commissioner Abell: Do you have any just ball park figure of how many employees we have that have any one of the many AFLAC products?

Joe Gries: Cheryl, would you have any kind of numbers?

Commissioner Abell: I mean, I happen to know that I have one. I just didn't know—

Joe Gries: There are, I would say probably a couple hundred.

Cheryl Seger: It's a high rate of people that are participating in the AFLAC products, absolutely. Yeah, the claims status too, you know, has been high, they're using it.

President Kiefer: Okay. Thank you. Thank you, Melissa, for your presentation. Is there anything else that you want to add?

Cheryl Seger: Well, in talking to Joe...Melissa, do you have any questions for them?

Melissa Hoefling: I just wanted to add one more thing. I do want to mention to you that this system is available to you at no cost. So, there's no PEPM that's associated with this system whatsoever. So, it's just a great tool for you to utilize and capture your enrollment information in this system. After the enrollment ends we would provide you with your payroll files and your carrier files. We'll provide administrative training for your benefits team, so, we don't just deliver the system and then we're out of it. We become your contact person. My team will become your contact person. So, if you have any questions or any issues with the system throughout the year, how to run a report, whatever reason, then you would have a contact person here at AFLAC headquarters that would be here to assist you with any questions that you have.

President Kiefer: How long does it take to roll this out or implement the program?

Melissa Hoefling: I'm sorry, I couldn't hear his question, Cheryl.

Cheryl Seger: How long does it take to implement or build it? I understand it takes a couple of months to build it, is that correct?

Melissa Hoefling: Well, our standard time line is six weeks. What that encompasses is, we allow you two weeks to go through to provide us with the census file and with the benefits work group that gives us the information regarding your carriers so we can build the system for you. Then, the four weeks goes into actually building the system. Then, one week after that, before we begin the enrollment, we like to push out a test system to you, do a system walk through with you, let you test it, make sure everything is functioning properly as you require. Then, after all the tweaks are made, if we need to make any updates after testing, that allows us a little bit of time to make updates to the system before the enrollment begins. So, that is what is all included in that six weeks time line.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, thank you. I think it sounds like a good program. It's always nice to have this stuff available online for employees to use, and for administrators to use.

Cheryl Seger: Just know, you know, there will be someone like me, an agent, available too to help any of them that wouldn't get into the, you know, some people aren't–

Joe Gries: Tech savvy.

President Kiefer: Is there some type of formal action we need to take on this?

Joe Gries: Well, I'm not sure. There probably is, and I think Cheryl and I can probably put something together. The AFLAC team can provide that and we can bring that to the next meeting and have Mr. Harrison review it before that as well. One of the things that AFLAC will provide is training for employees. They, as Cheryl said, they'll be available during open enrollment to help people through the process as well. So, if there are set times that we want to set aside for employees to come and sit with them, they'll take them through the online service and help them through the process as well. So, it's not like we're just throwing everybody out and you have to do this yourself. The Auditor's office will continue to answer questions, provide information and help people through it as well, but it just is another tool for employees to use, and, hopefully, will benefit them as well.

Cheryl Seger: There are two products, in talking with Joe, just to find out, you know, if there's any gaps in the health insurance and so forth. You know, we do have a short term disability that's available to all of your employees, it just hasn't been really communicated out. This is a way that it would be right there as a selection and they could see all of the different options.

President Kiefer: Right.

Cheryl Seger: Then, also, there's like a gap for if anybody has to be in the hospital, you know, there's a deductible that has to be met. AFLAC does have a group hospital plan. If you wanted to roll that out this year, the first year it's rolled out it is guaranteed issue to all employees. So, all of your employees are guaranteed to have that coverage. It is, again, a voluntary product.

President Kiefer: Right, and I would encourage you to, when you have this, I guess, open enrollment period, when you meet with the employees, to be able to be sure to introduce those new products.

Cheryl Seger: Okay.

President Kiefer: Any other questions from Commissioners? Mr. Harrison anything? Okay, thank you very much. We appreciate you stopping by tonight.

Cheryl Seger: Thank you.

Grow Southwest Indiana Workforce Presentation

President Kiefer: Okay, moving right along. I would like to ask Grow Southwest Indiana Workforce and Work One, we have with us tonight Angie Sheppard, Jim Heck and Pam Martin. Appreciate you being here tonight. This is a good time to give us an update.

Jim Heck: Thank you. I always appreciate you giving us a little time on the agenda. Just wanted to let you know about a couple of things. We had sent out a save the date for our annual meeting, but our guest speaker, Lt. Governor Ellspermann, had to move it a week. So, you'll see we have a new save the date card here. So, on October 3rd, that's a Friday morning, at the Vincennes/Ft. Branch campus, Lt. Governor Ellspermann will be our keynote speaker. We always do awards that day. It's usually a really nice event. I think, Joe, you've been there at least once or twice. So, we hope that all of you can attend it. By law we are required to have two meetings with elected officials a year. This fulfills one of those meetings. So, please, if you're available to attend, we would like for you to attend. The next thing that I want to talk about is our Hoosier Initiative for Re-Entry, it's our HIRE acronym. It's our initiative to work with people that have a felony on their record, or are in the work release program at this point. The commissioner for workforce development had set out a goal for our region, beginning in January for the year, to place 150 of these individuals into work. At this point, Jodie Gomez, our case manager that works with them, at the end of May had placed 142 into jobs. As I talked to her at the end of June, she has placed over 160. So, she's already exceeded her goals, and probably will double them by the end of the year. This program is, right now the way placement is running at about \$9.85 an hour. It's got a retention rate right at 65 percent over 90 days. So, it's a pretty good program. You can see at the bottom of the list the number of groups we're working with. The Vanderburgh County Corrections and the Vanderburgh County Parole/Probation offices, we're working closely with them. Then you see some of the companies that we're placing them in employment. I wanted to highlight that, because it's a really good program, and I think it's worked out well for what we've done. The next one is our JAG program. We expanded that last year from three programs to eight programs. Three of those high school programs are right here in Vanderburgh County at Central, Harrison and Bosse. That program is judged on five criteria by JAG national. Those performance goals are listed at the bottom of this; graduation rate, job placement, positive outcomes, whether they go into post-secondary training or into the military or into an apprenticeship program; then total in full time jobs, and total in full time, that were placed full time. Of those five goals, our region, either reached or surpassed all five of those goals. Remember, this is a population of the most at risk of dropping out in these schools. They are, according to the people we can serve, they are lowest income level and the most likely to drop out. Our graduation rate for our region for this past year was 94.4 percent, which is really outstanding for this group of kids. I've got to say, our JAG specialists have done a great job. The last thing I want to really get into is our Brainpower group. You've been working with the I-69, or you've known the I-69 Innovation Corridor Executive Committee. They've formed this I-69 Brainpower Task Force. Some of the projects you'll see on the back of this paper that we're working with, one of them that I really want to draw your attention to is

coming on November 12th. It's the Workforce and Education Conference, where we will have Dr. James Stone, he's the Director for the National Career and Tech Ed group. He's located in Louisville at the University of Louisville. He will be our keynote speaker, but the real driving force of this conference is to bring local superintendents, principals and counselors, together with the Tri-State Manufacturing Alliance manufacturers. We'll have three manufacturers on a panel with two superintendents. One of them will be David Smith from right here at EVSC, the other one is Ms. Robinson, Mary Robinson from Perry Central. They will be on a panel with three manufacturers to talk about some of the issues that are being faced by educators and manufacturers trying to work together to get the skilled workforce that they need, and then have roundtable discussions where they will be given specific questions that come from the panelists on what are some of the issues that can be addressed at the local level with superintendents, principals and the manufacturers in their counties or in their school district. So, we hope to make those round tables split up in that manner. Then those solutions that they come up with will be taken to the Region 11 Works Council. I'm sure you're familiar with the Works Council, it's a new group that was laid out by State legislation that just started this past year, to work on the career and tech education issue and the need for better skilled workers in our workforce. That group, all of these suggestions will be given to the Indiana Works Councils, and they're the ones that make the suggestions to the Indiana Career Council, and they're the ones with money. So, that's what we're trying to get to are the ones with the money, but that's to go through the Indiana Works Council through that Indiana Career Council. I probably said enough to confuse you, but I would be glad to talk more about the Works Councils. They are very integral in what we're doing going forward with this. They'll be a big piece in what we do with career and tech ed and the Workforce going forward. So, I just wanted to bring those things to your attention, and to see if you had any other questions.

President Kiefer: Jim, this is such a great program, I mean, these are three great programs you talked about, you know, and quite impressive with the JAG Indiana. Just out of curiosity, what grade level do you start at? I mean, it's at high school, is it like Freshman year, Junior year, Senior year?

Jim Heck: Our funding only allows us to work beginning at the Sophomore year.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Jim Heck: So, we have Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors. We're working on a different funding model that maybe we can get a different funding model. We're working with some Mayors and we want to talk with some Mayors about different ways to fund them, so that we could possibly go back down into the Freshman year and start recruiting at the Freshman year, because this program seems to work. We would really like to expand it to all of our schools, we just don't have the funds to do it at this point. All of the funds that we get for JAG we put out directly to the schools. It's just a great program.

President Kiefer: Yeah, it looks like a fantastic program. I guess, Reitz High School must just be super duper. I don't see them on the—

Jim Heck: Reitz, we have to, the State gave us the statistics on what schools are—

President Kiefer: Are in need?

Jim Heck: – the most in need. Reitz was not one of them. We, the three that we went into with the EVSC, we talked with Dave Smith and Dan Ulrich, worked with them about which three they thought would benefit the most, according to the statistics that we had. So, the three that they chose are the three that we went into.

President Kiefer: Great. That's an excellent program. I appreciate you guys being here tonight. It's a really good program. I'll try to make it up there to the meeting.

Jim Heck: Great.

President Kiefer: Be sure to get that over to Kristin or Rachel so they can send it out to our Outlook calendars–

Jim Heck: Okay.

President Kiefer: –and we'll get that scheduled.

Jim Heck: We'll do that. Thank you very much. I hope you are all able to make it.

President Kiefer: Any questions from Commissioners? Thanks, Jim. Appreciate it.

Jim Heck: Thank you.

Permission to Advertise Sale of County Owned Properties
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President Kiefer: Okay, thank you, next, under Commissioners, I would like permission to advertise sale of county owned properties. Joe, do you want to speak to that please?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Kristin may be able to help as well. These are properties that have, did not sell, for the most part, at the last County Commissioner auction, or previous auctions. Is that correct?

Kristin Comer: Yes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: So, we're going to, this notice for permission to advertise would enable the county to try to sell them by soliciting bids to the Commissioners Office, essentially. So, this would be a notice that would be published in the paper, I think, three times....two times. For one reason or another these properties haven't even sold for ten dollars at the auction or the last year or prior to that time. So, it's a way to, hopefully, get rid of some of these properties. Many of them are just lots, small pieces of ground. I do not know if any of them have structures on them, but there may be one or two that might. For the most part, I think they're just lots, small lots that people didn't want to buy for any amount of money. So, if there's a motion to approve this process, then we can go forward. I think the bids have to be in when, in August? I think, the auction would actually, people could start bidding July 24th and that would continue until August 14th. At that point, no further bids will be accepted, and at the Commissioner meeting on August 15th the bids would have to be in by, I guess. Is that right?

Kristin Comer: The Commissioners would not need to be there for the bid opening on the 15th.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Okay.

Kristin Comer: But, we'll open bids in room 307 at 1:00 on the 15th.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Give me one second.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Is there a second?

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, discussion? I think this is something that we need to do to get some of these properties off of our ownership and into the tax paying citizens. So, Madelyn, if you would do roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Discussion of West Heights Trade School Property

President Kiefer: Joe, did you want, this might be a good time while we're talking about sale of county owned properties to talk about the property out there on Harmony Way.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, the county...thank you, President Kiefer, the county owns a piece of property at 1430 Harmony Way. It's the old West Heights Trade School, and has owned it for a number of years. The county did, in the past, utilize that property, but is no longer utilizing the property. It appears that it would be a good property to get off the county's hands. The county is paying utility costs for it. It was owned by the School Corp. for many years and was given to the, deeded over to the county, I'm not even sure the county paid anything for it. I don't recall. I don't think so, but anyway, the county could realize a substantial sum of money off the sale of this property. It wasn't acquired at tax sale, so we wouldn't have to go through the County Commissioner auction, but it's one where I think it may be prudent to obtain two appraisals on the property, and maybe hire an auctioneer to market and sell the

property at a minimum bid, which would be the minimum of the two appraisals. You know, two appraisals, add them up, divide by two and that would be the minimum amount that the Commissioners may want to attempt to sell the property at. My first recommendation would be to—

Gary Heck: Is EMA still storing stuff there?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, EMA is not.

Gary Heck: So, it's not the one where the garage is? Because the Health Department has trailers stored there.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I have—

President Kiefer: Just for the record, if you want to come up and say something.

Gary Heck: I apologize. This is Gary Heck with the Vanderburgh County Health Department. If it's the old buildings trade on Harmony Way, the EMA had a storage facility there and the Health Department has trailers stored in the garage portion of it. Now, there was a building in the back and there was training area in the back as well.

Commissioner Abell: What's the address there?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: 1430 New Harmony Way. If the Health Department has anything there, they're probably going to have to get it out, if that's what the Commissioners want to do.

Gary Heck: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: EMA apparently has moved their stuff out. Is that right, Kristin?

Kristin Comer: Yes.

Gary Heck: This was news to me, that's the only reason—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, it's news to them.

Gary Heck: — I will find out. Okay. Because we have a key to there and we have four trailers stored there, plus a bunch of other equipment.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: This isn't anything that's going to happen tomorrow, but they have to go through the process and get the property appraised and figure out if they even want to auction it off. They can't even do that unless they get appraisals.

Gary Heck: I understand. I just, I'm not sure where we'll store the other equipment, but we will find a way to do that. I just wanted to be sure we were talking about the same place.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Sure.

Gary Heck: I didn't mean to interrupt.

President Kiefer: Like Mr. Harrison said, I mean, this is not an overnight process.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No.

President Kiefer: I mean, I think it's prudent for us to proceed with getting two appraisals. I would like to ask for a motion for Mr. Harrison to proceed in us seeking to get at least two appraisals, so that we know the value of the property.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Gries, do you know how, do you happen to know how much space....does anybody know how many acres we've got?

Joe Gries: Oh, I don't know that. We could find that out and provide that to the Commissioners.

President Kiefer: It appeared, from just looking at the Assessor's office, to be a pretty substantial size property.

Gary Heck: I want to say it's about ten, because there's a wooded area back behind the building where it goes back as well.

President Kiefer: Right, and I could see that on the Assessor's webpage. It's pretty substantial. Of course, the appraisal will detail out everything for us as well.

Commissioner Melcher: Isn't this the old White School? What was it called, White School or something?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I don't know. I just knew it as West Heights Trade School.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I don't know when it closed.

President Kiefer: It may have been acquired from the old, before the EVSC consolidated maybe.

Gary Heck: It was the first buildings trade school built for the EVSC system. The EMA got it about three or four years ago, I want to say they've had it. The School Corporation didn't use it for about two years prior to that, but they had maintained it and kept everything up on that.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: But, it's in the county's name. EMA, I think--

President Kiefer: The Board of County Commissioners.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, EMA may have--

Gary Heck: Yeah, I've got some information on it that I can e-mail you that has--

President Kiefer: Sure, that would be great.

Gary Heck: -- information.

President Kiefer: I would be glad to, I'm glad to go out there and take a look at the property as well. Well, we have a motion and a second. Is there further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you. Gary, feel free, we can get together, you know, maybe we can go out there and look at the property. That would be fine with me.

Gary Heck: Well, unless they've changed the locks, we still have a key to get in and the alarm code.

President Kiefer: There you go.

Gary Heck: I would be happy to.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you very much.

**Health Dept: MOU with USI: Clinical Education Agreement
Health Dept: WIC Grant Agreement Amendment
Burdette Park: Kaskaskia Agreement for Phase 1 Campground Design
Circuit Court: Adult Probation Home Verification: Mike Robinson**

President Kiefer: Well, I guess, since you're up here, Gary, it looks like under contracts, agreements and leases, the Health Department.

Gary Heck: Thank you. We have two of them for your consideration tonight. One of them is an MOU with the University of Southern Indiana, which would extend the clinical learning affiliation agreement. This is something similar to what you did at your last meeting for U of E, for nursing students where they come to the Health Department to get their public health clinical experience. We would ask that you approve it for us so we can continue to build nursing students into the future.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you. Next is the amendment number one to the WIC A70-4-0705396 grant.

Gary Heck: We received notice a few weeks ago that there was a, we were eligible for a five percent increase to this year's WIC grant for personnel related issues, that totaled \$29,619.17. We received the amendment agreement from the State this morning, and processed it and got it through to you, and would request your approval to get this one taken care of for us as well. That money needs to be spent between now and the end of September.

President Kiefer: Specifically, this says \$29,619.17, making the total grant amount \$675,323.84.

Gary Heck: That's right. The five percent increase with the \$29,000, and that will bring this year's total to that amount.

President Kiefer: Correct. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Is there a second?

Commissioner Melcher: I'll second it.

President Kiefer: Discussion? Questions? Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Gary Heck: Thank you so much.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Next is Burdette Park campground expansion phase one proposal. Design planning and project development services in connection with the initial expansion, phase one of the Burdette Park campground area. The initial phase of the project is to include the addition of between eight to 15 full service camps, along with sanitary sewer lines and other utilities. Project services are not exceed the sum of \$22,500. The work is to be completed within 90 days of notice to proceed. It is the intent of such project to bid out before the end of this year. Is that all correct?

Steve Craig: You pretty well got it all.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Steve Craig: The sites could go up to 19 full sites before we're done, if it works out properly.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Steve Craig: It's kind of flexible right now. We're putting a new sewer line in with a pump station.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Steve Craig: But, it's all correct.

President Kiefer: It sounds like a great project. I see you have the engineer here along with you. I think this is good. I'm excited. Any questions from the Commissioners? Is there, I guess, we need a motion to approve moving this ahead or what?

Commissioner Abell: I did have one question. Have you talked to the Council about us having these available for longer than a short period of time.

Steve Craig: We have redone our contract and that, and the way that we put it, they're allowed to stay for two months, as they always have, but we have the option of renewing it at the end of the two months. Before, the person would have to—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It's the county's option.

Steve Craig: Yeah, it's our option that the person can stay another two months if they would like to do so. Before, they had to leave for two weeks before they could come back. This prevented us from having these people that may be working on the projects like we're looking at, that they would want to stay, because they would have to end up loading everything up and moving somewhere else for the two weeks. If we have somebody that's working in the local trades and that, that we give them the option, and, as long as everything has been good with us, then we have the option of letting them stay an extra two months.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, good.

President Kiefer: Okay, so—

Commissioner Melcher: So, that would be approved on by you?

Steve Craig: Pardon me?

Commissioner Melcher: Would that be approved on by you at Burdette?

Steve Craig: It would be the Campground Manager and the management of the park, yes.

President Kiefer: So, what we're voting on now tonight is a contract for the design services?

Steve Craig: Yes, sir.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: With Kaskaskia.

President Kiefer: Yeah, with Kaskaskia. So, I guess, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, Commissioner Abell moved, Commissioner Melcher seconded. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much.

Steve Craig: Thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Congratulations.

Steve Craig: Look forward to it.

President Kiefer: It's always exciting to go out to Burdette Park. There's always something new and exciting going on out there. It's just beautiful this time of year for anybody that hasn't been out there. It's just absolutely gorgeous.

Steve Craig: Well, I appreciate that.

President Kiefer: Thanks.

Steve Craig: Thank you very much.

Commissioner Abell: Thanks, Steve.

President Kiefer: Circuit Court Adult Probation home verification officer agreement with Mike Robinson. This is to provide security services on home verification visits concerning those on probation. The agreement runs from 7/15/14 through 12/31/14. Mr. Robinson will be paid \$30 an hour for his independent contract services. Thank you for being here.

Karen Angermeier: Karen Angermeier with Circuit Court Adult Probation. We currently have four deputies under contract to perform these home verifications. We're just asking to add Sheriff Deputy Mike Robinson to the rotation, because we've had some scheduling conflicts with the four. That's simply we're asking to add a fifth one to that rotation.

President Kiefer: This is for people that, you know, do they normally have like an ankle bracelet or something?

Karen Angermeier: No, these are people strictly on standard probation and drug and alcohol probation.

President Kiefer: Okay, standard probation. So, they don't—

Karen Angermeier: We do home verifications.

President Kiefer: — that's why they need to go verify that, okay. That makes sense to me.

Commissioner Abell: This isn't increasing your cost any? You're just using more people to spread it out, right?

Karen Angermeier: Yes. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: That's easy enough. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, we have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much. We've already done the County Assessor, so department head reports.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: John Stoll, I know you had a couple of things. I saw the e-mail earlier.

John Stoll: Yeah, the first thing I have is a request to award the concrete repair of Chastain Drive to Rivertown Construction. The contract amount is \$78,991. They were the low bidder on the project.

President Kiefer: Right, I remember opening those bids up last week. So, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Then, the second item is a street plan approval request for Section Four of Carrington Meadows Subdivision. This is a revision of some plans that you approved in May. What the developer and the consultant did was, they adjusted some lot lines, made some lots bigger, so they ended up shortening the streets. Other than that, the layout is virtually identical. I've reviewed the plans and I would recommend approval.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: That's all I have.

President Kiefer: Thank you, John. Appreciate that.

Commissioner Abell: Wait a minute, whoa, whoa, whoa. I've been out there, I don't know, have you, Commissioner Melcher, Commissioner Kiefer, have you been on Green River Road?

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: I've been out there, but could you give us just a little quick update as to how it's going. I don't mean the new part, I mean the repair part.

John Stoll: The other half of the north approach of the Pigeon Creek bridge was poured last Friday. I believe, I can't remember the exact schedule, but I believe they expected to have all of the concrete work done by the end of this week, and then begin the asphalt work next week. They were going to complete the west half of the road in its entirety on the asphalt work in the vicinity of the bridge approach. Unlike the east half where they did some initial paving, but they're going to have to come back and do some more paving. All in all the schedule still calls for all the work to be done in August, by, I think it's mid August.

President Kiefer: Does the Engineer—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It's September 1st, isn't it?

John Stoll: Well, based on the current schedule that the contractor has given us—

President Kiefer: Does Kent have any comments he wants to make on his work? None? Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I think everybody has been out there.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Melcher: I think they get more traffic on it now.

President Kiefer: Thank you, John. Are there any other department head reports?

New Business

President Kiefer: Any new business?

Old Business

President Kiefer: Okay, we're going to jump right in to old business then. Request to file eviction complaint against occupant of county owned property at 1415 Parrett Street. I think, where we left this off last week, Mr. Harrison was going to check to see the legality of leasing to Mr. Lewis, who currently resides there. Joe, you had some findings on that. Would you like to share that?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes. Unfortunately, there's a statute right on point here in Indiana, which prohibits the county from leasing that property to you, or your wife, or any agent on your behalf. It even goes on to say it can't sell it to you, Mr. Lewis, your wife or any agent on your behalf. The statute cite is IC36-1-11-16. So, unfortunately, the only thing the county can do at this point would be to follow my recommendation to file an eviction action, or you can voluntarily leave the premises, but I would ask for a motion to permit the filing of an eviction action regarding Mr. Lewis and any other occupants at 1415 Parrett Street.

President Kiefer: Again, Mr. Lewis, apologize for that, but, you know, we do have to follow the letter of the law and we can't get ourselves in trouble in this. So, we're going to have to likely proceed with this. Are there any comments from Commissioners?

Commissioner Melcher: I have none.

President Kiefer: Okay, well then, before I make a motion, Mr. Lewis, is there any comments you wanted to make?

Larry Lewis: Thank you for taking the time to look at different considerations. If you could e-mail me possibly, and you have my e-mail address, just that statute. I am curious about, I understand myself and even someone acting on their own as my agent, it has to be—

President Kiefer: That's fair enough. Mr. Harrison can, or Kristin—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I'll give you a copy of it. How about that?

Larry Lewis: That would be perfect.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I've got a copy right here. There you go.

Larry Lewis: No, from the beginning, I accept full responsibility for getting myself into that sad chapter of my life that brought us all here. My apologies for all of your involvement. I know it all started off to try to do something with good intentions, and if there was a way that you can keep that kind of heart going in your government decisions, that's wonderful. I appreciate now the time, and, I guess, Joe will be sending me the standard.

President Kiefer: Here it is. Again, Mr. Lewis, sorry we couldn't accommodate or help in a way that would have been beneficial to both you and the county, but, I think it's fairly clear that we need to proceed.

Larry Lewis: Even with the auction....do I need to be back on the mic?

Madelyn Grayson: Yes.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Larry Lewis: With the auction coming up by mid August, that at least alleviates one of my concerns.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That is not a part of, your property is not, or your old property is not on this auction we were just talking about earlier.

Larry Lewis: Okay, I was just hoping...once I'm out, and you'll have the eviction papers sent to my address?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes.

Larry Lewis: Just once we're out, please take a look at the house. It just really needs some love and something on the roof. If the auction is not going to be in August, if it's going to be later—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think the auction is going to be the end of September or the beginning of October.

Larry Lewis: Yeah, it doesn't need to sit there just empty without somebody at least putting a tarp on the roof or something. Thank you all for your time and consideration.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Mr. Lewis. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: There's a first.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there any further discussion? Madelyn, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: So, that's something we're going to have to move ahead with. It's unfortunate, but it's just something we have to do because that's State law.

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Is there public comment? Okay, seeing none.

Consent Items

President Kiefer: I would like to ask Madelyn to do the consent items.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the July 22nd meeting are as follows; we have approval of the July 15, 2014 Commission meeting minutes; the County Commissioners have a quit claim deed for 208 W. Virginia to ECHO, a notice to abutting owners for 622 Greendale Dr, 1022 Keller Street, and 216 North Garvin. We have employment changes for the Commissioners approval, there's one for the Health Department. The County Auditor has a statement of salaries and wages. The County Engineer has a department head report and consent agenda. Weights and Measures has the June 16th through July 15, 2014 report. The County Clerk and County Treasurer have the June 2014 monthly report. The Highway Department has a work report for July 7-10, 2015.¹

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Is there a motion to approve the consent items?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: With that, I would like to ask for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

¹Should be 2014.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the July 15, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.

Quit Claim Deed for 208 W. Virginia to ECHO.

Notice to Abutting Owners: 622 Greendale Dr, 1022 Keller St, 216 N. Garvin.

Employment Changes:

Health Dept. (1)

County Clerk (3)

Public Defender (2)

Circuit Court (1)

Superior Court (6)

County Auditor: Statement of Salaries and Wages.

County Engineer: Department Head Report/Consent Agenda.

Weights & Measures: June 16- July 15, 2014.

County Clerk & County Treasurer: June 2014 Monthly Report.

County Highway: Work Report: July 7-10, 2014.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer

Marsha Abell

Stephen Melcher

Joe Gries

Joe Harrison, Jr.

Kristin Comer

Madelyn Grayson

Cheryl Seger

Melissa Hoefling

Jim Heck

Gary Heck

Bill Fluty

Steve Craig

Karen Angermeier

John Stoll

Larry Lewis

Others Unidentified

Members of Media

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Marsha Abell, Vice President

Stephen Melcher, Member

(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)

**VANDERBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AUGUST 12, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 12th day of August, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good afternoon. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners meeting for August 12, 2014.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would like to ask Commissioner Abell to lead us in the Pledge.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Attendance please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here. Thank you.

West Terrace 4K for Kids: Road Race Road Closure Request

President Kiefer: Under action items, we have a road race request, West Terrace 4K for Kids. Becky Massie will be here, should be here. Come on up. Just state your name and address for the record.

Becky Massie: Okay. My name is Becky Massie. Do you want my home address?

President Kiefer: Sure.

Becky Massie: It's 401 Key West Drive, Evansville.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Do you just want to tell us about your request?

Becky Massie: I'm just here representing West Terrace PTA. This will be the sixth year we're sponsoring 4K for Kids. It's just a 4K run around the area of the school. We're just requesting a road closure for that race.

President Kiefer: Okay, and I think the Sheriff has reviewed this?

Dave Wedding: Yeah.

President Kiefer: And everything is okay?

Dave Wedding: It's fine.

President Kiefer: Okay. It's on September 13th?

Becky Massie: Yes, September 13th.

President Kiefer: Okay, are there questions from Commissioners?

Commissioner Melcher: No, I make a motion to approve it.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

President Kiefer: Opposed? None, so you're approved.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Becky Massie: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

DNK Presents, LLC/Blood Moon Run: Road Race Road Closure Request

President Kiefer: Next is road race request DNK Presents, LLC/Blood Moon Run. Danielle Wolter will be, is here, I think. Just state your name and address please.

Danielle Wolter: Sure, Danielle Wolter, and I live at 5861 Haverford Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana 46220.

President Kiefer: Okay, and you guys have a road race, and what's the date on it?

Danielle Wolter: October 4th.

President Kiefer: October 4th, and, I think, the Sheriff's approved this already.

Dave Wedding: I don't know if we've approved that one or not.

President Kiefer: You haven't looked at this one yet?

Danielle Wolter: I've spoken to the Sheriff that does all of the security at Burdette Park, Rob Lutz.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Danielle Wolter: He's going to have three deputies. I've e-mailed him.

President Kiefer: Okay, I think, Steve, this is the one that's being held at Burdette, right?

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, that's what I'm thinking.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Some of it is out in the streets, I think, a little bit.

Danielle Wolter: Yeah, part of it will be on—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Broadway, some of those streets.

Danielle Wolter: Nurrenbern.

Steve Craig: Yes, this is, it's going to be, I think, identical to where the St. Jude's was—

Danielle Wolter: The Hope Run—

Steve Craig: Yeah, the Give Hope Run, but this is not the one with USI.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Steve Craig: This is a different one. You're out of Indianapolis, I think, Gerry said.

Danielle Wolter: Uh-huh.

Steve Craig: I think the profits are going to Burdette?

Danielle Wolter: Correct.

Steve Craig: But, she had contacted Joe, or Rob Lutz, he's the head of my security, as Sheriff, and he's got three people lined up for that. I just asked Dave, and they had not talked.

President Kiefer: Can we approve this pending the Sheriff's review and acceptance of it?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, or we can do it next week. I mean, there's a Commissioner meeting next week. You will not need to be here, necessarily, unless the Commissioners would want you here.

President Kiefer: No, I mean, you don't need to drive back down from Indianapolis.

Danielle Wolter: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Your request does say point of contact is Lt. Rob Lutz, three deputies will be on duty to block off all intersections of the Nurrenbern Road from 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. This is one of those races that is going to be at night, I suppose, which makes it a little different. So, it's up to the Commissioners, obviously, but it may be that you might want to look at it.

President Kiefer: I mean, if we could approve it pending the Sheriff's okay. I mean, obviously if the Sheriff comes back and says, no, this is not going to work out for whatever reason, then that would negate what we're wanting to approve. I don't know, is that okay, can we do it that way?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Sure. Is the Sheriff okay with that? Okay, he's nodding yes.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I think that's the best way to go too, that way she understands when she leaves that it's okay, except for that part.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: If there's an issue, after they vote, if there's an issue then they'll get back with you and things will have to be addressed.

Steve Craig: We'll get back with her one way or another.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Sure.

Steve Craig: Yes or no, if there's something that he would want done, we would get back with them and tell them what kind of adjustments they would need to make. But, if it's fine with Dave as Rob's got it set up, then we'll just call and tell them it's all good.

President Kiefer: Okay, so, I'm asking for a motion to approve subject to the Sheriff's approval and review.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

President Kiefer: Opposed? None.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, so as long as you get together with the Sheriff's Office, you're good to go.

Danielle Wolter: Okay.

President Kiefer: Just get everything worked out.

Danielle Wolter: Thank you.

Commissioner Melcher: And, Steve, when this comes up again, like another race that's going to be through the park and on the roads, get the Sheriff involved. You know, even the local, your guy did, you need to make sure it's okay by the time it gets to us.

Steve Craig: Yes, sir.

President Kiefer: Thank you very much.

**First Reading of Vacation Ordinance CO.V-09-14-002:
Vacation of PUE at 5627 Gabes Drive**

President Kiefer: We have first reading of vacation ordinance CO.V-09-14-002, and permission to advertise notice of public hearing. So, we need a motion to approve first reading of vacation ordinance CO.V-09-14-002, vacation of PUE at 5627 Gabe's Drive. Is there a motion?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay. Any discussion? This is just first reading. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

**Permission to Advertise Notice of Public Hearing:
Vacation Ordinance CO.V-09-14-002: PUE at 5627 Gabes Drive**

President Kiefer: A motion to schedule public hearing for this vacation request for Tuesday, September 16, 2014 and advertise notice of public hearing on Friday, August 15th. Is there a motion to that effect?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Final reading of the ordinance will be after the public hearing on September 16, 2014.

<p>First Reading of Ordinance CO.08-14-003: Amendment to Ch. 3.20.080: Burdette Park Revolving Fund</p>
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President Kiefer: Okay, next is a first reading of CO.08-14-003, amendment to Burdette Park Revolving Fund. This amendment will allow the Revolving Fund to be used for any Burdette Park purpose, with the approval by the Board of Commissioners, rather than being limited to purchase of items for the concession stand, float stand and gift shop at Burdette Park. Is there discussion or questions?

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for approval to get it to the floor, but I would like to have Mr. Craig come to the mic.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

President Kiefer: We've got a first.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll second it.

President Kiefer: Okay, then under further discussion, Steve, if you could come up. Steve, I think—

Commissioner Abell: Do you have something, is there some particular reason you wanted to do it this way? Or, are you just wanting to be able to control these funds? Do you have something in your mind that you're going to use this for, I guess?

Steve Craig: No, I think it's a great idea. It leaves more, I guess, power to the Commissioners to use the money, you know, at Burdette, than to have it given back, and then us go back to get money that we had already returned. I just thought it was a good idea.

President Kiefer: So, it gives the Commissioners more flexibility to be able to spend some of these funds—

Commissioner Abell: Does Council know—

President Kiefer: – for Burdette Park.

Commissioner Abell: Have you talked to Council at all?

Steve Craig: Pardon me?

Commissioner Abell: Have you talked to Council at all about this?

Steve Craig: No.

Commissioner Abell: No? Okay.

President Kiefer: No.

Commissioner Abell: I just wanted to know. I'm just asking.

Steve Craig: I didn't know.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, okay.

President Kiefer: I think it's a good idea to be able to do this, because it will give us some flexibility to spend money for the improvement of Burdette Park. So, with that I'll ask for a motion to approve. Oh, we already....never mind, we already got a first and a second. So, with that I'll ask for roll call, unless there's further discussion.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Will we have final reading next week?

President Kiefer: Yeah, so, the final reading will be at the next County Commissioners meeting, right?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Next Tuesday.

President Kiefer: Next Tuesday, okay.

Commissioner Abell: Thanks.

Steve Craig: Thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Thanks.

Health Dept: PHEP Grant Agreement
Health Dept: MCH Grant Agreement
EMA: 2013 EMPG Grant Agreement
Purchasing: Altstadt Office City Paper Agreement Extension
Auditor: AFLAC Enrollment Services Authorization (Deferred)

President Kiefer: Under contracts, agreements and leases, Health Department grant agreement for Public Health Emergency Preparedness, for the sum of \$22,671 for use by County Health Department for public health preparedness capabilities. The agreement runs from 7/1/14 through 6/30/15. Is there anything else?

Gary Heck: Gary Heck, Vanderburgh County Health Department. This is another annual grant that we've had for the past several years, and it allows us to continue to work on building up the capacities for the Health Department to respond should a public health emergency arise. So, we would just encourage your approval of this grant.

President Kiefer: How has it been working out?

Gary Heck: It's been working out great. We've been able to, most of the grants have been deliverables, where we've had to deliver a project in return for their certain dollar amount of money.

President Kiefer: Right.

Gary Heck: But, we've been able to purchase equipment for use, trailers, barricades, generators, portable generators, things of that nature.

President Kiefer: Some of that I saw out on Harmony Way.

Gary Heck: Yes, it's all in the building that's there.

President Kiefer: Yeah, thanks for bringing that to our attention, but, yeah, I went out there, along with Kristin Comer and we saw much of what you have out there. It looks good.

Gary Heck: There's four trailers and there's a locked storage area that most of the other equipment is stored in.

President Kiefer: Okay, no, that sounds good. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, that's good use of money. Next is the grant agreement A70-4-069691 MCH for the sum of \$100,000, for the purpose of improving high risk pregnancy situations. It runs from 10/1/14 through 9/30/15.

Gary Heck: Yes, this is an extension of a continuation of a grant that we received last year. It's the Maternal Child Health grant, and we have, this helps fund a community health worker and an outreach nurse. They go out into the community and work with families who are pregnant and expecting a child and they work with them through their prenatal periods and get them into other community resources that are there, so that there's good pregnancy outcomes.

President Kiefer: What is the success of this program?

Gary Heck: Well, we have improved health for those people who participate in it.

President Kiefer: Okay, so, you feel like it's been positive?

Gary Heck: It has been positive, yes, sir.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Gary Heck: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Next is the Emergency Management Agency 2013 EMPG Indiana Department of Homeland Security sub-grant agreement regarding funding in the sum of \$121,314, to be provided to the Emergency Management Agency for a period

of one year. Cliff, thank you for the nice tour you gave the other day, appreciate that. Do you want to tell us a little bit about this.

Cliff Weaver: My name is Cliff Weaver. I'm the Director of Emergency Management. This grant is actually a reimbursement grant. So, this is money that you will be getting back. This is money that has already been spent, and this is a reimbursement. So, as soon as we get the executable paperwork done, this money comes back to the county.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: Yeah, I'll be glad to approve this one.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Now the County Council can say we did our part and got money back. So, I vote yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: I'll vote yes as well. Thank you.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Cliff Weaver: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Appreciate it, Cliff. Purchasing, extension of contract with Altstadt Office City for paper. This will extend the current copy paper agreement through December 31, 2014. The current contract ended in July. EVSC and the City of Evansville have executed a similar extension agreement with Altstadt. Anything in addition to that?

Debbie Spalding: I'm Debbie Spalding with the Purchasing Department. We did ask the vendor if they could extend that for an entire year, and due to paper prices changing quite often from the mills, they weren't able to do an entire year, but they said they could extend the pricing until the end of this year.

President Kiefer: Okay, so that's good. So, how much money are you saving us?

Debbie Spalding: Well, our, we have a pretty good price. We are saving from the last time that we did this bid, for an 8 ½ " X 11" case of paper is \$28. That's a pretty good price. I think we were paying \$32 in our previous contract over a year ago.

President Kiefer: Thanks. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Debbie Spalding: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Debbie.

Commissioner Abell: Debbie, I have a question. Do you have a handle on how much paper we go through?

Debbie Spalding: Too much.

Commissioner Abell: I agree.

Debbie Spalding: Actually, we could look at the volumes. We have, the vendor had given us totals from the past year. So, if you would like to see that, I could pull that out for you for the county.

Commissioner Abell: I just would be curious as to how much paper, because it just seems like we go through a monumental amount of paper here.

Debbie Spalding: Yes, we do.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

Debbie Spalding: Okay.

President Kiefer: Okay, next is the County Auditor, AFLAC enrollment services and solution data collection authorization. This will allow AFLAC to proceed with open enrollment so they can offer additional benefits to Vanderburgh County employees. I would like to just ask to hold this until next week, if we can. I talked to Auditor, Joe Gries, about that, and he's okay with that.

Commissioner Abell: Would you like a motion to table?

President Kiefer: Yes, thank you.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Department head reports.

John Stoll: John Stoll, County Engineer. I've got two items this evening. The first is an agreement between Vanderburgh County and INDOT for the bridge inspection. This is the agreement that says that INDOT will provide the 80 percent federal share on the project cost. The federal share is \$208,480, and the county's share is \$52,120. The County Attorney has reviewed the agreement and he found it acceptable. So, I would recommend that the agreement be signed.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Further discussion? Questions? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: The second item I have is a time extension request from Ragle, Incorporated for the Old Boonville Highway bridge project. There were two utility conflicts out there. One was a gas main, and one was a water main. Ragle is asking for an additional ten days, which would extend the completion date to August 29th. Since those utility conflicts were unforeseen, I would recommend approval of their request.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any questions? Discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: That's all I had this evening. Thanks.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Stoll? How is progress on Green River Road? I did get some, a couple of e-mails from some residents out there who are concerned that the washboard effect was not being addressed yet. I'm assuming that that's because they're still working on the bridges and they haven't gotten to the in ones?

John Stoll: They have done the outside lanes. The inside lanes have not been completed as of yet. So, the milling and paving was done, last week, on both northbound and southbound outside lanes, and they are supposed to close the inside lanes on Thursday for milling, and then paving on Friday.

Commissioner Abell: What about the complaints about, that I read in the newspaper, about someone who's bent their wheel hitting a dip that they thought was much more than just a small bump. Has that been taken care of?

John Stoll: The people that contacted our office had been notified to contact the County Attorney's office, as far as the....I'm sorry, Joe Harrison is going to send those people the Tort claim paperwork, so that way they can file the claim, and then take it from there. The county's insurance will evaluate it, and determine if the county is going to pay, or if it's going to be referred to the contractor.

Commissioner Abell: It's going to the contractor, I hope, because it's the contractor's fault.

John Stoll: Right.

Commissioner Abell: It's the contractor's fault from like three years ago, but it's been fixed now? I mean, you can ride on it without tearing up your wheels now?

John Stoll: Yes, the milled areas last week have been paved.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

John Stoll: There will be more of that, but the lanes will be closed from the start. Last week they tried to do it with the lanes remaining open, and that's what led to the problem.

Commissioner Abell: Now, I don't see a problem with closing the lanes, because Oak Hill Road is open now, and if you don't want to drive on Green River, you can go over to Oak Hill. It's not like it was, you know, before when Oak Hill was being worked on at the same time.

John Stoll: Right. Hopefully, with the lanes being closed from the start we won't have those problems with the complaints about people getting vehicle damage this time around.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. I assume you're happy with the progress as it's going right now?

John Stoll: So far, yes.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, thank you.

John Stoll: Sure.

President Kiefer: Thank you, John.

New Business

President Kiefer: Is there any new business?

Old Business

President Kiefer: Old business?

Commissioner Abell: I guess, this is old business. The city has now received their grant, their notice that they're going to get that money for demolition of those houses. I think it's time for us to put together our list of the houses that we own, that's on their list to demolition, and let's vote on getting it transferred over to their ownership.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think they've got the list.

Commissioner Abell: Well, I know they've got the list of what they want to demolish, and we've got a list of what we own. I think it's time for us to find the houses that are on our list and their list both and get those in their name.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: And, I've requested that. We're waiting on the deeds.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, so the deeds are being prepared?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: Is there a time frame? Do you know yet?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I didn't get a response in the last couple of days.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: ASAP would be nice.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: The sooner the better.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

Commissioner Melcher: That's why I wanted a date.

Commissioner Abell: Let's get them out of our name and get them over to the city.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Sure.

President Kiefer: Sounds like a good idea. Thank you.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I've asked.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Commissioner Abell. That's a good point.

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Under public comment, I see we have some folks from Colonial who wanted to make a few....were you wanting to make a few, you've got a few minutes and get up, Kentucky Yarling come on up. Actually it's Ky Yarling.

Ky Yarling: Thanks. We can kind of do it together, I guess?

President Kiefer: Yes, and Ruth.

Ky Yarling: I'm Ky Yarling.

Ruth Plant: I'm Ruth Plant.

Ky Yarling: We work out of the Indianapolis office for Colonial Life at 2345 South Lynhurst Drive in Indianapolis, Indiana. Ruth is going to pass out, I don't know for sure who all wants...I know the Commissioners and Joe Gries, and Mr. Attorney, I don't if you're interested in having any of this information or not, sometimes County Attorneys do and sometimes they don't. Just real quick update on who we are and why we're here. We'd met with Joe Gries here recently, in light of looking at benefit changes that the county might be going through, some improvements and where you're headed maybe into the future. Colonial is not new to Vanderburgh County. In fact, we've been a vendor here since 1966. Ruth and I both are veterans with Colonial, so we go back quite a ways here in southern Indiana, and also with Vanderburgh County. In fact, I assisted and helped put in Vanderburgh County's first Section 125 pre-tax plan, cafeteria plan, back with Sam Humphrey many years ago. So, we would like to bring you guys up to date on where we're at now, and before you, you know, make final decisions going forward with who you have do what in the area of benefits, we would just like for you to get to know a little bit about what other

options you might have. Okay? Because there are other companies out there, there are other services, there are other processes that you might be able to take advantage of.

President Kiefer: Ky, what are specifically are you guys requesting of the Commissioners today? What is your specific request?

Ky Yarling: To get to know what we can provide for you as a partner a little bit better. I know, we probably can't all be done here at this one time, at this one meeting. Also, then to let you know that there are another, there is another opportunity here, or another option other than, you know, where you're currently at with your current provider. Okay? In the way of helping to communicate benefits and helping you to have a current and up to date enrollment system, benefit enrollment system. Okay?

President Kiefer: Okay.

Ky Yarling: There are several, there are more than one voluntary benefit provider here. Colonial does provide voluntary benefits to the employees, just like AFLAC and some other companies. Under Section 125, that's the pre-tax plan, whereby the county owns that pre-tax plan, and employees have the opportunity to have some of their qualified deductions come out pre-tax. Joe, are you currently, do you have a flexible spending account program in place now?

Joe Gries: You would have to describe to me what that is.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Joe Gries: I'm not sure what the flexible spending account is?

Ky Yarling: Where employees—

President Kiefer: No, I don't think we have....for health insurance.

Ky Yarling: — can pay for—

President Kiefer: Yeah, we don't have that.

Ky Yarling: You don't have an FSA?

Joe Gries: No, we do not.

Ky Yarling: Flexible spending accounts, okay. We talked briefly about, right now you're under a fully insured program with one company, and you may be looking at going to a partial or a self-funded program in the future. There are some, one program specifically that we and Joe talked about that kind of was of some interest is Colonial developed a brand new product called a group medical bridge. So, if you can kind of think about that name, group medical bridge, it helps bridge the gap. You know, as deductibles keep getting higher and out-of-pocket expenses are shifting a little bit more to the employee from the employer, then this product has been developed and designed to give an employer a really good solution to that shift problem. We've got some information that we'll close with that.

President Kiefer: So, one of the things you guys offer, my understanding is, just looking at your stuff here is open enrollment services. Now is that services then that

people that use the full time health insurance, that would be implemented into your open enrollment services?

Ky Yarling: Yeah, exactly. Colonial actually, one of the things that Ruth is passing out here, Microsoft Company actually gave Colonial a technology award for our, you know, our program, and it will overlay and actually help bring all of your benefits together in one format for every employee. So, whether it's your health insurance, your dental, or whatever it is that you might have here. Okay, your group term life, everything will be all in one platform.

President Kiefer: Whether you're the provider or not the provider?

Ky Yarling: Exactly, yeah, yeah, exactly.

President Kiefer: That's why I want to hold off on this AFLAC thing, because I wanted to hear what these guys had to say.

Ky Yarling: Well, and the thing we want to nail down about that particular is we're not trying to throw anybody under the bus here, okay. Colonial is not a newcomer to this, you know, we've been doing these type of services for well over 20 years. The track record that we have and our technology capabilities you'll see here in this handout, even though we don't advertise everyday on t.v. like, you know, you see some other competitors doing, doesn't mean that we're not a winner and a player in the industry, because we certainly are. You know, this is not a new venture for us. There are other companies that are starting out and trying to do some of these things that, you know, we've already got a proven, successful track record of being a winner in.

President Kiefer: I've got a question. When you and I had met earlier today, you mentioned something about flu shots. Joe, do we currently pay a fee, or pay money to have flu shots administered? Or how, you know, I know every year we'll get notices, hey, come get your flu shot at the Civic Center.

Joe Gries: Right, that happened a few years ago when we were on a different plan.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: The current plan, employees can go to their doctor or to CVS, I think, and receive their flu shot, but then there's a claim that goes to our insurance provider.

President Kiefer: Well, see, what Ky told me earlier is that part of their services includes free flu shots. That would reduce our claims then if people, instead of the way we're doing it now, that could reduce our total claims or costs. Now, Ky, I don't want to speak out of turn for you.

Ky Yarling: No, that's fine. That's one of the things, Joe, I think you kind of liked that concept, because that is an expense right now that the county is bearing yourself. Colonial is willing to do that for you. Flu shots will range, you know, from \$20-\$25 whatever, but if you've got—

President Kiefer: 850 employees.

Ky Yarling: — 800, you know, times \$20—

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Ky Yarling: – you know, that could just be money back in your pocket.

President Kiefer: Yeah. Joe?

Joe Gries: There's also been information provided to us from the Quad Med Clinic that we currently have for employees too. Again, they provide us information and we're trying to put together some information from AFLAC so we can provide that to the Commissioners as well, but, there again, was a cost there for the Quad Med as well. If employees would go to the clinic, they would be, they would not be charged, again, it would be free to the employee, but it would be a charge to the county.

President Kiefer: Yeah, it would be a charge to the county though.

Joe Gries: Correct, yes.

President Kiefer: Well, I'm intrigued with this. I'm glad you came by, because, I mean–

Ky Yarling: Well, public sector, just a quick note, I mean, many county and city government groups, and state government groups take advantage of our “turn key”, if you will, operation. You know, kind of an end to end enrollment and benefits communication system. Again, as you can see, in some of the awards that these companies do use what we call “Best in Class” platform. We talked earlier about being able to do a live demo for you, and it wouldn't be like a teleconference or anything like that, it would be an actual live demo of that system. I know time doesn't allow us right now to do that.

President Kiefer: Right.

Ky Yarling: But, we can certainly do that at another time, so that every one of you could actually get a much better feel of what this really means. Colonial, the GFOA, I don't know if anybody is familiar with that, but that the Government Finance Officers Association. It's a national program, or a national, you know, a federal program. You've got a little bit of information there, there's much more about that study that was done, but just to let you know why we're even here today is because Colonial Life is really strong in the public sector arena. Nationally we're the only company that they have endorsed as, you know, being part of their association. So, there's a lot of good things that came out that study. We've got a white paper on that study. I would be glad to even e-mail it or mail it to you or whatever.

President Kiefer: Are there any questions? Marsha, you probably know most about this health insurance. I know you spent a lot of time last year on this.

Ky Yarling: Well, Joe, I think I can kind of summarize here is we're not here today to change, or anything to do with your health insurance, or, you know, your upcoming renewal on that, but as, with all of the changes that have occurred, in the Affordable Care Act, you know, and everything that we're all like sick and tired of hearing for the last few years, there have been a lot of changes. A lot of new direction that Benefit Administration is going, as well as the design of benefits, and what employers can do and what they can't do. So, we've been a forerunner with that, we've stayed up with that. We can help you going forward, as your dollars, as you keep competing for available dollars to administer benefits, it's one thing to sit

here and decide as a group, have an insurance committee, on what kind of plan design you're going to end up with for 2015, but then to communicate that and carry that out and deliver that out to your 850 employees, it gets harder and harder.

President Kiefer: Right. Well, I appreciate you coming by.

Joe Gries: President Kiefer? Sorry, just one question, Ky, if you could, as far as the open enrollment program that you have, the online system, could you, for the Commissioners benefit, provide maybe a little bit of information of what type of time frame, assuming that they would set open enrollment during this November, which we normally have for the start of next year. What kind of time frame would that take for you to implement and have up and running? Would that be possible as of today?

Ky Yarling: I'll let Ruth direct you.

Ruth Plant: It's very easy to implement. After initial data gathering, which might take you guys maybe a week or two to get us the data, in a very short time frame we can push that into our system, which is very much on a boiler plate basis, but, to handle one to one meetings with each employee to get their benefits enrolled, 850 employees, we can bring in more manpower to shorten the time frame. So, let's say if we brought in a dozen enrollers, we could probably have that done inside of two weeks. If we had half a dozen, it might take three weeks, but it's certainly a very doable quantity, and we're very accustomed to getting large groups done very efficiently. We've got clients that are national, Big Lots is a good example, 17 states 17,000 employees, and their benefits enrollment was done in all states simultaneously and completed in less than 30 days, full core enrollment with about a jillion different medical plans. (Inaudible. Audio breaking up.) benefits structures to very simple.

Joe Gries: I think that's just one of the things we wanted to kind of bring to the Commissioners attention is, also, it being a website type of program, you wouldn't necessarily have to have a lot of boots on the ground, but if you did need that, that would be possible, but also employees could use the website themselves, with their spouse or their family at home. They could go through that process, you know, in the privacy of their own home and go through, you know, open enrollment, making their decisions as they needed to.

Ky Yarling: It gets better every year. Like at Posey County, you know, next door to you here, Posey County, of course, that's smaller, you know, instead of 850, it's more like what, 250 or something, but, you know, we're in there and out of there and done in no more than about three days. The routine is there, you know, the routine year after year just gets better and better and better.

Ruth Plant: Yeah, the first year it's important to have the one to one, face to face with the agent assisted enrollment, and then once they kind of get the hang of it, then they're much more comfortable to the self enrollment and the call center. We mix up the availability and different methods of enrollment, via face to face, web based, call center or what we call co-browsing where a person is in the comfort of their own home in front of the computer and on the phone with a live agent. So, we can run those (Inaudible. Audio breaking up.) time allocation and (Inaudible). Out of that (Inaudible), the take aways from a one to one engagement with an employee over their benefits, one of the flyers that we wanted to draw your attention to the large brochure with the paint cans on the front. Just inside there are some nice, big screen shots of three tools that are take aways from that one to one. There is a total

compensation statement, this is really important, and employers love to see this because it assigns an annual cost of what the county is spending on benefits. So, it's a way for us to have a hammer on your behalf to impress upon the employee what you're spending toward their benefits. The screen shot with the election form, this is a Section 125 IRS compliance document that the employee has as a take away showing all of their benefit elections. It will list who their dependents are that they chose to cover on that particular coverage, be it medical, dental, vision. We can capture beneficiary designations and enter and update a full sweep for your group life carrier. Then, when this is all done, we have, the last person seen, the very next day I extract reports out of the system, it's called the return of data package. So, you have the data for both (Inaudible) and for payroll loads. So, that you actually have all the numbers done. So, no paper enrollment. We'll, somebody on your team having to extract it from your system, we do the work for you and just give you the final reports. Very, very efficient.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. President?

President Kiefer: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: I do have some questions. If I'm understanding this, in real simple form, first of all we don't have 850 employees, we only have 600 because 250 of them are Teamsters that moved over to their own insurance policy last year.

Ky Yarling: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: I am understanding this is a method for equalizing, for better term of a better word, equalizing all employees. For instance, just my husband and I, I need very little coverage. I don't have children that I'm going to run to the doctor with every sniffly nose. But, Joe, is a young man, and he may have four or five young children, so, if the county decided that our co-pay were a \$100 as opposed to what it is now, and, I said, well, that's not a big deal to me, I only go to the doctor once a year, but, he said, but I take my kids all the time, he can buy himself some protection to make up that gap. Is that a simplified version of what this is?

Ruth Plant: Well, that's a simplified version of the supplemental products portfolio that we provide. That's just kind of a limited component of the overall computerized electronic enrollment system that we're talking about.

President Kiefer: That's what I'm interested in is the enrollment system. That's why I asked to postpone the AFLAC thing, because I wanted Joe, I would like if you wouldn't mind, meeting with them and then compare those two systems apples to apples, and then give us a recommendation later. Because there's no reason for us to rush into it, we've got a little bit of time.

Commissioner Abell: Right.

President Kiefer: You know, it seems like you've got a good program, but we need somebody like Joe to look at it to make sure we get the best program that we feel like is best for the county.

Ky Yarling: Okay, I would be happy to do that.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Appreciate it.

Ky Yarling: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

Ruth Plant: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. President, this might be a good time for me to relay to you and Mr. Melcher a phone conversation that I had. I did receive a call, and he's going to call you regarding coming, unless you've already talked to Mr. Flittner about it, but our claims experience this year, compared to last year's is phenomenal. We are almost a million dollars lower on claims this year, to date, than we were at this time last year. All of which, not all of which, but very much of which he's attributing to the fact that we have the clinic, and instead of going to the doctor and having those claims reported to our insurance company, people are going to the clinic and taking care of it, and, consequently, we are doing exactly what we intended last year when we started that. Lower the claims, get the claims down low enough that when we get a bid on our health insurance, it soon will reflect that our claims are going down, so our premiums should be going down. I don't know that this next year is going to be astronomical, but I would think that a year from now when you're sitting here looking at the renewal rates, they're going to be drastically lowered, because our claims are...for claims to be down almost a million dollars the first six months of a year is almost unbelievable. So, it's been a very, very worthwhile project.

President Kiefer: Well, it sounds like, you know, even though things started out slowly with Novia, it sounds like things, some of the bugs have been worked out, and it's panning out to be successful. So, that's good. Thank you for your work on that, because I know you carried the lion's share on that.

Commissioner Abell: We'll see.

President Kiefer: Don't give you the credit yet?

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, we'll see.

President Kiefer: Okay. So, Joe, if you don't mind helping us out with that, that would be fantastic as far as meeting with these folks from Colonial.

Joe Gries: Absolutely. I'll get with Ky and Ruth tomorrow and we'll set something up.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. If that's it, is there any other public comment?

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Then, Madelyn, if you wouldn't mind reading the consent items.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the August 12th meeting are as follows; we have approval of the July 22, 2014 Commission meeting minutes. Employment changes for the Commissioners approval, we have one for Burdette Park, five for the Health Department and one for the County Highway. The County Commissioners have change order number seven on the second floor Old Courthouse renovations. We have abutting property bid notices for 820 Jackson, 1804 E. Franklin, 823 S. Elliott, 639 S. Norman, 443 S. Denby, 1219 S. Evans, 102 and 104 S. Denby and 700 Lexington Road. The County Highway Department has a Total SIR agreement

and work reports for July 14th through 17th and July 21st through 24, 2014. The County Auditor has approval of the July 2014 A/P vouchers, and the County Engineer has a department report and consent agenda.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Further discussion? Questions? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

<p>First Reading of Rezoning Ordinance VC-6-2014 Petitioner: Boots Diamond, LLC Address: Woodhaven Dr. & 5600 Diamond Ave. & Diamond Ave. Request: Change from Ag and R-1 to Industrial (M-1) with UDC</p>
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President Kiefer: Now we get into some fun stuff here. We have a rezoning, first reading of rezoning ordinance VC-6-2014. The petitioner is Boots Diamond, LLC, Woodhaven Drive and 5600 Diamond Avenue and Diamond Avenue, change from Ag and R-1 to Industrial (M-1) with a use and development commitment. This motion is to approve the first reading of rezoning ordinance VC-6-2014 and to forward this to Area Plan Commission.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second, because we're just moving it to Area Plan.

President Kiefer: Yes. Any further discussion or questions? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Is there any other discussion before we adjourn? Is there a motion to adjourn?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

(Motion approved 3-0)

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the July 22, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.
Change Order No. 7: OCH Second Floor Renovation Project.
Abutting Property Bid Notices: (9 Properties).

Employment Changes:

Health Dept. (5)	Burdette Park (1)	County Hwy. (1)
Legal Aid (2)	County Clerk (7)	Assessor (4)
Sheriff's Office (8)	Circuit Court (1)	Superior Court (3)
Prosecutor (3)	Public Defender (2)	Coroner (1)

County Highway:

Total SIR Agreement.
Work Reports: 7/14-7/17 & 7/21-7/24/2014.

County Auditor: Approval of the July 2014 A/P Voucher.

County Engineer: Department Report/Consent Agenda.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Joe Gries	Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer
Madelyn Grayson	Becky Massie	Danielle Wolter
Steve Craig	Dave Wedding	Gary Heck
Cliff Weaver	Debbie Spalding	John Stoll
Ky Yarling	Ruth Plant	Others Unidentified
Members of Media		

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Stephen Melcher, Member

(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AUGUST 19, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 19th day of August, 2014 at 5:06 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for August 19, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Would you do attendance please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would like to ask Joe Harrison, Jr. to lead us in the Pledge.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much, Joe.

Introduction of Student Government/Econ. Representative

President Kiefer: First, before we get started, we have a guest here with us. Carlos, would you tell us who you and what school you go to and some of that information?

Carlos Albuquerque: My name is Carlos Albuquerque, and I'm from North High School. I'm representing them for a Government and Econ. class.

President Kiefer: Well, thank you for joining us tonight. We appreciate it.

Carlos Albuquerque: Thank you.

Gary Heck Proclamation

President Kiefer: Under action items, we have a proclamation for Gary Heck retiring. Commissioner Abell, would you be willing to read the proclamation?

Commissioner Abell: I would if I had one.

President Kiefer: I can give a copy to you.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Heck is with us this evening too. I think he'll probably hear this again a couple of times before you retire.

"Whereas, Gary L. Heck has served in the field of Public Health for ten years in this community from August 19, 2004 through August 22, 2014 as he held various positions in the Vanderburgh County Health Department; and, Whereas, Mr. Heck graduated from Bellarmine University, formerly Bellarmine College, in 1974 with a Bachelor of Arts in Accounting/Business Administration; and, Whereas, Mr. Heck was hired as Preparedness Coordinator on August 19, 2004, promoted to Office Manager/Finance Officer on May 16, 2005, through staff reorganization he became Chief Operating/Finance Officer on January 1, 2006 and then promoted to Administrator on August 1, 2009; and, Whereas, Mr. Heck has been active in numerous philanthropic and professional organizations during his ten year career serving as a member of the HIPPA Workgroup, and Secretary of the County's Information Technology Advisory Council, ITAC, as past Chair and Vice-Chair. He also donated his time and expertise by serving on numerous committees including Student Aid & Counseling Service, Child Advocacy Center, Rotary Club of Evansville, Youth Services Bureau and the Southern Indiana Regional/SCCA and establishing lasting relationships with individuals, establishments and Local Health Departments state wide; and, Whereas, Mr. Heck has been the recipient of numerous professional awards during his career and received Citizen of the Year for the community service and assisting of goals in social work in 2004; and Individual Achievement Award in the Government and Public Service Category to honor the accomplishments of volunteers in 1996; and, Whereas, Mr. Heck will retire as Administrator of the Vanderburgh County Health Department on August 22, 2014. Now, Therefore, be it known that we, the Vanderburgh County Commissioners, honor Gary L. Hack—"

Commissioner Abell: Excuse me, Gary.

"Gary L. Heck, and thank him for his leadership and service to the citizens of Vanderburgh County."

Commissioner Abell: It will be signed by all three Commissioners. Thank you for your service to government, Gary.

(Applause)

Gary Heck: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Gary, we appreciate your years of service. I know you've always been here at every one of these meetings. That's very important. Your commitment to Vanderburgh County and to the citizens. Thanks for your service. Commissioner Melcher, do you have any comments?

Commissioner Melcher: Just the same thing. You're going to be hard to replace, because I know you are very dedicated.

Gary Heck: Thanks.

President Kiefer: I know you even attend those ITAC meetings, because my wife is on that Advisory Board. So, I thought, man, if he's even attending those meetings, he is dedicated. Anyway, I would like to ask for a motion to approve the proclamation.

Commissioner Abell: I would like to enter that motion.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

President Kiefer: Opposed? None.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Gary, thank you for your service.

Gary Heck: Thank you.

President Kiefer: We'll get a copy of that proclamation over to you signed.

Keystone Subdivision Block Party Road Closure Request
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President Kiefer: Road closure request, Pebble Stone and Pebble Place roads for Keystone Subdivision block party. The block party will be held on Pebble Stone Road and Pebble Stone Place within Keystone Subdivision on September 6, 2014 between 6:00 and 10:00 p.m. The Sheriff's Office has received and approved this request. Is there anybody that would like to speak about this?

Andrea Gander: Only if you have any questions.

President Kiefer: Well, hey, we're looking forward to the party.

Andrea Gander: There you go.

President Kiefer: I would like to ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

President Kiefer: Opposed? None.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Congratulations!

**Second/Final Reading of Ordinance CO.08-14-003:
Amending Ch. 3.20.080: Burdette Park Revolving Fund**

President Kiefer: Next is the second and final reading of ordinance CO.08-14-003, Burdette Park Revolving Fund. This is a motion to approve second and final reading of ordinance CO.08-14-003, Burdette Park Revolving Fund. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Discussion? We talked about this a little bit last time. Is there any public comment? I would like to ask for roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

**OCH Lease Agreement: Single Thread Boutique
OCH Event Lease Agreement: Kraftwerks Fall Craft Show
Health Dept: IDNR Agreement: Water Quality Testing: Lincoln State Park
Assessor: Appraisal Agreement: David Matthews: Riverfront Condos
Auditor: AFLAC Enrollment Services Data Collection Authorization**

President Kiefer: Next is contracts, agreements and leases. Under County Commissioners, the Old Courthouse lease agreement for Sara Kamman dba/Single Thread Boutique. The agreement is for suite 111. The lease begins on 8/20/14, tomorrow, and ends on 2/19/15, with two one year renewal options. Monthly payments will be made to the county in the amount of \$650. If you happened to see the lease, it's a very small space. This is a good deal. Again, we continue to lease space in the Old Courthouse, which is good.

Commissioner Abell: Could I ask a question?

President Kiefer: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Is this a renewal, or is this a new tenant?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Brand new.

Commissioner Abell: A brand new tenant?

President Kiefer: Brand new tenant.

Commissioner Abell: What does this person do?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Single Thread has a boutique on the east side and, I think, somewhere else as well. I don't know if they're going to do advertising—

Commissioner Abell: Do they sell thread, or do they sell clothes?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, no, no, no, it's clothing, it's women's clothing.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I don't, I think they may, I'm not sure if they're going to be using it for retail or what.

President Kiefer: Office space, because they're only getting like 650 square feet or something.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, to market their other business.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: So, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you. Kraftwerks, Inc. events agreement for the fall craft show. This is an annual craft show to be held at the Old Courthouse on November 8th and 9th, 2014. The county is to receive the following; 100 percent of the one

dollar admission fees paid by the first 1,000 patrons, and 50 percent of the one dollar admission fees paid by those attending after the first 1,000. Then 40 percent of all booth rentals, and 100 percent of all electricity and table fees, with respect to the event. Kraftwerks will reimburse the county for overtime costs up to a maximum of \$500 with regard to the event. We've done this several years, right, Kristin? I think it's a good event for the Old Courthouse. It brings a lot of people in to the Old Courthouse. With that, I would like to ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Is there discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Next we have the Health Department contract for services with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Lincoln State Park. The Indiana Department of Natural Resources will provide water testing services for the sum of \$1,200. The contract is to start on September 1, 2014 and will end on 8/31/2016. Dr. Spear is here. I guess, you'll be doing some more of this until—

Ken Spear: Yes, I'm going to try to do it, okay. It's a contract with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources for water testing for two years, 50 samples from the lake, and ten samples from the drinking fountain. We already do this for Holiday World and just increasing our clientele in the water testing department. We are ISDH certified in water testing. So, it's good for them, it's good for us.

President Kiefer: Okay. Are there any questions?

Commissioner Abell: Motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you. Next is the County Assessor, and I see Bill Fluty is here. This is Riverfront Condos appraisal proposal. Bill, I believe this is where you're going to hire David Matthews Associates and they're going to provide some services on behalf of the county. That's located, it says the Riverfront Condominiums located at 100 NW First Street.

Bill Fluty: That's correct. Often we go out and ask for outside help to help with appeals. This is a particular case with different dynamics, being it's a condo, and what their river view is and street view and floors, one, two, three, four through six. So, Dave was on the ground floor of this when it was built years ago, so, he's a natural pick. He said he would help us through that. We'll be doing this in tandem. We want to complete this before the November billing, if there's relief for those taxpayers. May not, but we'll find that out as we go through the process.

President Kiefer: This is not to exceed a cost of \$6,500?

Bill Fluty: That's correct.

President Kiefer: Okay. Are there any questions? I ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: No further discussion? Roll call please.

Commissioner Abell: I would like to point out, just one thing, being a realtor, I agree with Bill, it is impossible to get comps on some of these properties in town, because they are so unique. I think that's money well spent.

Bill Fluty: Thank you.

President Melcher: Yeah, I agree, and, of course, David Matthews Associates, they have a great reputation and he's highly qualified. So, I think his selection is very good, and what you're doing is right on track.

Bill Fluty: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thanks. Thanks, Bill, for doing this. I know a lot of times people don't recognize, you know, that's good, quality work that you're doing by hiring him. So, appreciate that.

Bill Fluty: Well, there's always another set of eyes, and condos are a little unique, and even downtown whether it's Riverside or it's some of the others downtown, it is, as Marsha has spoken to, it is a little different to get good comps. Thank you.

President Melcher: So, I think we have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you. I think the County Auditor, last week we talked about the AFLAC enrollment services and solution data collection authorization. This will allow AFLAC to proceed with open enrollment so they can offer additional benefits to Vanderburgh County employees. I asked last week to postpone this for a week, because we had another party approach us, and they gave a presentation last week, and I asked Joe Gries, our Auditor, to compare the two proposals apples to apples. Joe, do you want to give a report? I know you met with them on Friday.

Joe Gries: We did. We were able to meet with them last week, and Colonial Life was the other company. They provided a detailed review of their online tool, similar to what AFLAC did with myself and our staff, people in our office. We compared the two, then we met with our staff and went through, you know, the pros and cons of each. We, it was our recommendation to go ahead with AFLAC. We feel that their tool is a little bit more flexible, has some features that will allow county employees to maximize their open enrollment efforts to make changes online, if they need to, for health insurance, life, dental, vision, those things. AFLAC will be doing this at no charge to the county. The other company had that same stipulation, there wasn't any charge to the county, but the system that AFLAC has, we believe, is the better of the two, and would recommend that the Commissioners approve that.

President Kiefer: Are there questions? I'll ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: If there's no further discussion, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: I want to give a personal thanks to our County Auditor, because, Joe, you always go above and beyond, and I appreciate the work you do. You just do a great job. I just want to say thanks for making that analysis.

Joe Gries: My pleasure.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Department head reports. John Stoll? You can always count on John.

Commissioner Abell: Big surprise.

Commissioner Melcher: And he e-mails you ahead of time.

Commissioner Abell: He always has a report.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

John Stoll: I'll try to keep it short. I only have two items tonight. The first is a sidewalk waiver request for Mazzier Subdivision. This is a replat of some lots up in the north end of Country Lake Subdivision. There are no existing sidewalks on any of the streets out in this subdivision. So, it didn't make sense that there would be sidewalks on this replat. So, I would recommend approval of the sidewalk waiver request.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Discussion? Public comment? Then, I'll ask for a roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Then, the other item that I have is a street acceptance request for Section One of Cayman Ridge Subdivision. This consists of 181 feet Cayman Drive, 902

feet of Belize Drive, 244 feet of Barbados Drive, 783 feet of Bonaire Drive, 661 feet of Bermuda Drive and 846 feet of Aruba Court. These streets were originally built several years ago. The original developer is out of the picture, and now a new developer has come in and made all of the necessary repairs to the streets. There were inspectors from my office out there whenever the repairs were being made. So, they did confirm that the construction was correct, and on that basis I would request approval of the acceptance request.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, discussion?

Commissioner Abell: We don't like to take these over. I hope it holds up. I don't want to be repaving.

John Stoll: You and me both.

President Kiefer: Well, I'm going to rely on your recommendation, John. So, with that I'm going to ask for—

Madelyn Grayson: Can I make one correction, John? The street acceptance sheet differs from your e-mail, just by the last two.

John Stoll: Oh, did I, I may have had a typo. What are the correct amounts?

Madelyn Grayson: 661 feet of Aruba Court and 846 Bermuda Drive.¹ Just the last two you had inverted.

John Stoll: Okay, I had them reversed? Sorry about that.

President Kiefer: Madelyn, thank you. It's good to have good people. Okay, well, then I'll ask for a roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

¹The original footage read by the County Engineer was correct.

John Stoll: That's all I have, unless you have questions.

President Kiefer: Thank you, John.

John Stoll: Thanks.

President Kiefer: I appreciate it. Are there any other department head reports. I don't see any.

New Business

President Kiefer: We'll move on to new business. First, I would like to ask Joe Harrison, you had something you would like to bring up in new business.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, I'm not to sure if it's new or old. We've talked about it before, I have a resolution that I think should be in front of you, regarding the transfer or exchange of property with a governmental entity. Back on, I think it was May 13th, the Commissioners approved a letter of intent with the city regarding the possibility of conveying/transferring to the city approximately 50 parcels that had been obtained by the county via tax sale that they've acquired over the last year or two. The county, the city is now in a position to want to move forward. Apparently they're going to be obtaining sufficient funding, and the city and the county need to pass similar resolutions detailing the future transfer of those properties from the county to the city. The city will pay the county \$450 per parcel. That's \$22,500 that the county will receive. The resolution in front of you that I'll read here in just a second, includes Exhibit "A", which is all of the parcels to be acquired by DMD, the City of Evansville Department of Metropolitan Development, and "B" includes two parcels to be acquired by the City through their Department of Parks and Recreation. Hopefully, the quit claim, the deeds from the county to the city will come before the Commissioners, if not next month, shortly thereafter, along with the money.

President Kiefer: Joe, I think, with everybody having a copy of this, we don't have to read each parcel.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Oh, no, no, no. All I was going to do was quickly say just the body of it.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.:

"Whereas, the Board of Commissioners of Vanderburgh County owns certain real estate located in Vanderburgh County, Indiana and which property is listed by common address and parcel number on Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B" attached hereto."

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That's the real estate.

"Whereas, pursuant to Indiana Code Section 36-1-11-8, the county wishes to sell and transfer the real estate listed in Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B" to the City of Evansville by and through its Department of Metropolitan Development and the Department of Parks and Recreation, and the city wishes to purchase and accept the real estate

from the county. Whereas, the city will adopt a substantially identical resolution requesting the transfer or exchange of the real estate to the city, as contemplated in this resolution. Now, Therefore, be it resolved that the county shall, contingent upon the adoption of a resolution by the city to accept the delivery of quit claim deeds to the real estate, execute and deliver quit claim deeds to the real estate to the city for and in consideration of four hundred fifty dollars (\$450) per parcel and other good and valuable consideration.”

Joe Harrison, Jr.: So, that’s the resolution. It’s my understanding that the city is going to consider a similar resolution within the next week.

President Kiefer: Okay, this is \$450 per parcel more than we’re receiving now. So, I think it’s a good deal. I think it makes a lot of sense, but, obviously, Commissioners any questions, comments?

Commissioner Abell: How long do we think before this transfer is going to be—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I’m hoping next month. We have two meetings next month. So, I’m hoping that the Commissioners could approve those in a meeting next month, but I know the city has to have the money, because they want to....Kristin usually knows the procedure, but I just spoke to one of the City Attorneys today and they thought, if not next month, it would be the very beginning of October. I’m hoping next month.

Commissioner Abell: Kristin, do you have any handle on the condition of these properties that we own title to? Like, do we need to mow the yard? I mean, we get complaints all of the time about the way our property looks, and I’m concerned—

Kristin Comer: The Highway Department—

Commissioner Abell: – it’s going to be two more months before we get rid of them.

Kristin Comer: Right, the Highway Department does have a list, and they work very closely with our office on that.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. I’ll move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Is there further discussion? Public comment? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next I would like to bring up something. I would like to suggest or recommend that we move the Voters Registration Office to the Old Courthouse, and to work with Kristin to establish the appropriate location for that office. I just wanted to bring this up at a public meeting. Joe, I understand that we probably, it's something that we would need to vote on then, if we decided that that was appropriate.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes, the Commissioners are responsible for providing space for county offices, and that's a county office. So, that would be appropriate, if that's your desire. I think they've been moved this year, didn't they?

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, yeah. Yes, Kristin, do they have time machines over there? KRONOS, whatever we're on, I don't know what we're on.

Joe Gries: Actually, I might be able to help answer that question. The new KRONOS system that we're implementing currently, they're part of, I believe, the second phase, which will happen in the next month or so. They have the ability, with this new system, to either punch on a clock or on a terminal, their computer. So, I believe they've chosen to do it through their computer, which is similar, you log in and you hit "time in" and that clocks you in, and you hit "time out" and that clocks you out. Or, they can use the clocks that are over there. We have installed new clocks.

Commissioner Abell: Just as long as we have a system.

Joe Gries: Right, yes.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Okay, so, I would request a motion to approve having David Rector and Kristin work together to move Voters Registration to the Old Courthouse.

Commissioner Melcher: Before we make the motion, can, who's budget is that coming out of? Would that be the Building Authority's?

President Kiefer: That's a good question.

Commissioner Melcher: I know there were some complaints when they moved together.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Melcher: They said they lost money or something.

President Kiefer: Yeah, and I don't think, we'll work out that detail, and if it's anything, you know, if there's some monies involved then we'll come back.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

President Kiefer: I've got to think that there's not a whole lot involved in moving them. It's just some desks and then some filing cabinets--

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Computer equipment.

President Kiefer: – and computer equipment.

Commissioner Abell: I think Joe can help you.

President Kiefer: Joe?

Joe Gries: The Commissioners have a line item within the CCD for Infrastructure, which, I think, would fit. There's usually some money available, you know, for these kinds of things that pop up during the year, if the Building Authority would not have the funds to move them. A lot of times they do have available money to help with those costs, but then they may charge us back. So, that would probably be a good question for Mr. Rector as well. There probably, I would, you know, Kristin can probably check for sure, but I believe there would probably be some available funds there.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

President Kiefer: Have we had a motion? Okay, so.

Commissioner Melcher: I guess, I'll go ahead and make the motion to move them. I kind of wish we had a little more time to–

President Kiefer: Well, I mean, we can wait, Stephen.

Commissioner Melcher: No, I'll go ahead and do it. It would probably have been better if they were here. I'll go ahead and make the motion.

Commissioner Abell: I'll second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: This may take a while. It may take a little bit of time to get it accomplished, but this starts the process anyway.

Commissioner Abell: I think the goal needs to be to have that office out of there by the first of October, or mid-September even, because the election starts 30 days out from November, the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November. So, the first Tuesday after the first Monday in October is 30 days out. They're going to be

working in there. I mean, I'm just saying optimum, if you're looking for something you need to shoot for, I would say mid-September would be a really good day to shoot for.

President Kiefer: Good comments. Is there any other new business?

Commissioner Melcher: I have one. It's, I got a call from Ms. Weathers. She's the Executive Director of Community Action Program of Evansville, known as CAPE. She's working on a grant application, it's about building homes, and maybe doing it with some prisons or jails or something. What they're trying to do is trying to find some spots in the city or county both, some lots that they could have, so that when they get these homes built they're going to actually physically move them. They'll be there and they'll be a lot cheaper than what's on the market now for that. I think, since we do a lot with non-profits and what, neighbors on these houses and we're getting ready to sell some back to the city, I think what we need to do is go ahead, and what she needs is a letter of intent from us to get on this grant that we're going to allow to give her some properties down the road if some come available. I could get the wording out a little bit better, but we're not meeting until next month again, so I thought if we could vote on it tonight we could get the letter signed before the end of the month to her.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: So, what they would, what she would be looking for is a commitment that at some point to give support with vacant lots that the county might own that they might acquire via tax sale?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes. You know, that's what, I don't know what kind of grant this is—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Right.

Commissioner Melcher: —it sounds like a federal grant. So, it's kind of like “in kind”, which will help them.

Commissioner Abell: Do you need a motion?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: I move that we support Ms. Weathers with a letter.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll second it.

President Kiefer: Sounds like a great idea. So, is there any further discussion? No public comment? Madelyn, would you do roll call please?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Good idea, Commissioner Melcher. I'm glad you brought that up.

Old Business

President Kiefer: Is there any old business?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Okay, if not, is there any public comment?

Consent Item

President Kiefer: Okay, Madelyn, would you do the consent items?

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the August 19th meeting are as follows; we have approval of the August 12, 2014 Commission meeting minutes. Employment changes for the Commissioners approval, there are two for Area Plan Commission. We have two surplus requests, one for the County Surveyor, which is a Canon plotter IBF 8000 and the Health Department has various office and dental equipment. The County Commissioners have a request for appropriations for Old Courthouse Utilities. The County Clerk has the July 2014 monthly report. The County Engineer has a department head report. The County Highway Department has work reports for the weeks of July 28th through 31st and August 4th through 7th, 2014.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, if there's nothing else, I ask for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:37 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the August 12, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.

Appropriation Request: Old Courthouse Utilities.

Employment Changes:

Area Plan Commission (2)

Surveyor (1)

Circuit Court (1)

Sheriff (9)

Surplus Requests:

County Surveyor: Cannon plotter IBF 8000.

Health Department: Various office/dental equipment.

County Clerk: July 2014 Monthly Report.

County Engineer: Department report.

County Highway: Work Reports: 7/28-31/14 & 8/4-7/14.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer

Marsha Abell

Stephen Melcher

Joe Gries

Joe Harrison, Jr.

Kristin Comer

Madelyn Grayson

Carlos Albuquerque

Gary Heck

Andrea Gander

Ken Spear

Bill Fluty

John Stoll

Others Unidentified

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Stephen Melcher, Member

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**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 16, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 16th day of September, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good evening. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for September 16, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Madelyn, can you do roll call please?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: What I would like to do is, after we do the Pledge of Allegiance, I would like to take a moment of silence for Rick Davis. He was a servant in this community. He served as an elected official, County Treasurer and ran for the Office of Mayor and I was saddened to hear about his death. I would like to do a moment of silence for him after the Pledge. Kristin Comer, if you could do the Pledge for us, I would appreciate it.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

Moment of Silence for Rick Davis

(A moment of silence for Rick Davis was observed.)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

**Road Race Road Closure Requests:
Bob's Gym: "See Bob Run" & 2015 River Run**

President Kiefer: Under action items, we have our road race requests. Organizer, Jim Bush, notified the office today that he is unable to attend tonight's meeting. Both requests have been approved by the Commissioners in past years and were forwarded to our office by the Sheriff's Office with the Sheriff's approval. I see the Sheriff is here, Sheriff Dave Wedding, and you're okay with that?

Dave Wedding: Yes.

President Kiefer: So, I would like to, let's see, I would like to ask for a motion to....oh, okay, on both Bob's Gym, "See Bob Run", October 25, 2014 and also on Rise Up and Run Production/River Run, May 16, 2015. If we could do both of those.

Commissioner Abell: Can we do both of them together?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That's fine.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move acceptance of both.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, any further discussion?

Commissioner Abell: I was just, are you okay with both of them, Sheriff?

Dave Wedding: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Can you do roll call please?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

County Clerk: 2014 General Election Vote Centers/Early Voting Locations
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President Kiefer: County Clerk, 2014 General Election vote centers and early voting locations. Debbie Stucki, is she here? Oh, okay, I see the County Clerk is here. If you can come up and discuss this.

Debbie Stucki: It's the same voting locations as this spring. So, if you have any questions about it.

President Kiefer: Is there, are there any questions?

Commissioner Melcher: Is it the same group as the spring, like you said?

Debbie Stucki: Yes, the same as the primary.

Commissioner Melcher: So, we didn't do any good replacing the Garage?

Debbie Stucki: No, if, the State has guidelines, if you don't use a polling place in the primary, you can't use it in the fall.

Commissioner Melcher: Wow, that's new.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: That's very new.

Debbie Stucki: I'm sorry?

President Kiefer: But, we could do that then for the next election year?

Debbie Stucki: For the next election, if you wanted to use the County Garage again.

Commissioner Melcher: When did that all come into effect?

Debbie Stucki: I believe this Board in the primary voted not to use the County Garage.

Commissioner Melcher: No, no, no, when did the law come into effect where you can't vote—

Commissioner Abell: He's, we're not using the County Garage, isn't that correct?

Debbie Stucki: Correct.

Commissioner Melcher: Right, we're not using it, but we were going to replace it with another one.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, I see. Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: She's saying there's a law saying we can't, whatever we used in the primary we've....because we didn't do that when we voted the Vote Centers in. Then, by law, we would have had to wait until the following, because we brought the Vote Centers in for the fall election. I wanted to make it a primary and a fall, but we didn't do that. So, we must have broke the law back then, that's why I asked when did that law come into effect.

Debbie Stucki: I'm not sure. I can check on that and get back with you.

Commissioner Melcher: That would be good to know, because I was really hoping we had another place. The times, your early voting, a lot of counties are voting earlier than what we are. Maybe, I don't know where they're voting, but supposedly they've got early voting starting the 7th of October. Now, is that, the 7th of October in your office?

Debbie Stucki: Yes it is. It's in the Election Office, from 8:00 to 4:00.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: But, the early vote centers are not until the 20th, right?

Debbie Stucki: Correct. It's two weeks before the election.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: In '12, I know it was probably about a month before, wasn't it?

Debbie Stucki: I think she did three weeks—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Okay.

Debbie Stucki: – but that's because it was a Presidential Election.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Oh.

Debbie Stucki: Remember, we only had a little over five percent turn out in the spring. So, this is what they call the "off" year. They usually don't do three weeks in this year. I'm kind of following what she had done in the past with the Vote Centers. So, in 2016 there would be three weeks of early voting at the libraries, but a month in the Election Office.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay. I just was trying to figure out how we did one time and didn't want to do it another time, because a lot of people like early voting.

Debbie Stucki: Yeah, they do. It's very popular.

Commissioner Melcher: The sooner the better. So, on your literature that you're sending out, you're going to be putting the times, you're going to be putting early voting the 7th in the Civic Center?

Debbie Stucki: Yes.

Commissioner Melcher: So, they know where to go?

Debbie Stucki: Yes.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Debbie Stucki: I sent a copy to Kristin. I don't know if they got copies of those.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I don't think this was going to be voted on today. I think it was she was going to discuss and it would be voted on next week.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Is that okay?

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That you would get this to us, and then we can publish it.

President Kiefer: We don't need to vote on anything tonight is what I was asking.

Debbie Stucki: Not that I'm aware of.

President Kiefer: Okay, Debbie, could you step forward for a second.

Debbie Stucki: Sure.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

Resolution CO.R-09-14-009: University Parkway TIF District Financing

President Kiefer: Next is resolution number CO.R-09-14-009. This is University Parkway TIF district financing. This is the final resolution regarding the financing for the University Parkway TIF district sewer extension project. The financing for this project is not to exceed five million dollars. The County Council approved a similar resolution at the meeting on 9/3/14, and the County Redevelopment Commission will also consider such resolution at its scheduled meeting on 9/17/14. Are there any questions or comments?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: This is just the final step in that process. What it is is the financing is going to be split into two portions, kind of an A Series and a B. The A is \$1.5 million, and the B is three million. The total amount could be up to five, at a later date when the bonds are issued, but this is just the final step in that process. Also, County Option Income Tax is being pledged on the three point, the three million dollar amount, as a back up if necessary. The County Council had to approve that, and they did that at their meeting on September 3rd.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you very much. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

**First Reading of Vacation Ordinance CO.V-10-14-003:
Vacation of Lake Maintenance & Storm Detention Easement:
15000 Foundation Drive**

President Kiefer: Next is first reading of vacation ordinance CO.V-10-14-003 and permission to advertise notice of public hearing. This is a petition filed by the Evansville Industrial Foundation for a vacation of lake maintenance and storm detention easement with respect to Lot 8 in the Vanderburgh County Industrial Park. Is there a motion to approve first reading?

Commissioner Melcher: Isn't Lot 8 the one we're building our building on?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, this is a different one. It's my understanding, I think it's a different one.

President Kiefer: I think it's--

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Because they're already building, I mean, they're already about done with that building.

Commissioner Melcher: I know, that's why I was just asking.

President Kiefer: I think Lot 8 is the one that is, I was out there a couple of days ago--

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It might be adjacent to it, but I'm not for sure, but it's not that one.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay, this is just first reading anyway.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes, it's first reading.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Then, what they'll have to do is, they've asked to advertise, and I think it's going to be published in the newspaper, and the final reading is going to be in October.

President Kiefer: Can we ask somebody from the VIP Board to, Kristin, to come?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Or the, the engineer, I think he's with, is he with Bernardin?

Madelyn Grayson: Yes.

President Kiefer: Farney?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, I think it might be--

Madelyn Grayson: It's Matt Wallace.

President Kiefer: Matt Wallace?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Matt Wallace? Okay, he'll be here.

President Kiefer: Can we have somebody here? That would be great, to answer any questions.

Commissioner Melcher: Yeah, I just want to make sure we know what lot it is.

President Kiefer: Yeah. I think I know which one it is, but it wouldn't hurt to have somebody here to verify that. So, is there a motion to approve first reading?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

<p>Permission to Advertise Notice of Public Hearing: Vacation of Lake Maintenance & Storm Detention Easement: Lot 8, VIP</p>

President Kiefer: Next we would like to have a motion to schedule public hearing on Tuesday, October 14th and advertise notice of public hearing on Friday, September 19, 2014.

Commissioner Abell: On this same issue?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Uh-huh.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you.

<p>Public Hearing & Second/Final Reading of Vacation Ordinance CO.V-09-14-002: Vacation of PUE at 5627 Gabes Drive</p>

President Kiefer: Next is a public hearing and second and final reading of vacation ordinance CO.V-09-14-002, vacation of public utility easement at 5627 Gabes Drive. Is there discussion about this?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: This is the second reading on this. The first was back in August. I think it was August 12th. It's just to vacate a public utility easement. All of the, everybody has signed off on it. I don't know if anybody is here on this, but, yeah, come on up, sir. Everything should be fine.

President Kiefer: Okay, if you can give us your name and address for the record.

Craig Kuester: Craig Kuester, U.S. 41 South, Ft. Branch, Indiana.

President Kiefer: Okay. Can you refresh our memory about what this is?

Craig Kuester: I'm Craig Kuester with Kuester Engineering in Ft. Branch. We're representing the Refett's. They actually have a house built in the public utility easement, and actually a building set back line. This all came about, they are actually trying to subdivide some property and purchase some property adjacent to their property, and through the Area Plan Commission and through that process we decided this needed to be vacated to clean things up.

President Kiefer: Okay. So, that sounds good. I mean, everybody signed off on it. If I can get a motion to accept this, or approve it, that would be good.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It is a public hearing if anyone is out there.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Before we vote, is there anybody in the audience that would like to speak about this, for or against? Okay, well in that case, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, under contracts, agreements....thank you very much.

**Southwest Indiana Chamber: Downtown Evansville Alliance Agreement
OCH Lease Renewal with Krowl Law LLC
Sheriff: Stericycle Service Contract Renewal
Sheriff: Audubon Motors Vehicle Use Agreement
VCCC: Paperless Business Solutions Contract Renewal
VCCC: IDOC Grant Amendment No. 2
Health Dept: Addendum to Clinical Affiliation Agreement with VU
Health Dept: Trizetto Electronic Service Purchase Order
Health Dept: Internship Educational Agreement with U of E**

President Kiefer: Under contracts, agreements and leases, I think I would like to ask us to hold the Southwest Indiana Chamber Downtown Evansville Alliance request until the next meeting, until next Tuesday, just so all of the Commissioners can have time to consider this request. Basically it's funding for this agreement comes from the County Economic Development Fund. Under the agreement the County Commissioners will have an appointment on the Downtown Alliance Steering Group.

Commissioner Abell: Which is how big? One of how many?

President Kiefer: That I don't know. I'm not sure. We'll find out. Kristin, can you check into that and find out?

Commissioner Abell: It looks like there may be somebody that might know.

President Kiefer: Oh, we have somebody here today. Thank you.

Josh Armstrong: May I approach?

President Kiefer: Yes, thank you.

Josh Armstrong: Hello, Commissioners. I'm Josh Armstrong. I'm Director of the Downtown Alliance. There is 12 to 15 people on that. It's an advisory panel. So, there's, its role is advisory in nature, not necessarily a true board.

President Kiefer: Okay. So, there's no voting board per se?

Josh Armstrong: The Executive, the Board of the Chamber, or the Executive Committee of the Chamber, as a whole. Then, also the Foundation of the Chamber has a board that is being assembled by Christy right now.

President Kiefer: So, just for our understanding, like who hires you? Is that the Chamber Board then? Or, it's not obviously the Alliance Board.

Josh Armstrong: Correct. It's the Chamber Board. I report directly to Christy Gillenwater.

President Kiefer: Okay. Then, so far the city has participated, they made a contribution—

Josh Armstrong: Correct.

President Kiefer: — and, I believe the Convention Bureau has a made a contribution as well.

Josh Armstrong: Correct, and then some private donors as well.

President Kiefer: And private donors as well.

Commissioner Melcher: Do they have one member also? The Mayor has one member?

Josh Armstrong: Yes, the CVB does and the city does as well.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: I guess, I don't mean to sound like I'm poo-pooing it, but exactly what would the county be getting? I mean, we don't, if it's to promote the downtown, we don't, we're the county, we're not the city. I don't know where this is going to affect....you know, I would be more inclined to think we ought to be promoting farmers out in Armstrong Township than downtown Evansville. So, I'm a little concerned.

Josh Armstrong: Yeah, I understand that. The, you know, a vibrant downtown supports everyone in the county. In fact, everyone in the region, through employment opportunities, through recreational and consumer opportunities, through a sense of civic pride. It's important that we have beautiful buildings and a bustling downtown for our region.

President Kiefer: Yeah, and we do have the Old National Events Plaza as well that, hopefully, you guys would—

Josh Armstrong: Yes, and also, of course, the Old Courthouse.

President Kiefer: Yes, but, I mean, I'm, you know, I had this on the agenda, but I'm perfectly comfortable waiting until next Tuesday to vote on this next Tuesday so the other Commissioners can have time to digest this. Of course, you know, Josh is here, you can, obviously contact him and discuss any questions you might have with him as well. If that's the pleasure of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Abell: Move to table.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay. All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, Josh, we're going to table this until next Tuesday.

Josh Armstrong: Not a problem. I'll be back next Tuesday.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you very much.

Josh Armstrong: Hey, thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Thanks for coming tonight.

Josh Armstrong: Have a good evening.

President Kiefer: County Commissioners, Old Courthouse lease renewal for Krowl Law, LLC. This is a two year renewal for suite 108. It runs from 9/1/14 through 8/31/16 with a one year option to renew. Monthly rent payments of \$380 will be made to the county. I think, again, this is an existing tenant and this is, I think they bumped the rent on this, so, we did get a rent increase. It's a very small space, and I recommend that somebody make a motion so that we can approve this. Or ask for a motion.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next is the County Sheriff Office renewal for Stericycle contract service. A one year renewal for collection, transporting and disposal of medical waste at the Vanderburgh County Jail. The service contract also includes training for the medical staff in handling medical waste and related reporting issues. The cost is \$102 per month to be paid from the Sheriff's budget. The Sheriff, Sheriff Wedding is here to discuss.

Dave Wedding: Yeah, this is actually a renewal from last year, with no changes.

Commissioner Abell: Any increase in costs?

Dave Wedding: No.

Commissioner Abell: \$102 isn't much.

Dave Wedding: Right, and we have lots of waste to take care of.

President Kiefer: I can imagine. Okay.

Commissioner Abell: I move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. We have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Is there something, I think that's it for you.

Dave Wedding: We have a vehicle agreement.

Commissioner Abell: The vehicle agreement.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay, yes, thank you. Audubon Motors, Inc. vehicle use agreement. This agreement will allow the Sheriff's Office to use a 2015 Dodge Ram Truck in place of the previous Jeep Wrangler. Audubon Motors will provide service and maintenance. It runs from 9/10/14 through 9/9/17. The county will have an option to purchase the truck at a price of \$25,000 at the end of the three years. The county will provide insurance, is that pretty much—

Dave Wedding: Right, and this is a donated vehicle. They donated a Jeep to us, like they do with the Evansville Police Department, and now we're just kind of swapping it in for a quad-cab truck, for no cost. It's a pretty good deal.

President Kiefer: That sounds like....yeah.

Dave Wedding: I wish I could get more of those.

Commissioner Abell: It's very generous of Audubon Motors.

Dave Wedding: Yeah, Larry Bennett's been very kind to us.

Commissioner Abell: Very generous.

President Kiefer: Well, we should thank Audubon Motors then and give them a plug.

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

President Kiefer: Thank them for their contribution—

Commissioner Abell: Very generous.

President Kiefer: – to the public safety here in Vanderburgh County. Okay, with that I'll ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

Dave Wedding: One last thing, did you get the agreement on the additional funding that the DOC was giving the Sheriff's Office, the Community Corrections... I think you was going to sign the paperwork and send it back to the Department of Corrections.

Commissioner Abell: I don't think so.

Madelyn Grayson: That's the next item, there's two more items under Community Corrections on the agenda. The next two items.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Oh yeah. We had a, there's two more. It's under Community Corrections.

Dave Wedding: Correct.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: The Paperless Business Solutions agreement.

Dave Wedding: Right, uh-huh.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: And then the amendment two to the grant agreement with Indiana Department of Corrections.

President Kiefer: Yeah, I see that next on the agenda.

Dave Wedding: Do you want to do that later?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, we can do it right now.

President Kiefer: It's next.

Commissioner Abell: Stay right there.

Dave Wedding: Okay.

President Kiefer: It's under County Community Corrections, renewal of PBS, Paperless Business Solutions, licensing maintenance service agreement for renewal for the computer software program utilized by the County Sheriff's Office, Community Correction Department. This runs from 9/1/14 through 6/30/15. The monthly maintenance fee is \$412 per month, and \$130 an hour for needed technical support. Does that summarize it, Sheriff?

Dave Wedding: Yes, it does.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Is it in your budget, Sheriff?

Dave Wedding: Yes, it is.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Okay, I ask for a motion.

Commissioner Abell: Move to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: We have a motion and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, next is the amendment number two you were referring to.

Dave Wedding: Right.

President Kiefer: And, it is to IDOC 2014-2015 grant agreement. Grant to increase the funding for the County Community Corrections program by \$8,464, bringing the total two year grant agreement amount to the county to \$1,578,208.

Commissioner Abell: Wow!

President Kiefer: Is there anything you want to add?

Dave Wedding: Well, actually, the amount of the contract is going to be \$793,336. It was not to exceed that amount.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay. Does that need to be noted for the motion?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think that's probably the one year part of it. I think the two year might have been—

Dave Wedding: Oh, yes, right, right.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I was looking at the two year amount.

Dave Wedding: Oh, okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: So, it's just really half that.

Dave Wedding: Right.

President Kiefer: Got it. Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Sheriff—

Dave Wedding: I believe we forwarded the paperwork for your signatures. I'm making sure, I guess, we've got that?

Commissioner Abell: It's in our....does she have it?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: She's got it.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Dave Wedding: Okay, thank you.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, you need to get that in.

Dave Wedding: Yes, definitely.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Okay, well, maybe after the meeting she can give it to you maybe.

Commissioner Abell: We'll sign it tonight.

Madelyn Grayson: Will you be here for a little while, or do you want to pick it up in the morning?

Dave Wedding: Either way.

Madelyn Grayson: It's up to you.

President Kiefer: We won't be here that much longer. We're moving along. So, you'll be okay, if you want to wait a few minutes.

Dave Wedding: Fantastic. That's good.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Sheriff Wedding.

Dave Wedding: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Next is the County Health Department, addendum to clinical affiliation, no, I'm sorry, I'm misreading, affiliation agreement with Vincennes University. My eyesight is getting bad here. The addendum will extend the current agreement for VU students to receive clinical training with the Health Department through 7/31/16. This is a current set up that we have and we're just extending it out then for a couple years?

Ken Spear: That's true. They want to start sending more students down, and this is extending that grant, or that affiliation agreement to allow them to send more students down. They've been kind of quiet for the past year or so.

President Kiefer: I think that's a good program.

Ken Spear: It is a very good program.

President Kiefer: Is there discussion?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, next is the electronic service purchase order with Trizetto.

Ken Spear: Yes, that is a third party billing agent for the Health Department. It actually saves somewhere between \$70 and \$300 a month on new rates for our billing.

President Kiefer: And, it's a one year agreement?

Ken Spear: Yes.

President Kiefer: I think it sounds good. We're saving money. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Dr. Spear, thank you very much.

Ken Spear: We've got one more.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: We've got the U of E.

President Kiefer: Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah, we've got the internship educational agreement with the University of Evansville. Didn't mean to rush you off.

Ken Spear: This is a brand new agreement. Actually, we want to assign this because they have, they're starting a fairly large program of public health and we want to involve their public health students in the Health Department both as research associates, educational opportunities and help us. They're very excited about this opportunity. We think this is going to be an excellent relationship between U of E and the Health Department.

President Kiefer: I think it's a great idea. So, thank you for initiating that.

Ken Spear: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion?

Commissioner Abell: Is that a written agreement that's going to be—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, we have it.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, we have it?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Uh-huh.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, thank you.

President Kiefer: I need a motion.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Ken Spear: Thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Department head reports. John, you're going to say there's not a whole lot to report, right?

John Stoll: Not a whole lot to report. I've got four things here this evening, and they shouldn't take long. First I've got a request to file some repeals for the Bridge Fund. I would like to repeal \$40,193 for the Assistant County Engineer, \$60,000 for the Ohio Street Bridge project, and \$90,000 for the St. Joe Road bridge project. All those repeals were being done to try and get to a balanced budget in the Cum Bridge Fund. Based on working on the budgets this year, the revenues were down, there just wasn't enough money to make it all work out without doing some of these repeals.

President Kiefer: Okay. Is there any questions?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to repeal as requested?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Next, I've got a travel request to go to an INDOT meeting on October 23rd. This is for annual required training for what INDOT calls the "Employee in Responsible Charge" training. It's just one of the requirements in order to receive federal funds for road and bridge projects.

Commissioner Abell: Do you go alone, John? Or, does somebody go with you?

John Stoll: Last year I went alone. Two years ago, I believe, the Assistant County Engineer went. I'm not sure if like the City Engineer or anybody else is up for renewal on theirs or not, but tentatively planning to go alone right now.

Commissioner Abell: You just go up and back, don't you?

John Stoll: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: That is the closest training that INDOT had to Evansville. So, that's why I'm ending up going to that one. The third item I have is a storm sewer acceptance request for Section One of Cayman Ridge Subdivision. This covers 2,089 feet of storm sewers located out of street rights-of-way. The developer has submitted the check for the two dollar per foot maintenance fee. That's \$4,178. I would recommend acceptance of the storm sewers.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: The last item I have is a change order on the Old Boonville Highway bridge replacement project. This was a change order that was an increase of \$2,154.70. It was due to some additional rock and asphalt needed when some

adjustments were made on the excavation limits. I would request approval of that change order.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: That's all I have.

President Kiefer: Thank you, John. Appreciate it.

John Stoll: Thanks.

Commissioner Abell: Thanks, John.

President Kiefer: Is there any other department head reports? Yes?

County Surveyor

President Kiefer: Elected officeholder report?

Jeff Mueller: Jeff Mueller, County Surveyor, just wanted, Lot 8 is the lot where the spec building is going. If you'll recall, we did some drainage plan changes up there. I'm not sure if that easement, or if that vacation is part of that, but that is the lot that that is on.

Commissioner Melcher: I thought that it was.

Jeff Mueller: I do know that we had to do some maneuvering around, and not so much for the building, but for some of the parking and stuff. So, I'm sure Matt will be able to explain that to you.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Thank you, Jeff. Appreciate that.

New Business/Old Business

President Kiefer: Okay, is there any new business? Is there any old business?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Is there any public comment? Anybody from the public want to make a comment? Alrighty.

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Then, Madelyn, if you could do the consent items please.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the September 16th meeting are as follows; we have approval of prior minutes, we have the August 19, 2014 Commission meeting minutes. Employment changes for the Commissioners approval, we have one for the Co-Op Extension, one for Area Plan Commission, three for the County Highway, two for Burdette Park, and two for the Health Department. Burdette Park has a request to transfer non-operational 1998 Ford Taurus to Wolfe's Auto Auction for sell. Evansville ARC has June and July 2014 report of activities and meeting minutes. The County Commissioners have an AMR 2014 second quarter invoice and report; sale of county owned property, quit claim deeds for 102 South Denby Avenue, 104 South Denby Avenue, 216 North Garvin, 700 Lexington Road, 823 South Elliott Street, 1219 South Evans Avenue and 1804 East Franklin Avenue. We have a final notice to abutting owners for sale of county owned property at 820 Jackson Avenue, 639 South Norman Avenue and 443 South Denby Avenue. We have a waiver of the Old National Events Plaza fees, not overtime, for the Human Relations annual dinner on September 30, 2014. We have an Old Courthouse boiler repair quote from J.E. Shekell, and Old Courthouse elevator refurbishing quote from Thyssenkrupp Elevator, and Thyssenkrupp is the manufacturer and sole vendor. The Old Courthouse second floor renovation change orders number eight and nine. The County Auditor has approval of August 2014 A/P vouchers. The County Engineer has a department head report. The County Highway Department has work reports for August 4th through 7th, 11th through 14th, 18th through 21st, 25th through 29th, and September 1st through 4th. The County Treasurer has the July 2014 monthly report. The County Soil and Water Conservation District has the August 2014 monthly report. The Health Department has the July and August 2014 ozone reports, and Weights and Measures has the August 16th through September 15, 2014 monthly report.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve and accept the consent agenda, consent items? Or are there any discussion items on it?

Commissioner Abell: I have a question?

President Kiefer: Sure.

Commissioner Abell: The fee that we're going to waive on the dinner. I'm assuming that's at the Old National Plaza? Is this one of Old National's days? Are they giving it to the Human Relations, or are we just waiving it ourselves?

President Kiefer: This is probably the same as it's been in previous years on the dinner that they have there. Probably because they're partly funded by us, although there was some big debate on, you know—

Commissioner Abell: Their largest funding comes from the city.

President Kiefer: No question. That's why--

Commissioner Abell: They indicate that they work for the city, so, I guess, I just wondered why they're not having it at the Ford Center.

President Kiefer: I mean, I can pull that if you would like.

Commissioner Abell: No, it's not worth it.

President Kiefer: Okay. So, is there a motion to accept the consent?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

<p>Request to Continue Rezoning VC-5-2014 Petitioner: SM Properties Darmstadt LLC c/o The Desco Group Address: 13051 Highway 41 North Request: Change from Ag to C-4</p>
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President Kiefer: Next we have a rezoning request to continue rezoning petition VC-5-2014. I think Marco DeLucio is here to speak to this. This is petitioner SM Properties Darmstadt LLC in care of The Desco Group.

Marco DeLucio: Yes, Mr. President. SM Properties Group is requesting a continuance of this until your October hearing. The purpose of the continuance is to finish up a use and development commitment, which we're in the process of doing and sharing with one of the neighbors who expressed some concern about that. We anticipate no problems, just haven't gotten it done since the Plan Commission meeting. So, we respectfully request this be continued until your October rezoning hearings.

President Kiefer: Okay, that seems easy enough. Is there any questions?

Commissioner Abell: Motion to approve.

President Kiefer: Okay, there's a motion to postpone.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Marco DeLucio: Thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Thanks, Marco.

Marco DeLucio: We'll see you in October.

President Kiefer: Thank you very much. Is there anything else to come before the Board of Commissioners?

Commissioner Melcher: I've got one thing to bring up. I agree with Marsha on the, I almost said it, so, I'm glad you said it. We have stopped all of the non-profits and everything because we're really hurting over there, we're bleeding at the Old National Plaza. So, I think we probably ought to, let's go ahead and put them on notice for next year that we're not, you know, we're already letting the Sheriff's Department use it, because they belong to us, but the Police Department is paying something now. So, I don't, I think in fairness, if the Police Department is paying then they ought to be paying, because they're part of us too.

Commissioner Abell: Well, in fairness, if we're only paying 15 percent of Human Relations budget, and the city pays 85, we should figure out how much it costs for that night there, we'll donate 15 percent and the city can pay us 85 percent.

Commissioner Melcher: Is that a motion?

Commissioner Abell: I think we've already approved it under the consent items.

Commissioner Melcher: I know. I'm just throwing it in for next year.

Commissioner Abell: I was throwing it in for next year.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, Kristin, please make a note that next year, and maybe we can even, we can work on a letter we can send Human Relations saying, you know, we're generously donating it this year, but to the future we're going to look for some participation from them. Thank you. So, again, is there a motion to adjourn?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:36 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the August 19, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.
Burdette Park: Request to Transfer 1998 Ford Taurus to Wolfe's Auto Auction.
Evansville ARC: June & July 2014 Report of Activities & Meeting Minutes.
AMR: 2014 2nd Quarter Invoice & Report.
County Owned Property Quit Claim Deeds: (7) Properties.
Final Notice to Abutting Owners: Sale of County Owned Property: (3) Properties.
Waiver of ONEP Fees, Not OT, for Human Relations 2014 Annual Dinner.
OCH Boiler Repair Quote: J.E. Shekell.
OCH Elevator Refurbishing Quote: Thyssenkrupp Elevator.
OCH Second Floor Renovations Project: Change Orders #8 & #9.
SWCD: August 2014 Monthly Report.

Employment Changes:

Area Plan (1)	Co-Op Extension (1)	Co. Hwy. (3)
Burdette Park (2)	Health Dept (2)	Circuit Court (1)
Public Defender (1)	Coroner (1)	Election Office (1)
Prosecutor (2)	Legal Aid (2)	County Clerk (8)
Superior Court (18)	Sheriff (5)	

County Auditor: Approval of August 2014 A/P Vouchers.

County Engineer: Department Report.

County Highway: Work Reports: 8/4-7; 8/11-14; 8/18-21; 8/25-29 & 9/1-4/2014.

Health Dept.: July & August 2014 Ozone Reports.

Weights & Measures: August 16-September 15, 2014 Monthly Report.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Joe Gries	Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer
Madelyn Grayson	Debbie Stucki	Craig Kuester
Josh Armstrong	Dave Wedding	Ken Spear
John Stoll	Jeff Mueller	Marco DeLucio
Others Unidentified	Members of Media	

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**VANDERBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 23, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 23rd day of September, 2014 at 5:04 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good evening. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for September 23, 2014.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would like to ask John Stoll to please lead us in the Pledge.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Could you please do attendance?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here.

Moment of Silence for Quick Recovery for Commissioner Melcher

President Kiefer: Before we get started, I would just like to make a note that Commissioner Melcher is not here this evening. He's in the hospital recovering. He was, as noted in the paper, had an incident, and he is doing much better. They said that, today when I talked to his wife, Anna, they said that he was recovering and doing better. I would like for us all to take a few seconds, and if you want to express in prayer or a moment of silence for Commissioner Melcher's speedy recovery, I would like to do that. Then, of course, if Commissioner Abell wanted to make a comment as well.

Commissioner Abell: Just a moment of silence would be fine.

President Kiefer: Yeah, just a moment of silence then.

(A moment of silence was observed.)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much. Anyway, so, hopefully Commissioner Melcher will be back with us very soon, and in the next one or two meetings down the road he might be back in attendance. We pray for his quick recovery.

Joe DeVoy: Old Courthouse Clock Update

President Kiefer: Under action items, Joe DeVoy, Old Courthouse clock update. Joe, thank you very much for your volunteerism in keeping the clock. I know you have a brief presentation.

Joe DeVoy: Yes, sir. Thank you for letting me come here today and be with the Commissioners and the other folks here. As it says up here on the slide, it's a new day at the Old Courthouse. I'm pretty excited about that. This is the agenda I'll be using, 20 minutes maximum, will not go over. So, what time is it? It is 5:10. I will be gone before 5:30. That's my commitment. So, we're going to move fast and I'll be gone. First I want to say thank you. I want to say thank you to all of you for the things that are going on down at the Old Courthouse currently, with the painting, the improvement efforts. The place looks so much better. It's coming back alive. So, that's appreciated by so many folks. I wanted to tell you thank you for that. Also, Kristin stepped out, I wanted to embarrass her publicly. I think I'll wait until she comes back to do that, because it's worth doing. I just wanted to thank you for your continued support moving forward. I wanted to discuss the things that have happened down there. There is no "I" in this, it's definitely a "we". There's myself here speaking today on behalf of other folks. There's been many volunteer efforts, as well as an ongoing kind of one offs that we've done down there. I'll just go through the list. We've had, basically the last 15 years of cleaning out large, massive amounts of trash in all of the levels. Enough to fill this room right here in every single level seven times. So, 15 years has got us to this point. We're thrilled to be here. So, that's accomplished. The next part is the pagoda glass cap. We'll speak about that. We've got the birds under control. We've done a lot of painting and actual improvements on the clock. I have recruited a new apprentice. He is 67 years old. He is a retired mechanic from Alcoa. He is a top level, reliability trained mechanic. So, I know how to put oil and grease on stuff, but he has laser guided instruments and he's taking reliability readings and he is climbing all over that clock. He's been doing it for about a year and a half with me now, he's thrilled to be here. He couldn't make it here today, but I'm going to bring him here next time. Kristin, when you stepped out, I said I wanted to publicly embarrass you. You'll notice that you're a line item on the agenda. Kristin, she's sitting there looking very professional and clean, but probably six months ago, in the heat of summer, she was with us and a big volunteer group from Alcoa that went up and cleaned and painted. It was about 120 degrees up there that day. So, I've seen her covered in paint and want to thank her for her efforts in moving the cause forward and her volunteer time. The next thing, it takes a team. This is one of our efforts. Here's some folks inside working, or this is before we went up to work. This is some pictures of the area like it was, as I described it over the years, but all that stuff is now gone. This is something we're very proud to be able to present to you today, and at the same time thank you for your involvement in it. This, that little, the thing that we're all looking at there, the little capsule, that is the top of that tower. If you stand and look up in the tower and look to the very top, that is a little window that you'll see letting light in. It's a little dome. So, basically, it's about a hundred plus feet up in the air. This is it. You're looking at glass with just a little bit of light coming through it, because that's glass covered in a hundred years of dirt that's surrounded by just some old two by fours that they've scavenged off the floor someplace. Huge safety issue, because when you walk up the top of those steps, one wrong step and you're through the glass and you're back down to the first floor in about one second. So amazing to me that there's never been a safety issue all these years with that potential hazard right

there. We worked with Vintage Iron Design, they volunteered their time and a lot of their efforts and money to create this.

Commissioner Kiefer: Wow!

Joe DeVoy: We're just thrilled to have that. That is a very carefully designed, laser cut, high carbon steel with powder coated red paint, and there's a little part on the top that looks like a crown. The whole thing is designed to bolt and unbolt apart if the window needs maintenance. So, that's the crew there that put the thing in with us, and thank you to them for that. Moving on, one of the biggest problems we've had down there is birds. It's like anything, if you clean something up and here comes a bird, they're going to make a big mess of it. One bird can make an enormous mess, because the unfortunate reality is they fly in, they fly up and they die there, but it takes forever for that to happen. Do that times a hundred, you've got a mess. Do that times a hundred years, you've got a real mess. So, we evicted the birds. We put up wiring and fencing. These are things I've shown you before, so I just wanted to retouch on that, but that got us to this. It's like anything, you fix one thing and you see other things that need to be fixed. We cleaned and painted the building up and it now has a second coat on it. This is when we recruited Mr. Hickrod. So, this is when he walks in with his new ideas and said, hey, you know, we should maybe paint the inside of this little clock house white so I can see what I'm doing, because he has the, like all of us, you know, the better lighting, the better things that you can see. So, we painted the inside of the clock house white. This is where Kristin really helped us out, and a whole bunch of other people of all ages. And bought Mr. Hickrod that work bench so he can store his tools and we can make things, you know, more organized and user friendly. This takes us to the next piece, a bit of a summary if you will, the cupola glass railing improvements, which you saw, are complete. The clock repairs, we, some of you may or may not have noticed, I know lots of people did. I got lots of calls and people saying, hey, what's going on with the clock? It's been at 12:00 forever. We took it apart, we took the main drive motor off and had it rebuilt locally at Flanders. We have that done about every 15 years. It's a really odd little motor, so that is now back on and complete. The clock house painted inside and out, and we also, thanks to Alcoa, bought the work bench, the ladders, so now we have nice ladders to work from, instead of something that I suspect Abraham Lincoln's grandfather built. So, that takes us to the next piece, the potential improvements. There is no lighting in the upper levels of the tower. Like if you walk in this room, you can flip that light switch by the door and you can work safely, you can see what you're doing. We usually work down there in the daytime, so it's no big deal. When we go down there at night, we have to use flashlights, and, so, anyway, these aren't things we're going to go into detail now, because there's a whole meeting in each one of these, but what's on the radar for things to improve, and these aren't high dollar improvements; new lighting with switches. I have coach lighting listed because they will look nice. The bird droppings abated, and as with any improvement, it's very easy to do the improvement, it's very hard to sustain it, especially year after year when the faces and the names change of the people around it. So, after we make certain improvements, the next phase needs to be about sustainment. We will talk through that. We would like to do that contractually and with certain signage and making sure that people understand what the standards are, regardless of who visits the area. Door enclosures, those are some other things we'll talk about later, but there's currently old fashioned, wooden hatches that you throw up with your arm. Pretty bad ergo hazard really and safety issue. Wanted to just put this on the radar. There's been mention of tours, and we know one has happened. Over the years tons and tons of people have gone up there. Once these other things are in place, tours will be a possibility, but they're a

well down the line possibility because of certain safety issues that have to be addressed ahead of time. That's okay, I would be willing to take anyone up to show them these areas, but it's pretty evident that by today's standards that we don't want just anyone walking around until a few things change, because just one or two wrong steps and you're out the window and you're down on 4th Street. We don't want that, you know. We like to take people up and bring them down safely. So, we'll talk about tours when the time is right. So, thank you for your time and your commitment to what's gotten us this far. That takes us to the next part. Today's focus area will be the abatement of, over the years with the bell being open and the hatches that I spoke of being left open, it was just a real mess. We've taken out hundreds and hundreds of, unfortunately we didn't really know the hazards of it when we were doing it, of, let's just say we've taken the mess out. The major part of the mess is out as far as what the birds had created. Which combine that with all of the trash, it's gone now, but what's left is the residue from that. We would like to take it to the next level with the painting and the lighting. To do that, we need to have the residue, and in some cases, still the build up scraped and washed and removed. So, we're asking for help to do that. Inside the scope, and I'm going to summarize here, because I don't want to go over on time, but, basically, it's from the bell level up. It's not from the red enclosure down. Those areas are pretty decent. It's from the bell up. That's four different levels, and a set of steps makes it five. So, basically, at the bell level, water blast everything. That is here, water blast the floor, the structure that holds that bell up. The bell itself, which kind of breaks your heart to have that thing covered in anything but history, let's just put it like that. That nothing should be on that anyway, so, to have that area water blasted and cleaned, that will allow us to paint the ceiling again black, and that big heavy timber structure black. There's some real cool history right there too, by the way, if you guys ever get a chance to come up. There's names carved in that. You might find your grandparents name carved in that, but anyway, clean this area up. The next area is the next level up, it's basically a large grandfather clock that takes up two stories. This is the weight stack and the bell level. It's very dark, as you can see. We do have one light bulb in that level and one on the next level. But, anyway, inside of that grey or that brownish box is the pendulum. It's not functional anymore, but it is there and we're going to keep it there, but the whole bottom of that box is full of bird remains, as well as the room itself is covered in that same residue. So, we've asked that we have the walls water blasted, the box cleaned out and the room cleaned up to a condition where we can paint. The next level, we're now standing up on top of some steps looking down on the inside of the clock level itself. The roof of that building is a real mess. This is really what got us here was Mr. Hickrod suggesting we take on some shovels, some brooms and get busy with this, but it's more than we can take on and it's really a safety issue. So, the focus inside the clock level is the floor, the walls four feet and down, the bottom round part of the clock faces themselves, we've taken the bulk of the stuff out, but this is where it needs to be swept, vacuumed and cleaned, and the, like you know about birds they like to perch. So, there's a view of the clock faces full of things. This ladder takes you from the clock level to the cupola, all the way to where the flag pole is at. Well, that's been a bird perch for however many years, so you can imagine the condition. We don't normally go up there. I've been up there a handful of times, and the guys that change the flag would, I'm sure, attest to the fact that there needs to be some clean up there. As well as, up inside of that cupola, it's hollow on the bottom, there's a structure, it was basically like a big bird house that now needs some cleaning. The project itself, we've asked, we do have three bids here today. In the meeting with the contractors we took them up and told them, we don't want them to just take a giant washer up there and blast the levels down. We want them to scrape it out, sweep it out, vacuum it out and then finish with water. So, everyone understands that and that will be in the contract language. We don't

want a whole lot of water introduced, especially at the top level. The bottom part, with the air movers, to make sure any water that is introduced gets dried over the course of the following days. I've asked them to be running for five days, 24/7. The only thing that we don't, Kristin and I when we spoke, and some different people that I've talked to, as well as Tim, the Building Manager down there, which by the way does an outstanding job. I don't know if everybody is aware of how hard that man works, but he really does do a good job. There is some electricity that runs the clock, as well as runs the tower lighting, all that electricity is going to need to be shut off and locked out and tagged out in a traditional way that things are locked out in industry. A job site usually has a lock box that all of the workers lock on to that all of the power is down and isolated and verified turned off. I'm familiar with how to do that, but don't have the, I guess you would say the credentials to do that in this application. I shouldn't be the one creating a locked box. So, I'm asking for help from the Commissioners. We have bids for the work, but we're asking for advice or guidance on the lock out/tag out, if we get to that point. So, that is all I have. I do have the job scope for, could I approach and give you these?

President Kiefer: Yes.

Joe DeVoy: Okay, which I only four of them, so I'm going to just give them to you, Mr. Kiefer.

President Kiefer: Thanks.

Joe DeVoy: You can distribute those. So, that's pretty much just a copy of what I just went through.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

Joe DeVoy: The middle portion.

Commissioner Abell: I have a question.

Joe DeVoy: Do you have the bids, Kristin? I'm sorry.

Commissioner Abell: Can I ask you a question? Realizing I know very little about what I'm going to ask you about, but, if you get water up there, are we going to have water like rolling down the outside of the walls of the Old Courthouse? Or going into somebody's ceiling in their office below?

Joe DeVoy: No.

Commissioner Abell: How is it going to be contained?

Joe DeVoy: That's a good question. If you look at the building right there, if you look at that opening where the bell is at—

Commissioner Abell: Is that where you put the wire in?

Joe DeVoy: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Joe DeVoy: There is a roof on the top of that, and everything from, from the roof of right, well, I'm sorry, now I really messed up. Basically, from the bell up is an isolated structure. It's open at the bell level and then there's floors from there on up. So, that's something we did look at, there's flashing and so forth, and the bell level, every time it rains it gets wet. Unfortunately, so many times over the years, every time it rained the inside of the building got wet. With the repair of the domes, that's no longer an issue, but it is a very legitimate question and concern. Kristin has the copies of the bids from the contractors. You gave me copies. Did we give them one as well?

Kristin Comer: I'm sorry?

Joe DeVoy: The bids from the contractors? They haven't seen them?

Kristin Comer: They haven't seen those, no.

Joe DeVoy: Okay, should I give these....okay. Okay, so we took up three contractors two weeks ago and had a walk through, and these are the bids that they submitted to Kristin. The lady that works with you, I don't know her name. So, these are the first I've seen of these. They submitted them in a closed bid fashion, and she handed these to me when I walked in today. So, I'll give these to you as well.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Joe DeVoy: Two of them are very close. One of them is off the chart different.

President Kiefer: Yeah, \$6,400. These two are about \$6,400.

Commissioner Abell: How much?

President Kiefer: About \$6,400.

Commissioner Abell: Joe, where are we going to get the money from?

Joe Gries: Well, if it's not part of your budget, you can ask for it.

Commissioner Abell: Don't we have it laying around anywhere?

Joe Gries: Nah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Why don't we do this. Can we, can the Commissioners look at these? These were quotes obtained from three environmental companies. It looks like Elite Environmental Safety Services, is that correct?

Joe DeVoy: Yes, sir.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It looks like their amount that they submitted was \$6,838. Hasgoe, another environmental company submitted a quote of \$6,760. Then Summit Environmental submitted a quote of \$16,400. I guess the Commissioners will need to see if they have the funds available, maybe the Foundation might have funds available. Maybe they would like to assist with this.

President Kiefer: Well, we have for 2015, we have money in the budget for renovation for the third floor. Maybe we can include that in the third floor renovations. But, that's—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: For next year.

President Kiefer: – for 2015 though.

Joe DeVoy: Okay.

President Kiefer: So, I do know we have that in our budget. So, we could possibly do it next year, or—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: The Foundation may have—

President Kiefer: –the Foundation may have the money to do it as well. We'll figure something out. I'm excited about it. I think the work you guys have done is invaluable. You've saved us thousands of dollars in volunteer work. I've been up there, I was quickly searching my pictures. I had a picture of myself up in the top by the flag pole.

Joe DeVoy: Oh, you've been there, okay.

President Kiefer: Yeah, but I couldn't find it quick enough. So, I know what you're talking about up there. I've been up there, so I know the work you're doing is important.

Joe DeVoy: I appreciate that. So, thank you for the opportunity. So, moving forward, what steps should we take?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, as far as these quotes, why don't the Commissioners, they might want to just take them under advisement—

Joe DeVoy: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: – and they'll figure out whether it's something the county will do or some other, or the Foundation, and then we'll get back with you after we figure out—

Joe DeVoy: Very good.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: –but, again, these are simply, this is a professional service. These are environmental services that gave you these quotes. It's not a contractor, per se, so it's basically a service to do these specific requirements. But, anyway, if there's a motion just to take these under advisement.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Joe DeVoy: Excellent. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: What does that lock down involve that you say you could do but you don't have the credentials? What do we need, an electrician?

Joe DeVoy: Yeah. An electrician, someone to, the way that it works, in short, is you lock the device out and then you put the key to that in a box, and then we would all put our locks on the box, making it impossible for someone to turn it back on while people are working in the area. So, it's not a huge job. Basically, we have the prints, we know which switches to flip, we just need someone to be an authorized person in that activity.

President Kiefer: Right.

Joe DeVoy: The contractors that would do the work, they would probably require that by their safety codes to have an authorized person in charge of the lock box.

Commissioner Abell: We might call IBEW and see if we've got some friends out there that might want to do that.

Joe DeVoy: Yeah, it's three or four breakers. They're in the attic. It's a five minute job. It's just someone identifying exactly what to do and creating the lock box.

Commissioner Abell: We can get a hold of IBEW, they could probably give us some advice on what we could do and maybe help us out.

Joe DeVoy: Very good.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Joe DeVoy: My time is up. I will be gone, as promised. I had a couple of slides there at the end with some pretty pictures, but I'll just close in saying thank you for allowing me to come here and talk to all of you today. I also want to open this up to anyone that's here today that, that's a big building and there's a lot to be done. So, anyone that has any interest in cleaning or painting or sweeping or wiring or mechanicing, or anything you want to do, the door is open. So, would love to have all of you, any of your friends, anyone that wants to be involved. So, thank you. I look forward to our next steps.

President Kiefer: Joe, thank you for your service. Appreciate it.

Joe DeVoy: Thank you, sir.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Introduction of Teen Advisory Council Job Shadows

President Kiefer: Before we move on, I forgot to mention we do have two students here with us. It's Youth Resources, correct? Grant Riordon, Freshman at Mater Dei and Sarah Heinzman a Senior at Castle. Welcome, and feel free if you've got comments during the meeting you can speak right up as well, and we'll make sure we acknowledge you. Thanks for being here.

**Permission to Advertise 2014 General Election
Vote Centers and Early Voting Locations**

President Kiefer: Next is permission to advertise 2014 General Election vote centers and early voting locations. I see Debbie Stucki is here.

Debbie Stucki: Good evening.

Commissioner Kiefer: Hi. I think last week this topic came up and you were going to come back.

Debbie Stucki: Yes, Commissioner Melcher wanted to know about finding a replacement vote center for the County Garage. I e-mailed the Indiana Election Division, and got a response from Brad King, which I forwarded to Joe Harrison. It looks like if a vote center was not used in a primary, you cannot use it in the fall.

President Kiefer: Okay. Well, that's that, and, Joe, you got a copy of that?

Debbie Stucki: He has I.C. code numbers.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, yeah, the bottom line...had we used that one and there would have been an issue at the Garage and then someone said, no, we don't want to use that we want to replace it, then we could find another one, but we didn't even use it in the primary. So, we can't add one now at this time.

President Kiefer: Okay. Good enough.

Commissioner Abell: And you won't need it next year because that's the city election, is that correct?

Debbie Stucki: Correct, correct.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: So, I guess, what they need to do is just a motion to approve publication of the vote centers and the early voting locations.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Madelyn Grayson: There was one minor change that Debbie wanted to read to you.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Oh, okay.

Debbie Stucki: On the early voting sites, when it talks about the libraries, on Fridays the hours are different, and I had it worded "all libraries on Friday noon to 5:00", excuse me, and I changed that to "all of the above libraries" so that someone would not go to a library that was not listed. I've given Madelyn the change.

Commissioner Abell: Oh.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. So, will you amend your motion as reflected?

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for approval as amended.

President Kiefer: Okay. I'll second that. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Debbie Stucki: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

<p>Purchasing: City-County Multi-Functional Device RFP Results Permission to Award & Authorize Negotiation of Contract</p>

President Kiefer: Next is Purchasing, permission to award and authorize negotiation and signing of contract for leasing a multi-functional device for city and county departments. Debbie is here to tell us about it.

Debbie Spalding: Good afternoon. You have in front of you our recommendation. The Purchasing Department has been working on this for several months. It's a long process. It would have copiers for all city and county departments. Right now the county has several different machines with Xerox. I believe there were 20 some, we had the Auditor's Office kind of look up those contracts. What this would do would be to have city and county departments have one contractor for our copy machines. We went through this process, we sent a request for proposal out to nine vendors. We also had it listed, it was in the newspaper and advertised. We did get responses from eight different vendors. That's on your list who those eight vendors were. The RFP was graded on several items, one of them was the ability of the equipment to meet minimum specifications, that was 40 percent of how we chose who we wanted to go with. The quality of service and level of guarantees of the technical qualifications was 20 percent; ease of networking equipment with our system that we have here, our IT system; the completeness of the available reports and the invoices and the vendor's references. So, we had five people on the evaluation group, two of them were from the county, Joe Gries and Karen Newman from the Auditor's Office, there were two from the city and then the IT Director, the Chief Information Officer, Mark Uhrin. So, from that, the proposals were looked at that we received, and of those proposals received we came up with five vendors that we wanted to go see the equipment. So, they were able to ask questions of those vendors and we came up with another scoring. So, we have the scoring here, if anybody wants to see it. We did meet with Joe Harrison and kind of went over the process that we came about to come up with this vendor. So, it would be our recommendation, based on those evaluations of the five people on the evaluation committee that we would recommend awarding this contract to Alpha Laser and Imaging. The pricing was a portion that was included separately. We would also be asking for your permission to enter into negotiations for the pricing. With a request

for proposal we are allowed to do that. Right now all four of the vendors that we looked at would be a savings to the county of what we are currently paying.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you very much, Debbie. Do you have any questions?

Commissioner Abell: I don't actually have any questions, but I do have some comments.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: I am real concerned about doing this, because we are not, we are at odds with the city on their IT services. It could be that if this thing doesn't get straightened out, the county and city are not going to be jointly connected with IT services. I don't know what happened with the city's ordinance, but they have proposed an ordinance that is not acceptable to the County Commissioners. I would think that we need to table this until we know where our IT is going.

President Kiefer: Okay, I'm fine with that.

Debbie Spalding: Our existing contract is good with Xerox until the end of the year. So, it wouldn't put anybody...the contract's not going to end right now.

Commissioner Abell: I would think we're going to know something by mid-October whether or not we're going to be able to get this thing worked out on this IT.

Debbie Spalding: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Has the city done anything with this yet?

Debbie Spalding: Yes. The Board of Public Works did award to Alpha Laser and Imaging.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Was that last month?

Debbie Spalding: It was two meetings ago.

Commissioner Abell: Debbie, would you feel better if we went ahead and gave permission for you to start negotiations, but don't finalize anything until we know where we're going to be with IT? Would that help you out?

Debbie Spalding: Sure, because we expect the negotiations might last a month. You know, it's not something we're going to be hurrying through.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Kiefer, how do you feel about that?

President Kiefer: No, I think that's a good idea. At least you can discuss it, and then depending upon how things pan out with the IT structure—

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, we don't want to hold you up, but by the same token we don't want to send you out there thinking you're going to get something and we aren't going to be able to do it.

Debbie Spalding: Sure.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, do you want to make a motion?

Commissioner Abell: I'll move that we give Purchasing permission to go forward with the negotiations, but no finalization at this time.

President Kiefer: I'll second that. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Debbie Spalding: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Debbie.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

<p>Superior Court: Agreements for Truancy Probation Officers (3) Commissioners: Downtown Evansville Alliance Agreement (Deferred)</p>

President Kiefer: Next under contracts, agreements and leases, Vanderburgh Superior Court independent contractor agreements for truancy probation officers with Joyce Bush, David Ballard and Bonnie J. Hertaus. The total annual amount of all three contracts is \$45,000, and sufficient funding is in place in the Juvenile Court budget to pay the contract amounts. Did I catch everything?

Bernie Faraone: Very good. Bernie Faraone with Juvenile Court. What we have before you is three independent contracts. We're asking really to change vendors, or service providers for our truancy program, where for several years the service was provided by a counseling agency called Youth Service Bureau. Youth Service Bureau merged with the local mental health center last July, and just through mutual agreement the last several weeks or so, both parties agreed not to renew the contract and Juvenile Court finds we would be better served by hiring these three independent contractors where we'll be better able to monitor their work. What truancy services are is to where Juvenile Court collaborates with the School Corporation and we try to identify early truancy patterns with grade school, middle school and high school students, and try to make successful interventions with those students, which ultimately results in less students being referred to Juvenile Court for truancy, and then less filings, delinquency petitions being filed. Ultimately, we hope that by these services being provided is that we have less kids coming to court for truancy and getting involved in the system and leading to more serious delinquent acts. The higher goal is to break into the cycle of poverty and delinquency by having educated citizens.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you, Bernie. I appreciate that. Do you have any questions?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

President Kiefer: Second. I'll ask for a roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you, Bernie.

Bernie Faraone: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Keep up the good work.

Bernie Faraone: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Next on the agenda was the Commissioners Downtown Evansville Alliance agreement.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. President, I move that we table this.

President Kiefer: That's what I was going to say. So, we are...I'll second that. We will table that to when Commissioner Melcher returns. I'll ask for a roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Next is department head reports. We have a couple of department heads, I guess, we'll have, John, do you want to go first?

John Stoll: I just have one item this evening. That's a request to approve a notice to bidders and advertise the notice to bidders for the Maryland Street bridge rehab. This would result in bids being opened on the project on October 14th.

President Kiefer: Okay. A motion please.

Commissioner Abell: Motion to approve.

President Kiefer: Second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

John Stoll: That's all I have, unless you have any questions.

President Kiefer: Gosh, that's easy tonight. Thank you, John.

John Stoll: Thanks.

Burdette Park

President Kiefer: Next, Steve Craig is here.

Steve Craig: Steve Craig, Manager of Burdette Park. The first thing I would like to bring up was that we are getting ready to put a new liner in the family pool at Burdette. We had removed from the contract the removal of the old liner to do in house, because they wanted \$14,000, and I thought that was a lot of money to do that. I wanted to report that after two weeks my employees do have it all removed and we're ready for them to put it in. So, we did save \$14,000, minus what I paid my employees, which they would have got paid anyways. So, we're up that much money. I would like to thank them for getting up there and getting it done and not having to rely on the contractor. This weekend, Saturday, September 27th we have Burdette BBQ Bands and Brew scheduled for Burdette. There will be five bands and a barbeque competition. It's 1:00-8:00 and all proceeds will go to the AmVets. The following weekend, October 4th we have what's called the Blood Moon Run, it's a new event, from 7:00-8:00 p.m. is registration at the park. The run starts at 8:30 p.m., night, and there's a \$30 entry fee and all proceeds from it will go to Burdette Park. On October 25th we will have a ride, run and walk from USI to Burdette Park. It's going to be a new event. It's preceding USI's 50th anniversary. They're going to be 50 years old next year, and we intend to have this as one of the major events toward the end of their school year, or it will be the beginning of their school year, but the end of the fiscal regular year. What it's going to have, it's called "Celebrating Our Trail". We will all come to number 18 at Burdette, we'll have hot dogs, bratwurst and all the trimmings, BBQ Grippio's, Ski's, ice cream, all the things from the west side. We are going to have a special birthday celebration, but you would have to come there to find out who's birthday we're celebrating. It's kind of a secret. It starts at 10:00 at USI, or USI ball diamonds. If you don't want to do the full three mile walk or run, because it will be three miles there and three miles back. So, you can start at the half way part and make it a little bit easier. The bicycles will take off at 10:00 from USI, they will come to Burdette and then they will proceed down into the 38 miles of trails that we have in the bottoms. The first 400 people will get free t-shirts. We intend on this being the first one, but not the last. We want to have one every

year in the fall. We're all excited about it. The last thing that I've got is that one of our dear neighbors passed away, and has been a neighbor of Burdette probably for 60 years. Their family has made it known to Burdette, or to a County Commissioner that they would like to know if we were interested in buying the house and the two acres that it sits on. This always was the wish of Mrs. Gossley. She kind of took care of everybody at the park, made cookies and cakes and, you know, we would take care of her. She said she was a damsel in distress and we would help her when she needed help, but she always took care of us. One of her wishes was that it would become part of the park. It is on the west end of it. It's completely cut off by USI on the north and the east side is cut off by Burdette. So, it's kind of putting the two acres back in the 40 acre plot that originally was where our Discovery Lodge is. I was wondering if the Commissioners would be interested in us pursuing this by getting some appraisals of it. I think, Joe, you said we needed two of them?

President Kiefer: Right. I think that's correct.

Steve Craig: That way we could find out if we would have the money to be able to purchase this property and that. I think—

President Kiefer: It would probably be less than a thousand dollars for two appraisals, I think.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, and I think that's money well spent.

Steve Craig: Yeah, and we do have money in the Parks and Recreation in the county, or the Commissioners CCD to pay for it.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Steve Craig: If that would be okay with the Commissioners.

Commissioner Abell: It would just square up your land. I think we need to pursue looking at the possibility of buying it, and the first step would be to get an appraisal. Sure.

President Kiefer: Do you want to state the motion, Joe?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, if you would be interested in making a motion to have me contact two appraisers to get two quotes.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Or three appraisers, whatever, I'll get several quotes and then bring them back to the next meeting that we can at least start the process from there to see if we want to secure their services and appraise the property. Send me an e-mail on the address and all that of the property.

Steve Craig: Well, it's 6011 Nurrenbern, but I'll send you—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Just go ahead and do that.

Steve Craig: — all the credentials off of it.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move that the County Commissioners give permission to our County Attorney to secure appraisers to do some bidding on this particular piece of property.

President Kiefer: I'll second that. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Steve Craig: That's all I have at the present time. If you have any questions.

President Kiefer: Steve, I want to add a comment. I've been to the last couple of Burdette Park Advisory Board meetings. I think you have a really good advisory board. I was really impressed about their caringness and concern for the park. I think that is good that we have that advisory board. I could tell that they have a lot of high regard for you and your crew and the work they do. So, I just want to state that publicly. I was very impressed with the advisory board, how deeply committed they are to Burdette Park.

Steve Craig: Well, I appreciate that very much.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

Steve Craig: Thank you.

New Business

President Kiefer: Is there, there is new business. We would like to set the first meeting of 2015 for January 6th. So, if we could have a motion to do that.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: Second. All in favor say aye.

Commissioner Abell: Aye.

President Kiefer: Aye. None opposed.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Old Business

President Kiefer: Is there old business?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Okay, is there public comment? All of these people sitting out in this audience, public comment? Dr. Spear, did you have anything? Thank you.

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Madelyn, if you could do the consent items.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the September 23rd meeting are as follows; we have approval of prior meeting minutes, we have the September 16, 2014 Commission meeting minutes and the September 23, 2014 Executive Session summary minutes. Employment changes for the Commissioners approval, there are two for the Health Department. The County Commissioners have sale of county owned property, quitclaim deeds for transfer to the City of Evansville. The County Auditor has the Bohannon Estates Barrett Law lien release for 11547 Bohannon Drive. The County Clerk has the August 2014 monthly report. The County Sheriff's Office has the waiver of the Old National Events Plaza rental fees for recognition and swearing in ceremony on October 13, 2014. The County Engineer has a department head report.

Dave Wedding: That number was transposed. It's the 31st of October.

Madelyn Grayson: Oh, okay, correction that swearing in ceremony is October 31, 2014 for the Sheriff's Department. The County Engineer has a department head report. Weights and Measures has the August 16th through September 15, 2014 monthly report. The County Highway Department has a work report for September 8th through 11, 2014.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Madelyn, appreciate that. Is there a motion to approve the consent items as amended by the Sheriff on the date?

Commissioner Abell: Move to accept as amended.

President Kiefer: I'll second that. All in favor say aye.

Commissioner Abell: Aye.

President Kiefer: Aye. So passed.

(Motion approved 2-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, is there anything else? Then I'll ask for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the September 16, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.
Approval of the September 23, 2014 Executive Session Summary Minutes.
Quit Claim Deeds: County Owned Property to City of Evansville (3).

Employment Changes: Health Dept. (2)

County Auditor: Bohannon Estates Barrett Law Lien Release: 11547 Bohannon Dr.

County Clerk: August 2014 Monthly Report.

Sheriff: Waiver of ONEP Fees/Not OT for Recognition/Swearing in Ceremony.

County Engineer: Department Head Report.

County Highway: Work Report for 9/8-9/11/14.

Weights & Measures: August 16- September 15, 2014 Monthly Report.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Joe Gries
Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer	Madelyn Grayson
Joe DeVoy	Debbie Stucki	Debbie Spalding
Bernie Faraone	John Stoll	Steve Craig
Dave Wedding	Others Unidentified	Members of Media

**VANDERBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Joe Kiefer, President

Marsha Abell, Vice President

(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OCTOBER 14, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 14th day of October, 2014 at 5:01 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good evening. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for October 14, 2014.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would like to ask Ashley Keller, a Junior from Mater Dei, to lead us in the Pledge please.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you, Ashley.

Introduction of Teen Advisory Council Job Shadows

President Kiefer: Before we get started, I would like to introduce Makeyla Karcher, a Junior. Would you like to say hello into the mic.

Makeyla Karcher: Hello.

President Kiefer: Alright, and then Ashley Keller. They're both from Mater Dei and they're with Youth Resources and they're shadowing the County Commissioners tonight.

Welcome Back to Commissioner Stephen Melcher

President Kiefer: Oh, yes, and also I want to welcome back Commissioner Melcher tonight.

(Applause)

President Kiefer: Good to have you back here tonight, Stephen. Thank you.

**Permission to Open Bids: VC14-10-01: Maryland St. Bridge
Postponed Until the October 28, 2014 Meeting**

President Kiefer: I would to first say that we are not, I think we're postponing the permission to open bids on the Maryland Street bridge. So, that's being taken off the agenda.¹

¹Postponement date discussed under County Engineer's Department Head Report.

Suicide Prevention Awareness Proclamation

President Kiefer: Next is the action items. We have a proclamation, it's National Long Term Care and Residents' Rights. Steve Lockyear is here, I believe. Steve, do you want to get up and say anything about this? You're not expecting this?

Steve Lockyear: I'm here for the proclamation for the suicide prevention and awareness.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Steve Lockyear: We have a local group of people that spend a lot of time in the community to treat and prevent those individuals from committing suicide, and try and help those individuals that have issues in treating them. With that being said, in the past two months we have not had any suicides in Vanderburgh County. It's one of the longest stretches we've ever had. This group is very, very important in that aspect and I think they need to be honored.

President Kiefer: Yes, thank you, and I apologize, my, I had a little mix up on my agenda item there. So, I apologize. Yes, what I would like to do, and, you know, Steve, I don't know if you have a copy of the proclamation, or I can read it, one or the other.

Steve Lockyear: I would appreciate it if you would read it. I do not have a copy.

President Kiefer: Okay. I'll read this proclamation, Suicide Prevention Awareness, and I do know that Sheriff Wedding had been working with you on this as well.

Steve Lockyear: And we have a lot of people here that are the important parts of that.

President Kiefer: Okay. Could you, everybody that's involved with the suicide prevention awareness please stand up.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: You might want to recognize them.

President Kiefer: Okay, this is great. Steve, could you introduce everybody so we could recognize them.

Steve Lockyear: How about we let them introduce themselves, so I don't get in trouble and we will start with Janie Chappell.

Janie Chappell: I'm the Chairperson—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Come on up.

President Kiefer: Come on up to the mic, and you can just give a five second blurb about—

Janie Chappell: Is that all?

President Kiefer: Okay, 15.

Janie Chappell: Wow. Hello, I'm Janie Chappell, I'm the Manager of Community Services and Business Development at Deaconess Crosspointe. I'm also the Chairperson of the Southwestern Indiana Suicide Prevention Coalition. Thank you very much for having us here.

President Kiefer: Thank you. I appreciate the work that you do.

Janie Chappell: Thank you.

President Kiefer: If everybody would come up and then we can just kind of quickly go through everybody that's been involved. This is important because, I don't know how many people know, but I know you do that there is a lot of people, we've had issues with suicide and for us to be able to go the entire month of September without one single suicide in our community is really big. So, if everybody could just introduce themselves.

Becky Glines: Hi, I'm Becky Glines, Director of Marketing at Southwestern Healthcare and I have with me Mike Carroll, President/CEO of Southwestern Healthcare. I'm actually a former employee of the County Commissioners, back when I was in college, and I lost my father to suicide. So, when I came to Southwestern I was able to start a 24 hour suicide prevention hotline for this city and our county for people to call for help.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Mike Carroll: Like Becky said, I'm Mike Carroll from Southwestern. You know, we have a large staff, we have 24 call lines at both Mulberry Center and Southwestern Behavioral Healthcare, which is our community mental health center. We invest a lot in marketing and billboards for our suicide hotline, and, you know, we care. That's what our job is to improve the mental health of folks in our community. So, privileged to be here today. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Emily Reidford: Hi, I'm Emily Reidford with Mental Health America of Vanderburgh County. We actually run a survivors of suicide support group. It's for family and friends who are grieving the loss of a suicide death. It's free, open to the public and anyone can come and attend if they've had a suicide death in their lives. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thanks.

Kent Leslie: Hello, I'm Kent Leslie with Deaconess Crosspointe Psychiatric Hospital, one of the committee members, and I just would like to thank you for helping us in this effort to prevent suicide.

Adam Grove: My name is Adam Grove. I'm an officer at the Vanderburgh County jail. I'm on our peer support team with the Sheriff's Office and I also volunteer with the Suicide Prevention Coalition and the Hope Team.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Dave Wedding: Sheriff Dave Wedding. Commissioner Kiefer and Steve Lockyear we met a few weeks ago and we spoke about the suicides here in Vanderburgh County, we were concerned. I know as a Sheriff, I personally can't do anything about

it myself, but with this large group of people here, I think if we keep meeting and planning and putting our plan into place, we can do something here in Vanderburgh County to make it a better place and treat people with mental disorders. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Sheriff.

Sam Preston: I'm Lieutenant Sam Preston. I'm our Crisis Intervention Coordinator, as well as a Suicide Coalition member.

Janie Chappell: Can I say something else?

President Kiefer: Sure.

Janie Chappell: They're used to this. I do this all the time. I just wanted to mention, Adam talked about being on the Hope Team, and that's a new initiative that we began just about a couple of months ago. That's a group of people who volunteer to actually go to the death scene of people who have died by suicide. We do that because once someone loses someone to suicide, their risk rate automatically goes up about six times. So, one of our prevention efforts is to try and get those folks who have lost someone to suicide to get help more quickly. The average time before Hope Teams were developed was about ten years. Which is a long time to suffer from a death by suicide, if you've lost a loved one. Now, it's been shown that it's reduced to about four months. So, we're hopeful that is going to be the case in our community also. We couldn't do this without the help of the Coroner's Office, the Sheriff's Department and the EPD. So, we're really pleased to be able to work together as a community with all of those entities.

President Kiefer: Well, I know the County Commissioners are also interested in helping do what they can do to reduce that incident of suicide. So, we'll do our part as well. I want to apologize. In my excitement to have everybody come up on the proclamation, I failed to take attendance for tonight's meeting. That's not the first time I've done something like this.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: So, we'll just quickly do roll call, and then I'll do the proclamation.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here.

Reading & Approval of Suicide Prevention Awareness Proclamation
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President Kiefer: Thank you. Sorry about that. Okay, I'm going to do the proclamation:

“Suicide Prevention Awareness. Whereas, mental health is essential to everyone’s overall health and well being; and, Whereas, mental health problems can affect all areas of a person’s life, including school, home and work; and, Whereas, September is recognized as National Suicide Prevention Month; and, Whereas, Vanderburgh County’s suicide rate has continuously exceeded national averages; and, Whereas, through the exhausting efforts of local organizations there has not been a suicide in Vanderburgh County for two months; and, Whereas, those suffering from depression and those thinking of suicide should be aware of support available in their community; and, Whereas, we as a community care. Now, Therefore, we the Board of Commissioners of Vanderburgh County, Indiana, do hereby proclaim the success of the Suicide Prevention organizations and their dedication to this community.”

President Kiefer: Dated this 14th day of October, 2014; Joe Kiefer, President; Marsha Abell, Vice President, and Stephen Melcher, Member. Is there a motion to approve this proclamation?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much. We’ll sign this, and, you know, get a copy out to you guys. I’ll get it to Steve and he can circulate it around. Thank you very much, and please keep up the good work. Thank you.

(Applause)

National Long Term Care & Residents’ Rights Proclamation

President Kiefer: Okay, now we’ll have Voices, I think somebody from Voices is here for National Long Term Care and Residents’ Rights. Is there somebody here for that? Hi, you can state your name and address please.

Michelle Motta: Michelle Motta, 1709 Bellemeade Avenue, Evansville.

Rachel Wambach: I'm Rachel Wambach.

President Kiefer: Okay, and you're with Voices?

Michelle Motta: Yes, I'm the Executive Director of Voices. We thank you very much for giving us the opportunity to be here today, and also for the proclamation to bring awareness to how important it is for the folks in long term care facilities to have their rights and for their rights to be fought for. That's what Voices does. There are about 1,900 long term care residents in Vanderburgh County in 19 facilities. The things that happen in the facilities can be, we've had suicide in facilities before. We have people who are being abused and neglected. Everywhere from that to where people are looking for long term care, we try to help them to work through the process, to answer questions that they have to be informed consumers to find a place that's going to be a good fit for them, and everything in between we help with. This is our President, Rachel Wambach, and we are, this is, we are a very small agency, we don't have the posse like the previous folks did. It's myself, it's a part time person and a Board of Directors that provides the services for the elders in the facilities in Vanderburgh County.

President Kiefer: Well, I just want to tell you from my life experience of having a mother that worked in a nursing home as a registered nurse her entire working career, I do appreciate what you guys do and what good long term healthcare and nursing care does for our community. So, I thank you for that. I would like to read this proclamation, but before I do that, do any of the Commissioners have any comments? Okay. This is a proclamation for National Long Term Care and Residents' Rights Month: Better Staffing: The Key to Better Care:

"Whereas, there are more than 1.6 million individuals in 16,000 nursing homes, and one million individuals living in 50,000 board and care/assisted living facilities in the U.S.; and, Whereas, over 2,000 such individuals reside in Vanderburgh County; and, Whereas, the federal Nursing Home Reform Act of 1987 guarantees residents their individual rights in order to promote and maintain their dignity and autonomy; and, Whereas, all residents should be aware of their rights so they may be empowered to live with dignity and self determination; and, Whereas, we wish to honor and celebrate these citizens, to recognize their rich individuality, and to encourage residents and others to be educated about staffing and long term care; and, Whereas, individuals and groups across the country will be celebrating Residents' Rights Month with the theme, "Better Staffing: The Key to Better Care", to emphasize the importance of affirming these rights through facility practices, public policy and resident-centered decision making. Now, Therefore, be it resolved the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners, do so proclaim that the month of October 2014, be National Long Term Care and Residents' Rights Month."

President Kiefer: Dated this 14th day of October 2014, Board of Commissioners of Vanderburgh County. Joe Kiefer, President; Marsha Abell, Vice President and Stephen R. Melcher, Member, and I forgot to add last time, Joe Gries, Vanderburgh County Auditor. Is there a motion to approve please?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: I vote yes, and I hope that the exposure you get tonight on television will help you in your endeavors to maybe get more volunteers to help you.

Michelle Motta: Thank you. We would love that.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I'm also going to vote yes, because I like your organization and what you do. With 17 years on the City Council, I've supported you through the block grants.

Michelle Motta: Thank you.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: I'll vote yes, and appreciate and thank you for your work. I'm glad to do this proclamation, you deserve it, and thank you very much.

Michelle Motta: Thank you for the honor.

President Kiefer: We'll sign this and get a copy over to you. You can come up maybe after we get it all signed and get it.

Michelle Motta: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

(Applause)

President Kiefer: Those are the fun things for tonight. We'll go on to more serious, I mean, not more serious, but more tasking matters here.

<p>First Reading of Vacation Ordinance CO.V-10-14-004: Vacation of Lake Maintenance & Storm Drainage Easement: 4019 Archer Drive: Lot 18 of Windham Estates Subdivision</p>
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President Kiefer: First reading of vacation ordinance CO,V-10-14-004 and permission to advertise notice of public hearing for vacation of lake maintenance and storm drainage easement on Lot 18 of Windham Estates, 4019 Archer Drive. Now, this is just a motion to approve first reading of the vacation ordinance CO.V-10-14-004 and this will move it on to Area Plan.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No.

President Kiefer: No?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, this will end up coming back in two weeks—

President Kiefer: Oh.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: – and it will be advertised as well.

President Kiefer: Okay, I've got ya. Okay, this is a motion to approve first reading for the vacation ordinance.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move to approve first reading.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

<p>Permission to Advertise Notice of Public Hearing for Vacation Ordinance CO.V-10-14-004: Lot 18, Windham Estates</p>

Madelyn Grayson: And we have permission to advertise it as well.

President Kiefer: Yeah, I'm asking for a motion for permission to advertise and schedule public hearing for this vacation petition for Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

Commissioner Abell: I'll amend my motion to include the permission to advertise, as well as the petition for the public hearing.

Commissioner Melcher: I will amend mine also.

President Kiefer: Okay. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes. Okay, thank you.

(Motion approved 3-0)

**Public Hearing and Final Reading of Vacation Ordinance CO.V-10-14-003:
Vacation of Lake Maintenance & Storm Detention Easement:
15000 Foundation Drive: Lot 8 of Vanderburgh Industrial Park**

President Kiefer: Public hearing and final reading of vacation ordinance CO.V-10-14-003, vacation of lake maintenance and storm detention easement at 15000 Foundation Drive, Lot eight of Vanderburgh County Industrial Park. Is there somebody here to speak about this? Come on up. This is....yeah, I'll let you go ahead and say a few things.

Commissioner Abell: Do you want me to make a motion and second and then have the public hearing?

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move to approve.

President Kiefer: Okay. Is there a second?

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Commissioner Abell: No.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Let him talk.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, it's a public hearing.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay. Thank you.

Matt Wallace: My name is Matt Wallace and I'm with the Lochmueller Group at 6200 Vogel Road here in Evansville. I'm the Project Manager for this project. If you recall the Vanderburgh Industrial Park wanted to build a speculative warehouse building on this property, and to do so we needed to vacate a portion of the lake maintenance and storm detention easement and modify the drainage plan for that subdivision. We did that this summer, or late spring and the construction on that building is nearly complete. We've been in conversation with the County Surveyor, we are going to provide an as-built survey for the changes that we made to the County Surveyor's Office. We have that scheduled, we just don't have the field work on that done yet, but that was requested by Mr. Mueller and we'll be able to comply with that here shortly. If you have any specific questions as to this project, I'm here to try to get an answer for you.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Now, we have, the County Surveyor is here, Jeff Mueller.

Jeff Mueller: Yes, Mr. Kiefer, I just wanted to add, you know, this drainage plan was approved March 18, 2014. So, the vacation they're asking for complies with what

was planned in March. So, this was all part of this overall plan to amend the drainage ordinance² and then to vacate some of the areas to allow for the building to go in too. So, I support their proposal.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Is there anybody, are there any remonstrators that would like to get up and make any public statements? Any remonstrators? Anybody else one way or the other. Any public comment at all? Okay. So, with that, if that's the case, Joe, we can go ahead and vote then?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yep.

President Kiefer: Is there any other discussion amongst Commissioners?

Commissioner Abell: Not me.

President Kiefer: Okay, then I'll ask for a roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Matt Wallace: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you very much.

**Osiris Studios OCH Lease Agreement
Simply Savvy Photography OCH Lease Renewal
Health Dept: Little Lambs Partnership Agreement
Health Dept: WIC Grant Agreement Renewal**

President Kiefer: Okay, under contracts, agreements and leases, the County Commissioners, Old Courthouse leases, Old Courthouse lease with Robert Iglehart and Kelsey McDonald, Osiris Studios for suite B9. This is a one year lease for suite B9, that's in the basement by the way. It starts November 1, 2014 and runs through October 31, 2015. Monthly rent payments of \$460 per month will be made to the county. I recommend this because it is basement space and they're taking it as is, and it's not, it's just extra income for us. Any discussion? I would ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

²Should be drainage plan.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next we have an Old Courthouse lease with Simply Savvy Photography, LLC and Kayla Jean Photography, LLC, move from suite 114 to suite 106. This is a 15 month lease agreement with a current tenant who's moving to a smaller space but will continue to pay the current rental rate of \$852.66 for the remainder of the current contract term, which runs through January 2015. The rate for the remaining 12 months of the new agreement running from February 1 through January 31, 2016 will be \$760 per month. The rate per square foot has not gone down, it's just they're taking a smaller space.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think it's \$740 a month.

President Kiefer: \$740? Okay. I'm sorry. My notes said \$760. \$740 per month. If you're okay with this, no other discussion, I'll ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second. I did have a question. So, they're going to move right away, but they'll continue, their rent, they're going to pay a hundred—

President Kiefer: They're going to finish out their obligation.

Commissioner Abell: – and ten dollars more a month than what they have to—

President Kiefer: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: – for where they are?

President Kiefer: Right.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: \$852.66 a month for the next three months, then they're going down to \$740 a month for the next 12 months.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. I would think that it would be fair though, if we are able to rent that, like January 1 we should not charge them. You know, if we're able to rent it we should—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Right.

Commissioner Abell: – tell them, you know, they can go back to...they only have to pay that as long as it's empty.

President Kiefer: Right.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Right. That's fair enough. We can amend something if that should occur.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, if they end up coming back. I mean, if it gets leased out between now and then they'll get a credit.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

President Kiefer: That could happen.

Commissioner Abell: That would be the only fair way, I think, would be.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: We'll make note of that, and I would like to ask for...did we already, yeah–

Joe Harrison, Jr.: A motion and a second, no vote.

President Kiefer: Okay, can we vote please?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next is the County Health Department, Little Lambs of Evansville, Inc, Partnership–

Madelyn Grayson: Your microphone is not on.

President Kiefer: Oh, sorry. County Health Department, Little Lambs of Evansville, Inc. Partnership. One year contract whereby the County Health Department will participate in supporting parent education, nutrition education, volunteer support and

financial assistance of \$200 to help promote Little Lambs Store voucher program. Since we have a celebrity here that's been in the newspaper from the Fall Festival, Chris, do you want to tell us about the program.

Chris Borowiecki: You're too kind. Thank you. Dr. Spear apologizes for not being able to come. He's in an out of town meeting. So, he asked me to step in. For the Little Lambs program, it's just a, I think it's a church that we have close by at the Health Department that they offer car seats and other supplies for families. So, the Health Department employees, they actually gather the money and then donate that.

President Kiefer: Okay, it sounds—

Chris Borowiecki: (Inaudible) system for that.

President Kiefer: — like a good program. So, we need a motion to approve this. Is there a motion to approve the one year contract?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next is the USDA WIC grant agreement. The Health Department receives a grant agreement each year. This new grant agreement will start October 1, 2014, and end on September 30, 2015. The grant will be for \$606,368.66 to be used for WIC programs and eligible Vanderburgh County women, infants and children. Does that pretty much cover it?

Chris Borowiecki: Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay. Are there any questions?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Chris Borowiecki: Thank you.

President Kiefer: That was easy, wasn't it?

Chris Borowiecki: It was. Thank you.

President Kiefer: So, did you get to sample the food when you were out there at the Fall Festival testing every one of those places?

Chris Borowiecki: I didn't sample every one, but we were pretty busy working down there and we enjoyed the food. It was good at lunch time.

President Kiefer: Okay. Good deal. Thanks.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Department head reports. Is there anybody here? John?

John Stoll: I've got two items this evening. The first is street plan approval request for Kinway Park Subdivision. This is a residential subdivision that's on the north side of Heckel Road immediately west of the Convention and Visitor Bureau's project. I reviewed the plans, the consultant made the changes I'd asked. The right-of-way issue that I had mentioned in the e-mail that I sent all of the Commissioners this morning, that has since been resolved. They did change the right-of-way to 50 feet, rather than 40 feet. So, I recommend approval of the street plans for Kinway Park.

President Kiefer: Is there any discussion, questions? I need a motion to approve then.

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: The second item I have is a contract for the design, right-of-way engineering and construction inspection for the reconstruction of Green River Road between Boonville-New Harmony Road and St. Road 57. This contract is with American Structurepoint, and the fee for those services is \$857,010. The County Attorney, Joe Harrison, has reviewed the contract and he said it was acceptable. The consultant made the changes we had requested, and this is the last of the east side TIF district projects that's not currently under contract. So, I would request approval of the contract so that we can get the last segment of Green River Road underway.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Looking forward to seeing that work get accomplished. That would be great to have it all finished up there. I'll vote yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Thanks. One thing too that I would like to mention. The Maryland Street bids, in case anybody is wanting to know the deadline, the deadline for submitting those bids will be October 28th, your next Commissioners meeting at 5:00 p.m. This was just to allow some additional time for some late questions that came into play from some of the bidders. So, it won't affect our construction duration. We weren't expecting to start the work until next spring. So, I just wanted to elaborate on that and state the new bid date on the record.

Madelyn Grayson: So, I don't need to re-advertise that then in the newspaper?

President Kiefer: Um, it seems like you would.

John Stoll: We haven't in the past.

Madelyn Grayson: I don't think we have.

John Stoll: I just notified the existing plan holders—

Madelyn Grayson: Okay.

John Stoll: —they're all aware of it. I don't think we've ever re-advertised any of those.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, that's fine. You've been in contact with all of the potential bidders?

John Stoll: Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

John Stoll: Thanks.

President Kiefer: Thank you, John.

New Business

President Kiefer: Under new business, the County Auditor, open enrollment dates set for November 3rd through 14th. Joe Gries?

Joe Gries: Yes, we're asking the Commissioners to set the open enrollment period for the 2015 insurance, any changes that the employees need to make would be made for November 3rd through the 14th. Also, as a reminder, we have a new tool this year that we've been working on with Aflac. They're creating an online enrollment tool that will allow county employees to go online, see all of the different insurance and benefits that are, benefit packages that are available to them, and they can sign up through that open enrollment site. That information will then come to the Auditor's Office, we'll make those changes within the payroll system and move forward with that next year. The timing of training for employees will be the last week of October, just before the open enrollment period. The Auditor's Office will be sending out notices and information to all county employees within the next weeks.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Joe. I would also like to add regarding the health insurance for next year, I met with Tony Flittner of Torian Hofmann and Dillow, our insurance agent, he is suggesting to me that we may want to go ahead and vote, prior to November 1st, because our current insurance provider is requiring that, but he said that doesn't bind us to it, it just locks in the rate. If we decide we want to go with a different provider, we can.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Can we get that info at the next meeting?

President Kiefer: Yeah, I think he would bring it to the next meeting, but we would have to vote on it by the next meeting, because November 1st, but anyway—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: What does that do lock us in on the rates?

President Kiefer: It locks us in on the rate, but it doesn't lock us in contractually that we have to use them. It just says—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: We've got the rates if we want them?

President Kiefer: We've got the rates if we want to use them, if we decide, if we choose to use them as our provider again. So, but I would encourage any Commissioners that want to contact Tony to contact him and discuss that with him.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: And, you can talk to him to get that information to us?

President Kiefer: Yes, yes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Or, to you or to the Auditor.

President Kiefer: As a matter of fact....yes. As a matter of fact, I think I have something back in my office, I'll make sure I get to....that everybody gets a copy of it. Okay, old business, I believe Joe Harrison—

Madelyn Grayson: We didn't vote on the open enrollment.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah.

President Kiefer: Oh, we need to vote on that? Okay. I thought that was just—

Joe Gries: We appreciate when the Commissioners set that time frame.

President Kiefer: Okay. Then, I'll ask for a motion to approve the open enrollment dates set November 3rd through the 14th.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

President Kiefer: Opposed? None, so, that's approved.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Old Business

President Kiefer: Okay, now we'll move on to old business. I believe Joe Harrison, Jr. has something.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think it was the last meeting or the meeting before, Steve Craig was here and indicated that a neighbor along Nurrenbern Road at 6111—

President Kiefer: Yes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: —the house, I think the person had passed away maybe and the estate was interested in maybe selling the house to the county, because that was the wishes of the decedent, I suppose. So, I obtained two quotes for the same amount of money from David Matthews and Associates and from Appraisal

Consultants. They each gave me a quote of \$500 to do an appraisal. We would have to have two appraisals done on that property, and then we could see if it's something that the county would like to make an offer on thereafter. So, if these two appraisal quotes are fine, they're both the same, then I'll get back with David Matthews and Associates and with Appraisal Consultants to begin that process.

President Kiefer: I think it's a good idea, I mean, for the money we're spending, this property's located and wrapped around by Burdette Park, and I think it would be wise for us to at least consider purchasing it, since it's within our property boundaries, you know, or next to our property boundaries. So, I would like to ask for a motion to approve hiring the appraisers.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think we can pull the money out of Burdette, maybe that one Revolving—

Joe Gries: Yes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: — the one Fund.

Joe Gries: Absolutely.

President Kiefer: Does it say how long it would take to get those appraisals?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: They didn't tell me, but I assume we'll get it within 30 days.

President Kiefer: Okay, I would love, you know, be able to know something prior to the end of the year.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Sure.

President Kiefer: Okay, thanks. Madelyn, if you could do the consent items.

Public Comment

Madelyn Grayson: Is there any public comment?

President Kiefer: Oh, yes, thank you. Man, I'm really mixing up on this agenda tonight. Is there any public comment? I see a lot of nice people out here tonight, maybe somebody wanted to say something.

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Okay, now we'll do consent items.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the October 14th meeting are as follows; we have approval of prior meeting minutes, we have the September 23, 2014 Commissioners meeting minutes and the October 14, 2014 Executive Session summary minutes. Employment changes for the Commissioners approval, we have two for the County Highway. The County Commissioners have the 2016, 2017 and 2018 holiday schedules. We have the NACCHO breastfeeding grant support letter for the Vanderburgh County Health Department. We have sale of county owned property, quit claim deeds for 820 Jackson Avenue, 443 S. Denby, 639 S. Norman with a purchase agreement and 1414 Ewing Avenue. We also have sale of county owned properties to the City of Evansville, quit claim deeds for 955 E. Blackford, 1673 S. Elliott and a corrective deed for 506 Jefferson Avenue. Evansville ARC has the August 2014 monthly report. The County Auditor has approval of the September 2014 A/P vouchers. The County Engineer has a department report. The County Treasurer has the August 2014 monthly report. The County Soil and Water Conservation District has the September 2014 monthly report and the County Highway has work reports for September 15th through 18th, September 22nd through 25th and September 29th through October 2, 2014.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Madelyn. Is there a motion to approve the consent items?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

First Reading of Rezoning Ordinance: VC-7-2014
Petitioner: J.J. Brodi, LLC
Address: 4504 & 4510 Heckel Road
Request: Change from Ag, R-3 & C-4 with UDC to C-4
Action: Approved 3-0 to Send to APC

President Kiefer: Okay, next we have rezoning, first reading of rezoning ordinance VC-7-2014 to send to Area Plan Commission. The petitioner is J.J. Brodi, LLC, 4504 and 4510 Heckel Road. This is a change from R-3 and C-4 with a UDC to C-4.³ Also, I would like to note that I have a conflict of interest on this particular property, since I represent the seller, or the petitioner, J.J. Brodi. The property is for sale and I represent them. So, I'm going to abstain from voting on this, but I would like to ask for a motion to approve this rezoning ordinance—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: For first reading.

President Kiefer: – for a first reading, VC-7-2014 and send to the APC for their November 13th meeting.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, we have a first and second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Abstain.

(Motion approved 2-0. Commissioner Kiefer abstained.)

Final Reading of Rezoning Ordinance: VC-5-2014 as Amended
Petitioner: SM Properties Darmstadt, LLC c/o The DESCO Group
Address: 13051 Hwy. 41 North
Request: Change from Ag to C-4 with UDC
Action: Approved 3-0

President Kiefer: Next is the final reading of rezoning ordinance VC-5-2014 as amended. The petitioner is SM Properties Darmstadt, LLC in care of The DESCO

³Property is also partially zoned Ag. Property description for petition will be amended at final reading.

Group. This is 13051 Highway 41 North. It's a change from Ag to C-4 with a use and development commitment. Area Plan summary statement please.

Janet Greenwell: There's not a lot to say. The petitioner has requested to rezone 1.6 acres and it's immediately adjacent north of the eight acres that's to become Schnucks North Subdivision. I believe they acquired this possibly with the intent to put a drive on to Highway 41, moving it further away from Boonville-New Harmony for safety reasons. I mean, I don't know what their intent is, but that's what the end result will be. I did, I told Marco earlier, I could not find, I saw, I've been on vacation, okay, and I came in this morning and I said, oh my gosh, there's a use and development commitment. So, I sent it out to all of our APC members, Mr. Melcher, this morning. I did get one reply back. I know that you all want them to at least see and have an opportunity to comment. I got one comment back from Lynn Lowe, who said that she believes that the use and development commitment amendment is reasonable and reassuring to the neighbors. I apologize for getting it out so late, but I was out of town. So, they did see it. I don't know if they contacted any of you. I did give all of them your e-mail addresses if they had any comments. I believe the new use and development commitment pretty much mirrors the previous one that was done for the Schnucks property, the eight acres to the south. I was a little concerned when I read that there wouldn't be anything east or north of the proposed drive, and I scrambled to find a site plan, and, I believe, if you'll look at your screen, this is the driveway that they're talking about. It is on this, right along here. APC heard this on August 14, 2014 and they recommended approval with ten yes votes and one abstention, with the understanding that there would be a use and development commitment filed. That use and development commitment appears to be exactly what, you know, they had presented that they would do. That it would be similar to the one that was filed for Schnucks.

Commissioner Abell: I am assuming that that will be a right hand turn only out of that driveway.

Janet Greenwell: I'll let Mr. DeLucio speak to that. I know there was some concern, and I know that they asked INDOT. I don't know what the reply was. They asked INDOT for a crossover, but I don't know what the answer is.

Commissioner Abell: Well, they just took one out up there.

Janet Greenwell: I know. Well, luckily, adding this property actually increases the safety issue, because it moves it, any entry, even if it's right turn in, right turn out, it moves it further away from Boonville-New Harmony.

Commissioner Abell: Sure, yeah.

Janet Greenwell: That is a better solution than putting it any closer.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, and I'm sure to do left, they're going to go out and go down to the traffic light at Boonville-New Harmony.

Janet Greenwell: Right.

President Kiefer: We'll ask for the petitioner comments. I see Marco DeLucio is here.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: All those who wish to speak on this petition please raise your right hand, anybody in the audience. Do you swear, affirm that the testimony you're about to give is true and accurate so help you God?

All: I do.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Thank you.

Marco DeLucio: Good evening, Commissioners. My name is Marco DeLucio. I'm here this evening on behalf of SM Properties Darmstadt, which is the petitioner. A couple of things I'm going to quickly hand out, because I thought we had a Power Point presentation, but we don't. So, I do have a drawing that I will hand to you so you can follow the presentation. It mainly concerns the access, which Commissioner Abell was speaking of.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Commissioner Melcher: Thank you.

Marco DeLucio: If you'll flip that around to where you can see the conceptual, the word "conceptual" that appears in the bottom left hand corner, I'll orient you. You see Highway 41 and Boonville-New Harmony. Above that intersection is where the current access point is along Boonville-New Harmony Road. You'll see where the proposed Schnucks building is going to be located with the parking lot. Then the property that we're seeking to rezone this evening is further north, and you'll see the road coming out there. There's an existing residential driveway at that point right now. Schnucks is aware, SM Properties is aware that they need to have permission to turn that into a commercial driveway, and there's been traffic studies done, submissions made to INDOT. I believe INDOT has shared that information with the local MPO. There's been discussions about whether that's right in, right out. What I can tell you, Commissioner Abell, is there's some suggestion that there may be reason to have a left turn in for folks coming south on Highway 41 to come into that entrance as well, and that's being evaluated by all; by INDOT, by the local MPO as to whether or not that would be a viable solution. SM Properties believes, and I think the traffic study points out that that would indeed improve traffic flow in that area and that it would take traffic that would be at the intersection of Boonville-New Harmony and Highway 41, at least some of that, and have entrances and exits at that location. There won't be a left out coming from that location. So, there is some discussion on that, that requires the approval of INDOT, that requires input from the MPO, and those are currently being discussed right now. With me this evening is Dave Fontana from Schnucks; Jim Farney who is the local Project Engineer; Jack Zoar who represents, who's the personal representative for the estate of the seller and his son, John, are here and Don Fuchs, the attorney for the seller as well. We're happy to answer any questions you might have concerning access, concerning the use and development commitment. What I can tell you is, it's very nearly identical to what the use and development commitment is to the south. What we have committed to do, I guess, further on this property is to not have any commercial development either north of that proposed roadway on the property that's being rezoned or east. So, if there's any development it will just be on the south side and the west side of that road. It will be added to, this parcel will be added to this subdivision, which is to the south, which is where Schnucks is going to be. That's currently going through a replat process now. So, it won't be kind of a stand alone development in that area. As Janet indicated, this was presented to the Plan Commission, was unanimously approved, we have letters in the file from two of the adjacent property owners. Jim

Thomas from German American Bank, which owns property within this subdivision spoke in favor of this. We have spoken with several of the adjacent property owners, which led to the use and development commitment, as well as the request from the Plan Commission, to address their concerns. So, we believe we've done our homework on this and would respectfully request your approval of this rezoning request, and we're happy to answer any questions you may have.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Mr. DeLucio, I appreciate that. Are there questions from the Commissioners?

Commissioner Abell: I guess, what I'm trying to find out, you're not seeking INDOT's approval to put a traffic light there?

Marco DeLucio: At, on 41?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Marco DeLucio: No.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Are there any remonstrators here present? Anybody who wants to remonstrate against this petition? If not, I will ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: I move for a motion to approve it.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Marco DeLucio: Thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Marco DeLucio: Appreciate it.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Let's see what we have here, I guess, that was the last item, but, I think, before we adjourn, Commissioner Abell, was there something you wanted to, any other topics you wanted to discuss before we adjourn? I didn't know if you wanted to—

Commissioner Abell: (Inaudible. Microphone not on.)

President Kiefer: Okay, I'll ask for a motion to adjourn then.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the September 23, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.

Approval of the October 14, 2014 Executive Session Summary Minutes.

2016, 2017 & 2018 Holiday Schedules.

NACCHO Breastfeeding Grant Support Letter for Health Dept.

Quit Claim Deeds: 820 Jackson; 443 S. Denby; 639 S. Norman & 1414 Ewing.

Quit Claims Deeds to DMD: 955 E. Blackford; 1673 S. Elliott & 506 Jefferson.

Evansville ARC: August 2014 Monthly Report.

SWCD: September 2014 Monthly Report & Meeting Minutes.

Employment Changes:

County Highway (2)

Sheriff (2)

Public Defender (1)

Assessor (1)

Circuit Court (1)

Superior Court (8)

County Clerk (2)

County Auditor: Approval of September 2014 A/P Vouchers.

County Engineer: Department Report.

County Treasurer: August 2014 Monthly Report.

County Highway: Work Reports: 9/15-18; 9/22-25 & 9/29-10/2/14.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer

Marsha Abell

Stephen Melcher

Joe Gries

Joe Harrison, Jr.

Rachel Kitterman

Madelyn Grayson

Ashley Keller

Makeyla Karcher

Steve Lockyear

Janie Chappell

Becky Glines

Mike Carroll

Emily Reidford

Kent Leslie

Adam Grove

Dave Wedding

Sam Preston

Michelle Motta

Rachel Wambach

Matt Wallace

Jeff Mueller

Chris Borowiecki

John Stoll

Janet Greenwell

Marco DeLucio

Others Unidentified

Members of Media

**VANDERBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Stephen Melcher, Member

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**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OCTOBER 28, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 28th day of October, 2014 at 5:02 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good afternoon. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for October 28, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here. Thank you.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: Next we would like to do the Pledge of Allegiance. I would like to ask Tony Flittner to lead us in the Pledge.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you, Tony.

Permission to Open Bids: VC14-10-01: Maryland Street Bridge

President Kiefer: Would like to ask permission to open bids VC14-10-01, the Maryland Street bridge.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I'll go ahead--

President Kiefer: Joe, if don't mind, you can start working on that, and then we'll proceed with other items on the agenda.

2015 County Employee Health Insurance Rates
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President Kiefer: Under action items, the 2015 county employee health insurance rates. I see Mr. Flittner is here to tell us all about the good news regarding health insurance rates.

Tony Flittner: Well, my name is Tony Flittner. I'm with Torian Hofmann Dillow and Flittner Insurance Agency. We handle the group health insurance rates and employee benefits for the employees of Vanderburgh County. I'm sure everyone's heard a lot of news about health insurance this past year. A lot of information about the cost of health care going up. In April of 2014, USA Today reported that the cost in the health insurance, or in health care, was rising at its fastest pace in ten years. They cited it at 5.6 percent. The Associated Press, this September, said that rising health costs will average six percent per year. Price Waterhouse Cooper says that the cost of health care will rise 6.5 percent in 2015. So, not a lot of great news, but when it comes to your individual renewal, we've worked long and hard in trying to negotiate the best rate that we can. Inside of your rates it would be noteworthy that over \$500,000 of your premiums go to Affordable Care Act fees. Okay? So, that--

President Kiefer: That's Obamacare, right?

Tony Flittner: That's, essentially, yes. Yes, sir, that is. The same thing. So, we have to account for the fact that we have over a half million dollars in fees going to the Affordable Care Act. The Affordable Care Act will tax the insurance industry over \$11 billion in 2015. So, you're just a part of that number, but it does have an effect on your rates, because those fees are taken out of your, or paid by your insurance carrier for you. Okay? Anyway, the Affordable Care Act does have one effect on your plan this year. The intention is to renew the same plan that you have. That's what I've sent information to all of you about. The same plan will renew, only it will be just a little bit better, because the Affordable Care Act mandates that the prescription drug co-pays account, or accumulate, towards the out-of-pocket maximum in the plan. Okay? So, the out-of-pocket maximum in the plan did not go up, but the co-pays toward prescription drugs accumulate towards that out-of-pocket maximum, and thereby maybe allowing you to reach your out-of-pocket maximum and go into 100 percent coverage more quickly. Okay? So, with all of that said, we received a renewal rate from Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield for January 1, 2015 that was a 6.39 percent increase. We got back with Anthem, had a lot of discussions, a lot of negotiation, and we've now received a revised renewal from them in the amount of a three percent increase. So, in other words, we reduced the increase by more than half, which I think is a fantastic thing. That reduction in

increase will save the county approximately \$389,000 in 2015. So, that was a big win for the county. The vision premium will increase 3.79 percent, which totals an out-of-pocket, or a monthly billing increase of \$55 per month. So, negligible increase there. Okay? That's on the total bill that the vision would increase that much. I think our collaboration as a group to help improve the claims experience for the employees of Vanderburgh County has been fantastic. We have seen claims experience begin to reduce now. That's something we've never had before. We've always had increasing claims experience with the employees of Vanderburgh County. Through our work with ourselves and the Commissioners and everyone else here, with the installation of the on-site clinic, and the plan design changes that were implemented in 2014, we are on the right direction to control and reduce claims experience. This is, that's something I have never been able to say at this podium. So, this is a great year. So, in essence, that's the adjustment. We do have some things that we're working on through my agency to provide maybe some better options for the county, at this time. I will be glad to report on those as soon as we get that, get some more information and some more answers on those things we're working on. But, at any rate, I think it's a great thing that we have a three percent adjustment to work with right now, because that's by far well below the market.

President Kiefer: Okay, I would like to ask for a motion to approve and to accept, and keep in mind that, I believe, if, for some reason in the future you could end up finding a better deal, we could switch to a better deal, but at least this locks in these rates for us for 2015 at this time.

Tony Flittner: That's right.

President Kiefer: So, with that, I would like to ask for a motion.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for acceptance.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll second it.

Commissioner Abell: I would like to make a couple of statements, because I was kind of worked a little bit on that clinic getting here, and I would like to commend the employees of Vanderburgh County, because they understood that our claims experience had a direct relationship to our cost of our insurance, our health insurance. My understanding is that the employees will not be paying any greater amount this year, and yet they still got an increase in pay, based on the County Council's, was it two percent I think they got? So, it's a win for our employees. It has worked out wonderfully for them. It's a win for the taxpayers because it did reduce the expense that we're having to spend, and that's \$300,000 we might have available to do something else with.

Tony Flittner: That's exactly right. Those negotiations and that work, as I looked through a file last week, that work began in 2010 to put together this on-site clinic concept and get it through all of the motions and all of that. So, it's been long in coming, but, I'll tell you what, it's really been worth the effort.

Commissioner Abell: That's great.

President Kiefer: Okay, and we have a first and a second. Any further discussion? Then, I would ask Madelyn to do roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thanks, Tony, I appreciate, I know it's been a lot of hard work, and I appreciate what you've done so far.

Tony Flittner: Thank you. I appreciate it.

Commissioner Abell: Thanks, Tony.

Commissioner Melcher: Yes, we do appreciate it very much.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

**Public Hearing and Final Reading of Vacation Ordinance CO.V-10-14-004:
Vacation of Lake Maintenance & Storm Drainage Easement:
Lot 18 of Windham Estates: 4019 Archer Drive**

President Kiefer: Next is a public hearing and a final reading of vacation ordinance CO.V-10-14-004. This is a vacation of lake maintenance and storm drainage easement on Lot 18 of Windham Estates, 4019 Archer Drive. So, first, before we start the public hearing, I would like to ask for a motion to approve final reading of vacation ordinance CO.V-10-14-004.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: First ask if there's anybody to speak.

President Kiefer: Oh, yes, second, now we're opening the public hearing. Is there anybody from the public opposing or in favor of this here to speak? Okay, I don't see any. Now, we'll go back, there's a petitioner here, Chad Wagner of Kiesel Wagner Survey, LLC.

Chad Wagner: Yes, sir, I'm Chad Wagner, I'm here representing the Edwards family that are getting ready to build a new home on 4019 Archer Drive. Just some background of why we're doing this, there is a ditch in the southwest area of this lot, and it had created a gully, and we are proposing to re-route that ditch. There was an amended drainage plan that was submitted and approved on the 16th of September here. What we're proposing is moving that ditch to the south, southwest, and with that we're wanting to move the easement to reflect that new ditch. So, we are

vacating eight hundredths of an acre of a lake maintenance and storm detention easement.

President Kiefer: Eight hundredths of an acre you said?

Chad Wagner: Yes, sir.

President Kiefer: Okay. Is there any questions from the Commissioners?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

President Kiefer: Any questions or concerns or comments from the County Surveyor?

Jeff Mueller: Jeff Mueller, County Surveyor, I just wanted to add that you actually gave them an encroachment on the area that you're vacating. So, the encroachment allowed them to do some, to start building a house, but they wanted to permanently vacate so that kind of would keep that cleared up a little bit. I'm fine with everything that they're proposing here.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Okay, so, we have a first and a second. Is there any other further discussion? One last call from the general public, if anybody from the general public—

Jane Gordon: I have some concerns.

President Kiefer: Yeah, could you come up and state your name and address.

Jane Gordon: Yeah, thank you for your time. I'm Jane Gordon, I'm representing John and Constance Hunsinger, they could not be here today.

President Kiefer: The address?

Jane Gordon: 4200 Wethersfield Drive in Green River III.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Jane Gordon: This is Keith.

Keith Galey: Keith Galey, 8631 Newburgh Road.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Jane Gordon: We have some concerns. My parents have owned the property since its inception, about 1993. There's been ongoing issues regarding the drainage there. I know my father, who I know wished to be here today, has contacted a lot of people within the city to get the drainage resolved. Which it just really has not been. It's gone to the point of having sump pumps put back there. Along that back easement, which I think is approaching the area, the proposed area, there are some yards that are filled in where that ditch is, and there's some yards that are not filled in. So, it looks kind of willy nilly as to the drainage and it needs to be cleaned out, and it needs to be addressed, and it needs to be fixed, I would think, before you all can proceed with....you know, I just got this last minute, and the plat, I have elderly eyes, I could barely see it, what just arrived on Saturday at my father's home. But,

Keith has a better copy of it, and maybe has some better concerns to share. I walked it off on the easement the other day, with a friend, and it looks like....can I help you?

Jeff Mueller: No, I'm just trying to see what you're, I think you're talking about Green River Meadows.

Keith Galey: Yes.

Jeff Mueller: That's not what this is about.

Jane Gordon: Oh.

Keith Galey: This is different?

Jeff Mueller: Yeah.

Keith Galey: Okay.

Jeff Mueller: Okay?

Jane Gordon: Okay.

Keith Galey: Sorry.

Jane Gordon: Thanks.

President Kiefer: Okay, so, that was a different piece of property that you're concerned about. We'll address that at Drainage Board?

Jeff Mueller: Yeah.

President Kiefer: Yeah, we'll address that at Drainage Board.

Commissioner Melcher: Drainage Board is right after this meeting.

President Kiefer: Yes, but thank you very much and we'll call you back up to speak later.

Jane Gordon: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay, so, with no other public comments, we have a first and a second, we had the comments from Jeff Mueller and we had comments from the petitioner. I would like to do roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

**OCH Lease Renewal for County Engineer
Amended OCH Lease for Suite 111
OCH Lease for Suite 114: Lion Fish Advertising
Downtown Evansville Alliance Agreement
United Neighborhoods of Evansville (UNOE) Contribution
Health Dept: Walgreen's Off-Site Clinic Agreement
Superior Court/Juvenile: Guardianship Services of SW IN Agreement
Collective Bargaining Agreement for the Recorder's Office**

President Kiefer: Next, under contracts, agreements and leases, Commissioners, under Commissioners we have the Old Courthouse leases, we have a renewal lease for Vanderburgh County Engineer, suite 305, 306 and 307. This is the annual renewal agreement for the suites 305, 306 and 307 and runs from December 1, 2015, through December, is that a typo error? That's January 1?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, you're talking about the County Engineer?

President Kiefer: Yeah, it said December 1st, I'm sorry. It runs from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah.

President Kiefer: Monthly rent payments of \$1,329.75 will be made to the county. With that I would like to ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Yeah, I didn't think that made sense to say one month.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, that's all they need.

President Kiefer: Okay. Next, we'll look at the amended lease for Sara Kamman, Single Thread Boutique; Allie Ruth Peach, Allie Ruth Designs; and Alisha Sims, Alisha Sims Photography, suite 111. This amendment is needed to add Allie Ruth Peach and Alisha Sims as tenants to suite 111. The lease term is August 20, 2014 through February 19, 2015. Monthly payments of \$650 will be continued to be made to the county. I would like to ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move, but I have some questions.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll second.

President Kiefer: Alright, now we'll see if we can't--

Commissioner Abell: Is this three separate companies going to operate out of one suite?

Kristin Comer: Yes.

President Kiefer: But, there's really only three people. I mean, it's not like they've got a whole group of employees.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think they all should have been on there at the beginning.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: But, for one reason or another, they weren't.

Commissioner Abell: Well, for \$650 we're going to rent a suite to three separate companies?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, they're not, I don't think there's that much going on, but it's--

Commissioner Abell: Well, but it's still three separate companies, and I would suspect that we have a clause in there, at least we should, that they cannot sub-lease this property to somebody else.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: They're not.

Commissioner Abell: Not if we put them all on there, correct. I just--

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It's a six month lease.

President Kiefer: Yeah, it's through February 19, 2015. They're already there operating, we're just amending this.

Commissioner Abell: Well, if it was, I don't know any of these people, but I'm going to assume somebody may be named Ruth Peach, but I don't know that, so, if Ruth Peach owned all of these companies and she just had three different companies, that I might understand, but you're telling me there's three separate companies in here.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: But, the three individuals are on the hook. They're not on in their company capacity.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: They're on individually which is better for the county.

President Kiefer: Well, we've got more people to go after if they don't pay the bill.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: You also have more problems to go after if they don't pay the bill.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: Because you get people pointing their fingers at the other two.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, you're right.

Commissioner Abell: It wasn't me that tore up this property, it was one of those two. I just, I'm not....anyway, that's what I wanted to say.

President Kiefer: Well, Joe, you wrote the lease document, right? I mean, so, do you feel like—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Oh, I think it's fine. I think that, we should have, for one reason or another didn't know all of this when it was leased in August.

President Kiefer: Yeah, they're already there, and to me—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: We weren't told.

President Kiefer: — I just think we're going to clean up the lease document, and then we'll have to re-address this in, you know, quickly, I guess, if we're going to renew in 2015.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, if they want to stay, they're going to have to tell us pretty soon.

President Kiefer: Yeah. So, anyway, did we have a motion and a second? Then, I guess, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: No.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-1. Commissioner Abell opposed.)

President Kiefer: With that, we'll move on to the next one. New lease for Sarah Fortune, Lion Fish Advertising, suite 114. This is a one year lease, it runs from November 1, 2014 through October 31, 2015. The initial rent payments will be \$313 for the month of November, after which monthly payments are \$800 will be made to the county for eleven months.

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Finally, we have the Downtown Evansville Alliance agreement. Now, this previously we may have discussed this. It was revised. This agreement was revised from \$15,000 to \$10,000. Basically, it's an agreement with the county and the Downtown Alliance of Southwestern Indiana Chamber, and we'll continue \$10,000 towards the Downtown Alliance project. With that, I would like to ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: I'll second it. Then I'll ask for discussion. I'll ask for roll call please.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, I want to make a statement here.

President Kiefer: Sure.

Commissioner Melcher: I'm trying to figure out how to word it.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I think it's a good deal, but I still don't understand about the city, and I know we're trying to work, but I think this is something that needs to be re-looked at for the next time. We need more of some kind of quality or something saying what we're getting out of this. What the county's getting out of this.

President Kiefer: Right.

Commissioner Melcher: I think we need something to back up us spending our money. So, that's what I would like to see the next time this happens.

President Kiefer: Okay, that's a good point.

Commissioner Abell: Well, I'll agree with Mr. Melcher and say that I do not think that the county needs to, is involved in this at all. This is a city venture. It's downtown Evansville, which is a long way from the Vanderburgh County line with any of our adjoining counties. You know, I think there's \$10,000 we could probably spend out in the county that would make county people a lot happier. So, I don't think this is something the county needs to be involved with.

President Kiefer: Then, finally, I guess, I'll just make a couple of comments. The reason I'm interested is because I'm thinking we have the Old National Events Plaza, and, you know, I can see that could be beneficial to that. The economic development that helps that project, and then the money we spent invested into the new hotel. I'm hoping that helps it as well. But, we can evaluate this six months down the road and see if we got our money's worth, and if we feel like we didn't, Commissioners, we can just not do it again the following year. But, with that, I would like to ask for a roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: No.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-1. Commissioner Abell opposed.)

President Kiefer: Next is United Neighborhoods of Evansville, UNOE, contribution for \$5,000. This would go toward supporting United Neighborhoods of Evansville in a way that would be conducive toward our economic development. Anyway, with that, I would like to ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Is this for, it's not written on my agenda, is this for \$5,000?

President Kiefer: Yes, for \$5,000.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

Commissioner Melcher: Will this be annual?

President Kiefer: Well, we would, I think, Joe, will you later, with this being approved, will you later draft something for—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes, I either wanted something from them requesting that amount, you know, saying that they would, that we would, like an invoice, or it would be an agreement. But, this is a one time thing, and certainly it could be annually.

President Kiefer: Yeah, it could.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, and that's the whole idea is to make it an annual event to help, because we've got neighborhoods cropping up all over the county.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I understand.

Commissioner Melcher: That's what this is supposed to help them.

President Kiefer: And, that's why I would like to have Joe later draft something that shows how they could use this additional \$5,000 toward development of neighborhood associations, you know, outside the city limit as well.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That's fine.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

President Kiefer: But, this definitely would be, all they have to do on this time is request this \$5,000, and then we'll approve this tonight to fund it.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: I do have a question.

President Kiefer: Sure.

Commissioner Abell: Will be there any limitation on what they can do with this money? I mean, is it going to say, I don't think they would do this, but, you know, they give themselves a Christmas party with it. It has to be used for the benefit of—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: We want it for economic development, if at all possible.

President Kiefer: Yes, that was the purpose of it.

Commissioner Abell: Economic development, will that be written into the contract?

President Kiefer: I think Joe could draft something up to that effect.

Commissioner Abell: I think we need to make sure that it isn't—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: To encourage economic development.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, we don't want it misappropriated. I think economic development could be even setting up a neighborhood association.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Sure.

Commissioner Abell: I'm not against them doing those things, I just want to make sure—

President Kiefer: Well, and that was my thought is, you know, development of neighborhood associations outside the city limits, you know.

Commissioner Abell: I think that would be fine.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, we've got some now, and if you look at, at the one we've got on Oak Hill, you know, that's 75 percent county and 25 percent city, because I was in the Third Ward and now it's part of the Third, the Fifth and when you cross the creek it's all county. It goes down to Keystone. So, I think that's the reason why we need to give them the five to help them build those counties up, because it's going to come eventually. So, we need them all working together. That actually gives them a stronger voice when they come before us.

Commissioner Abell: Right.

Commissioner Melcher: Because United Neighborhood fights everywhere, you know, trying to help their neighborhoods. So, I think it's a good deal, and now that we've got that road done and everything, I think this is a good deal.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: Hopefully, we can increase that money as time goes on.

President Kiefer: Well, with that, I would ask for Madelyn to do roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I very much vote yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much. Next, we have the County Health Department, community off-site clinic agreement for annual employee influenza vaccination, October 31, 2014. Walgreen's will provide flu shot vaccinations for County Health Department employees on 10/31/2014. The cost of the vaccinations will be covered by the employee's insurance, is that correct?

Ken Spear: That's correct. There's no cost to the county. Flu shots are mandatory for the Health Department employees, so to make it easier for the employees Walgreen's agreed to come in, at no cost, and provide those shots just for the insurance alone.

President Kiefer: Will we be notifying all county employees of this availability?

Commissioner Abell: No, this isn't—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: This is just for Health Department.

President Kiefer: Oh, just Health Department?

Ken Spear: Yes, the Health Department.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay. I was thinking—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, it's mandatory for his workers.

President Kiefer: I've got 'ya. I was thinking maybe this was something county-wide. Okay, well, then thanks for clearing that up for me. I understand. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next, the Vanderburgh Superior Court/Juvenile Division independent contractor for Guardianship Services of Southwestern Indiana. If I am reading this correctly, the contract is with Vanderburgh County Superior Court and Guardianship Services of Southwest Indiana to provide guardian ad item—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Ad litem.

President Kiefer: — ad litem services for indigent and elderly persons at risk. The amount of the contract is \$38,250.

Bernie Faraone: Yes, sir, that's correct. I'm Bernie Faraone representing Juvenile Court and Judge Niemeier.

President Kiefer: Right.

Commissioner Abell: Is this in your budget?

Bernie Faraone: It's been allocated already.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Bernie Faraone: Guardianship Services is a program that's been in existence with our court since 2010. It was one of like four or five counties that had a pilot program. It was created to meet the need of the community. For years our county and our court has had guardian ad litem opportunities for children and teenagers. This is a program that's primarily for adults 18 and older. It's to meet the need of medical hospitals; St. Mary's, Deaconess, Evansville State Hospital and other social service agencies and mental health departments where they've come across clients that have become incapacitated, medically or physically, psychologically, due to injury, medical injury or psychological disorders they've become incapacitated and they created a need that our court is meeting to where they get assigned a trained volunteer that assists the clients with legal decisions on whether to seek surgeries, check out and determine if they have other relatives that can assist them to see if they have a will or if they have a Power of Attorney. It really has been beneficial. The first few years the State actually offered us a grant. Last year they changed the conditions somewhat to where they said the county has to have a match. Although for the first year they didn't have to have a match. So, we got approval to create a line item to move the money into. Then, our court did receive an award of \$38,250, and money has been moved into that line item to match it. I would like to call your attention to the nature of our contract, line item number five, since we don't know what award is going to be granted every year, that's why we didn't cite any specific amount to be paid out monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or so on, but we did get awarded \$38,250 for this year. It may have to change next year. It depends if the conditions of the grant change.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, it sounds like a good program. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you, Bernie.

Bernie Faraone: Thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Next, County Recorder collective bargaining agreement. Z. Tuley I see is here in the audience. There are seven employees in the County Recorder's Office who would be covered under the collective bargaining agreement. The County Recorder, Z. Tuley, who is here, has approved the three year agreement, which would run from December 1, 2014 through December 31, 2017. The Recorder's Office employee's wages and insurance coverage issues will remain the same until the end of this year, December 31, 2014. Starting January 1, 2015, the Recorder's Office workers will receive the County Council approved 2015 wages and will be covered under the Teamster's health insurance. The Recorder's Office workers will be able to sign up for the Teamster's health insurance coverage before the end of the year. Does that pretty much state everything?

Z. Tuley: That's pretty much it.

President Kiefer: Well, it sounds like maybe our insurance rates will go down again, because we're losing a few more employees to go on a different insurance plan. So, maybe our premiums will drop slightly. Anything you would like to add, Z., to—

Z. Tuley: No, I just think this is going to be very beneficial to my employees. In my office we have some, most of the lowest pay grades. You know, the insurance is a huge draw.

President Kiefer: Yeah. Okay, any questions from Commissioners?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Z. Tuley: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Z. Let's see what's next here.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Department head reports, and I know John has a few things to discuss. I should just change that to the County Engineer's report.

John Stoll: The first item I have is a sidewalk waiver request for Kinway Park Subdivision. This is the subdivision that's located on Heckel Road just west of the Convention and Visitors Bureau's ballpark project. They are requesting a waiver of all sidewalks in the subdivision. I recommend approval of the waiver of all of the sidewalks, but I did want to bring it to your attention that Ron London of APC did tell me that the staff field reports for APC's meeting did say that the MPO recommended against a sidewalk waiver, and that the staff field report issued by the Plan Commission said;

"It is recommended that the project provide a pedestrian easement at the appropriate location extending from Kinway Park¹ to the east property line to tie into the adjacent baseball/softball complex and the paved, mixed use trail to be installed as part of the Sports Complex Project."

John Stoll: The sidewalk waiver does not make any provisions for that. Despite that, given the problems we've seen with construction of sidewalks not meeting ADA requirements, I would request approval of the waiver of all sidewalks.

Commissioner Abell: I have a question.

John Stoll: Sure.

Commissioner Abell: How can you build something that's not ADA compliant? I thought that was federal law that certain things had to be ADA compliant.

John Stoll: Unfortunately, we see it all the time, that the sidewalks that are built in subdivisions are not built properly.

President Kiefer: I think part of it—

Commissioner Abell: So, you're saying, we're saying we're going to allow something that's really not supposed to be allowed?

John Stoll: No, I'm saying waive the sidewalks and then that takes that off the table so we won't have to deal with it.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Yeah, and I think what happens is, when those subdivisions are built—

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: – the developer doesn't build all of those sidewalks. Each individual builder for each homeowner is responsible for the sidewalk. Is that correct?

John Stoll: Basically, and then they end up matching the cross slope of the sidewalk to the driveway and that's where the problems all come in.

¹Should be Kinway Drive.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

John Stoll: You can't fix it unless you rip the driveways out.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, and it becomes our problem that we don't really want.

President Kiefer: But, if there's not sidewalks there, then we're not liable?

John Stoll: Right.

President Kiefer: Right, okay, I'll ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Next I have revised street plans for Enclave at Eagle Cliff. These street plans were originally submitted back in the summer, but they'd been put on hold because of that stop work order. Now, that that's gone, the street plans call for changes on two cul-de-sac streets out there. One is Arden Court and the other one is Clift Wood Drive. The drainage changes that were made on the rest of the drainage plan necessitated some elevation changes on the road, based on what the consultant told me. I see no problems with the amended plan, so I recommend approval.

President Kiefer: Discussion please.

Commissioner Melcher: I don't have anything. I'll make a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call then.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: The next item is a street acceptance request for Section One of Enclave Subdivision. This covers 222 feet of Clift Wood Drive, 575 feet of Tawny Drive and 43 feet of Arden Court. We had inspectors out there during the construction, and they monitored it and had no problem with it, so I would request acceptance of the streets.

Commissioner Abell: Move for acceptance.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: The next item is also a street acceptance request. This is for Section Three of Poet Square Subdivision. This is the one located out off of Peck Road. This covers 1,190 feet of Reading Drive, 134 feet of Tess Drive, 113 feet of Edgar Allen Road and 203 feet of Watership Drive. The same thing, we had inspectors out there, the final construction was checked and would request acceptance.

President Kiefer: So, you checked....repeat what you just said. You checked everything?

John Stoll: Yeah, we had inspectors present during the construction, and they've submitted the as-built plans, so I would recommend approval.

Commissioner Abell: Now, John, these are streets within the subdivision, these are not any streets that exit onto Peck Road?

John Stoll: This does include Watership Drive, which is the connection to Peck Road.

Commissioner Abell: What's the status of Peck Road out there at that intersection?

John Stoll: Actually, on my agenda this evening I've got a right-of-way agreement for the next phase of that project that would provide the legal descriptions and the right-of-way appraisals and buying services, excuse me, for buying the right-of-way, hopefully, to get that project moving ahead next year. I've been discussing this with the County Attorney as far as whether or not there might be an option for a bond issue, which would help expedite it. But, we still could be six to twelve months away, depending on how things progress.

Commissioner Abell: That's going to make Peck Road a better road all the way down to Baseline?

John Stoll: Yes. It will start at the North High School entrance and will run to Baseline.

Commissioner Abell: INDOT have any interest in helping on that?

John Stoll: Right now that is not on the federal aid system, so, it's not eligible.

Commissioner Abell: Well, they one time talked about wanting to do something at Baseline, that's why I wondered if they were interested.

John Stoll: Baseline's another option, I've submitted a proposal for doing improvements to Baseline, but that's separate from the contract that I have here this evening.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

John Stoll: I think there are in the neighborhood of 15 or so right-of-way parcels, maybe 18. I can't remember the exact number. So, that's not a lot of right-of-way to acquire, but the right-of-way acquisition is always the slowest part of the road project. So, we're going to be a good six to twelve months out before any construction could start, and that's probably on the low end. That being said, the intersection is already out there. We did post some signs out there, as was discussed at some Commissioners meetings last year. Given the fact that it was finished, there is no letter of credit on that, so, that's why I'm just bringing it to you this evening as far as going ahead with the acceptance. Because, the way the subdivision ordinance is written, they're not required to have a letter of credit, so, that would give us an unaccepted road with no letter of credit out there. That's how things eventually fall through the cracks and don't get accepted over the long haul.

Commissioner Abell: Do you have a motion on the floor?

President Kiefer: That's what I'm asking for, a motion.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for acceptance.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I really don't want to vote this way, but I will, yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: With three yes', not altogether enthusiastic, but they're there, so.

Commissioner Abell: John, I think you know we're worried about that road.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: We're concerned about the safety of the children out there.

John Stoll: I know none of the Commissioners wanted to see that connection until the road was done, and I didn't either, but based on the Plan Commission vote, we're stuck with it.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: Okay, anything else, John?

John Stoll: The next thing is a street plan approval for the Reserve at Hidden Lake. This is, it was originally planned to be a condo development out off Jobe's Lane, but now they're redoing it to make it single family residential. It will be a private road due to the street grades, and due to the fact that the existing condos that were built out there won't meet the set back requirements to match up to a single family residential. So, I've reviewed the plans, they've made the changes I've requested, and on the basis that it will be a privately maintained road by the abutting residents, I would recommend approval of the street plans.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to accept?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Then, next, I do have the supplemental agreement for Peck Road right-of-way acquisition. This is with United Consulting. The fee is \$105,125. Like I said just a second ago, this does cover the section between the North High School entrance and Baseline Road. The consultant has made the changes to the agreement that I had requested and the County Attorney requested, so, I would recommend approval.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Well, looking forward to having that Peck Road improved. So, I'll vote yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: The last item I have is a street plan approval request for Section Four of Creekside Meadow Subdivision. This is located off of Petersburg Road about a mile and a half north of Boonville-New Harmony. Like the other plans, the consultant made the changes that I had requested, so, I recommend approval.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to accept?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: That's all I have, unless you have any questions?

President Kiefer: Thank you. Is there any other department head reports? I don't see anybody else out there.

County Attorney

President Kiefer: I guess, next I would like to go back to the bid opening of VC14-10-01 on the Maryland Street bridge.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes, I opened the bids on the Maryland Street bridge. I think it's number 1330. There were two bids submitted. The first bid was from Deig Brothers Lumber and Construction, that bid amount is \$1,968,225.20. One, nine, six, eight, two, two, five, twenty. The second bid, the final bid, was from Ragle, Inc., that bid amount is \$3,845,922.25. Three, eight, four, five, nine, twenty two, twenty five. So, I would ask that those bids be taken under advisement and have Mr. Stoll look at them and get back with us.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to do so?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Well, John, take a look at those and get back with us, if you don't mind.

Commissioner Melcher: I would like to know what the difference is.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: He probably does too.

President Kiefer: Yeah, a good chunk of difference.

Commissioner Melcher: Is one done in gold or something?

President Kiefer: Okay, one second please.

New Business

President Kiefer: Under new business, I would like to have Joe Harrison speak about the APC agreement, the county agreement, that's Area Plan Commission.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes, there is currently that's been in place for many, many years, probably 30 years or more, an interlocal agreement between the city and county regarding the establishment and the overall operation and funding of the Area Plan Commission offices. Currently the funding split for the Area Plan Commission budget is 85 percent county and 15 percent city. That particular interlocal agreement provides for three year intervals. If you ever want to terminate the agreement, you have to give notice a year before the end of that three year period of time that the agreement is in effect. Well, the three year period of time ends at the end of 2015. So, if we, if the county or the city intends to terminate the agreement, they have to give a year's notice. So, that means notice would have to be given before the end of this year. My recommendation would be, since the city has had and the county has had some discussions with the city about changing that formula so that it's not 85-15, that the county terminate the agreement—

President Kiefer: Basically, we're giving notice.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: — basically at the end of....yeah, we're giving notice to terminate that would be effective at the end of 2015. The County Council has expressed their desire to have the County Commissioners do that, and I just wanted to relay that to you to see if there was a desire on the part of the Commissioners to give notice to terminate the agreement at the end of 2015.

President Kiefer: I think this gives us an opportunity to negotiate.

Commissioner Melcher: That's right. I'm all for this.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

Commissioner Melcher: Because there's been a lot of, you know, of the city taking up some county property and that. Our end is higher than theirs. It doesn't seem fair what all the things that are going on at one end and not the other.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: So, is there a motion to that effect?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: To terminate.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

Commissioner Melcher: While we're on that, I think we ought to look at every one of the contracts between the city and the county. There might be some that we should be paying more. Because I think it's been there for so long that everybody just takes it for granted that's what it is. I think every couple of years we should be looking at

it and seeing what's happening, because as the city and the county grow or whatever with businesses and that, we need a handle on it.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I'll send out a report to all of you within the next week or two with all of those and where they are on the interlocal agreements and the funding and the termination dates.

Commissioner Melcher: It don't have to be overnight, but I really believe the Commissioners need to know, because there might be some changes. This might all end up being even at the end, but at least everything would be fair.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you very much. There is a motion, there's been a second. So, we can have roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay.

Old Business

President Kiefer: Next, under old business, I would like to have Joe Harrison speak about an order regarding the County Election Office and the County Board of Voter Registration.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: If I can find my notes here. I believe it was, when was the date that the County Commissioners—

President Kiefer: That's when we voted to have the Voters Registration moved to the Courthouse, the Old Courthouse.

Madelyn Grayson: It was August 19th.

President Kiefer: August 19th, yes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes, on August 19th the Commissioners passed a motion that in effect would have moved Voter Registration Office, they're currently located down in room 214 in the Election Office to the Old Courthouse. That hasn't happened. It seems appropriate that the Commissioners would address that issue, given that it appears that, for the time being, that Voter Registration Office will remain in the Election Office, sharing space with the County Election Office, that the Clerk, the County Clerk runs. An issue has come up with regard to security in the Election

Office and keys to the Election Office, etcetera. So, there's been an order drafted, and I will read the order as follows:

“WHEREAS, pursuant to I.C. 36-2-2-24, the Board of Commissioners of Vanderburgh County, as the executive of the County, is required to establish and maintain office space for the County Clerk, including the County Election Office; WHEREAS, pursuant to I.C. 3-7-27-3, the Board of the County Commissioners of Vanderburgh County, as the executive of the County, is required to provide the Vanderburgh County Board of Registration with a suitable office that is (1) located in the County Courthouse or in a building easily accessible to the Courthouse; (2) easily accessible to the public; and (3) adequate to meet the needs of the Vanderburgh County Board of Registration; WHEREAS, I.C.36-2-2-20, allows the Board of Commissioners of Vanderburgh County, as the executive of the County, to make orders with regard to the use of County property and County office space; WHEREAS, on August 19, 2014, the Board of County Commissioners of Vanderburgh County ordered that the Board of Voter Registration Office be moved from its current location within the Vanderburgh County Election Office in Room 214 of the Civic Center Complex to the Old Vanderburgh County Courthouse. However, the Board of Commissioners of Vanderburgh County hereby cancels such action and orders, for the time being, that the County Board of Voter Registration Office remain located within the Vanderburgh County Election Office with the Vanderburgh County Clerk being responsible for allowing the County Board of Voter Registration and the public access to the County Election Office during normal business hours and election day related business hours and the Vanderburgh County Clerk shall possess and maintain any and all keys to the Vanderburgh County Election Office, including the County Board of Voter Registration Office, and the County Clerk shall be solely responsible for opening and closing the County Election Office, including the County Board of Registration Office, each and every business day and election day. SO ORDERED, THIS 28th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2014.”

President Kiefer: Okay, before we vote on this, and before we even make a motion, that one of the reasons we initially planned to move Voters Registration over to the Old Courthouse is because there seemed to be some uneasiness between the two departments. I think this Board of Commissioners felt like, well, maybe the best thing to do is to separate them and put one group over to the Old Courthouse. So, since then, some things have occurred that we thought, well, maybe the best thing to do is to have them remain there for the time being. We'll readdress this at the beginning of the year, after the election, but allow the Election Office to control the keys to the office space. It's just very difficult, because Voters Registration employees are appointed by the County Chairpeople, Party Chairpeople, and, you know, we don't really have any direct say over them, other than we control the

space. So, that's how these things have occurred and unfolded. I sure would appreciate comments from the other Commissioners.

Commissioner Abell: Do you want to? I don't care.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, I guess, I didn't understand why, and, I guess, I don't understand why you wouldn't allow, if they're going to be co-people in there, why all the keys has got to be with the Clerk only. Maybe I don't understand that. I would think that both parties that were appointed in there would at least have one key to get in there, because they might be working in there later one night or something. I think in fairness that should be right. So, somebody would have to explain the other part of that to me, because I didn't notice that part.

President Kiefer: Go ahead.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Melcher—

Commissioner Melcher: Marsha, you used to be there, so I'm waiting to hear your answer.

Commissioner Abell: Well, I think there were some copying of documents going on in there that shouldn't have happened.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: That's why this, we've gotten to where we are. I think the other thing is, is that the Clerk is the elected person by the taxpayers of this county, and if someone is going to have a key, it should be the person who the taxpayers have the right to get rid of. Not somebody that the two Party Chairman have the right to get rid of. I mean, even if it was us, it would be a little bit better, because somebody could get rid of us if they were unhappy. But, it's kind of hard to get rid of the Party Chairman when they're not elected by the local taxpayers. So, at least when the key rests with the County Clerk, if you don't like what she's doing down there, there's an election that comes up, you can make your voice known then, just like they can when we are up for election. So, I think that was the reason for the decision.

President Kiefer: And, the County Commissioners have limited control, and the only thing we do control is the office space, and that is it. Now, if the people from the Voters Registration approach us and say, hey, look we would like to be over at the Old Courthouse and we're happy to be over at the Old Courthouse, well, then maybe that solves the issue and they can—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: They can have all the keys they want.

President Kiefer: — have all the keys they want, you know. When we have them two together in the same office, I just felt like this might be an easier way to control the situation.

Commissioner Abell: Well, I think the point of where anybody is, is the fact that this building is at capacity.

Commissioner Melcher: It is.

Commissioner Abell: We have some space that has been recently, become available because of the IT Department moving out of this space. However, it's no secret to anybody that the Public Defender and the Prosecuting Attorney both are sitting on top of each other. They have attorneys sharing desks. The Election Office is only open about six weeks to two months in the spring and six weeks to two months in the fall, and on the fourth year it's not used at all. For us to give that space to a part time office, that space being the space that was recently vacated by the IT Department, it would be so justly unfair to the County Prosecutor and the Public Defender when they both are here full time, all the time, and need office space. So, we're out of space, we're hoping for some cooperation, we didn't get any. We'll, after the election, we'll look at what we can do to make things different, but I wouldn't say that it will make things better. It might just make things different.

Commissioner Melcher: I understand what you're saying. So, I'm okay.

President Kiefer: Is there any comments from the public? I see our County Clerk is here.

Debbie Stucki: Yes. Debbie Stucki, County Clerk. I would just like to comment that the keys have helped. I think as far as the concerns for the security of the office, because election equipment, everything is left there when we leave. I don't stay in there by myself after hours. The doors close at 4:30 and everybody leaves. I did not think that was right that another office stayed there with all of the election equipment after 4:30. So, I think the keys have helped. We would like more space to work.

President Kiefer: Well, perhaps—

Debbie Stucki: But, everybody would.

President Kiefer: – at some point when the County Council allows us to renovate the old jail space, then this wouldn't even be a concern, everybody could have their own space there. We would be glad to allow both departments to have separate rooms, but with the confines of money and what we have available, and especially since we're so close to the proximity of election time, this seems to be the reasonable thing to do until January 1 when we can re-approach this.

Debbie Stucki: It has helped. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Any other comments? Okay. Could we have a motion please?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Okay, is there any public comment about anything?

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Next, Madelyn, if you would do the consent items.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the October 28th meeting are as follows; we have approval of the prior meeting minutes, we have the October 14, 2014 Commission meeting minutes. Employment changes for the Commissioners approval, we have five for the Health Department, one for the Co-Op Extension and one for the County Highway. The Legal Aid Society of Evansville has the September 2014 report. The County Commissioners have revised holiday schedule for 2016, '17 and '18; a request for appropriation for the Prosecutor office build out, waiver of Old National Events Plaza fees, not overtime, for the County Clerk for training of poll workers on October 28, 2014² and for the Commission on Homelessness for March 19, 2015. The County Treasurer has the year-to-date investment report for, through September of 2014 and a monthly report for September 2014. The County Clerk has the monthly report for September 2014. Weights and Measures has a monthly report from September 16th through October 15, 2014, and the County Engineer has a department head report.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Comment?

Commissioner Abell: I do have one comment. I would just like to make note that the Commission on Homelessness, the reason that we are waiving the fees at the Old National Events Plaza, which we have previously said we would not do for any organization, but this organization is our organization. We started the Commission for Homelessness.

President Kiefer: Right, and I think it's doing pretty good. I mean, last year and the previous years they've had a lot of success. It's set up where they have all kinds of vendors. They may have Vectren and other groups there and they help people understand how to navigate through some of their concerns. So, it's a pretty good program and I'm very glad that we have that that we can offer to the community. With that we have a first and a second. Roll call please.

²Should be 10/28/14; 10/30/14 and 11/1/14.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, with that I would like to ask for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Abell: I think somebody wants to speak.

Commissioner Melcher: Tony's—

President Kiefer: Oh, Tony Bushrod, come on up.

Tony Bushrod: Tony Bushrod, Voter Registration. Voter Registration participates in the Homeless Connect, and we've been doing it for like three or four years, but have you all thought about changing the name of it? Because, you know, Homeless Connect, a lot of people have a problem, you know, participating in stuff like that because they are already down on their luck. Have you thought about changing the name of it?

Commissioner Abell: Do you have a suggestion?

Tony Bushrod: I'll get you one.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Tony Bushrod: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: I don't think we'd object.

President Kiefer: That's a good idea. I mean, something so people don't have to feel embarrassed to being down to the Homeless Connect.

Tony Bushrod: Right. I'll come up with a name.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Tony Bushrod: Okay, thank you.

President Kiefer: Alright, good idea. Thank you, Tony. Okay, is there a motion to adjourn?

Commissioner Melcher: Don't we have somebody that sits on that?

President Kiefer: Yeah, I do this year.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, bring it up.

President Kiefer: Okay, we'll bring it up at the next meeting.

Commissioner Melcher: There you go. I knew it wasn't me anymore.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Move to adjourn.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the October 14, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.

Revised Holiday Schedule for 2016, 2017 & 2018.

Request for Appropriations: Prosecutor Office Build Out.

Waiver of ONEP Fees, Not OT, for County Clerk: 10/28; 10/30 & 11/1/14.

Waiver of ONEP Fees, Not OT: Commission on Homelessness: 3/19/15.

Employment Changes:

Health Dept. (5)

Co. Hwy. (1)

Co-Op Ext. (1)

County Clerk (2)

Superior Court (2)

Public Defender (1)

County Assessor (7)

Sheriff (5)

Legal Aid Society: September 2014 Report.

County Treasurer:

Year-to-Date Investment Report: September 2014.

Monthly Report: September 2014.

County Clerk: Monthly Report: September 2014.

Weights & Measures: Monthly Report: 9/16-10/15/14.

County Engineer: Department Head Report.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Joe Gries	Kristin Comer	Madelyn Grayson
Tony Flittner	Chad Wagner	Jane Gordon
Keith Galey	John Stoll	Ken Spear
Bernie Faraone	Z. Tuley	Debbie Stucki
Tony Bushrod	Others Unidentified	Members of Media

VANDERBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Joe Kiefer, President

Marsha Abell, Vice President

Stephen Melcher, Member

(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
NOVEMBER 18, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 18th day of November, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good afternoon, or should I say good evening, since it gets dark out so early. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for November 18, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Madelyn, if you could do roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would like to ask Steve Craig to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you, Steve. Appreciate that.

Area Plan Commission: Comprehensive Plan Update Request

President Kiefer: First on the agenda is the, are the action items. Under that we have Area Plan Commission request for appropriation to Commissioners, the CCD Fund for the comprehensive plan. Ron London is here to discuss.

Ron London: Good evening everybody. We're here tonight just to request for an appropriation so that we can finish up our comprehensive plan. The plan we like to try and update every 15-20 years. It's time to get the plan updated. We completed about 80 percent of the plan, but we do have some additional data that we would like to be able to add to that, along with kind of creating a document that's, I guess you could say a little more user friendly than the old plan that we had.

President Kiefer: This is for \$38,500 correct?

Ron London: This is for \$38,580.

President Kiefer: Oh, 580, okay.

Ron London: Yes.

President Kiefer: I think, you know, you and I talked about this. I think it's a good idea, because right now all we have is something that's on a piece of paper printed on, you know, your computer printer back at the office. This is going to be something that you can....now, when you create this with this much money, what all do you get for that?

Ron London: Well, it's going to create a little bit more of a user friendly document. A little bit easier to read. It's actually something that I think someone would like to sit down and look at, instead of just your plain, generic plan. It would have all of the information and data in it that we would normally have in a comprehensive plan, but also some drawings and things to go with it that, we kind of have an example of a plan if you all would like to see it.

President Kiefer: Yeah, that would be great. I would love to see it.

Ron London: This is just a copy of the millennial plan that was done by the MPO and the Lochmueller Group. That's who we're teaming up with to get this completed, but if you would like to see it.

President Kiefer: Sure, I mean, I've already, obviously, seen this, but I would like to just kind of look at it again. Is it going to be this heavy?

Ron London: I don't know if it will be quite that big.

President Kiefer: But, the same quality as far as the document?

Ron London: Correct.

President Kiefer: Things like that, pictures and color and things like that?

Ron London: Absolutely, but also with this we're able to gain a little bit more data to be able to add to the overall comprehensive plan too.

President Kiefer: Marsha, did you want to see that?

Commissioner Abell: I've seen it.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: But, I've got a question.

President Kiefer: Sure.

Commissioner Abell: The total price is \$38,580?

Ron London: Yes, Ma'am.

Commissioner Abell: Is the city paying any of this?

Ron London: I have not requested any funds from the city at all. Typically we are a county department, so this is where we were told to get it from.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, but we're also, we're jointly funded.

Ron London: Correct. I understand that.

President Kiefer: Okay, I see what you're saying. We're 85-15.

Ron London: I know that anything, I believe, that comes out of our budget, I believe, if I'm not mistaken is the city billed the 15 percent?

Joe Gries: The city is billed for 15 percent, within the General Fund budget, and this can be added to that. We can make sure that the city gets—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: They get billed 15.

Commissioner Abell: Does their Board of Public Works have to approve it? Or, if we approve it, can they say we didn't approve it, we're not going to pay any of it?

Joe Gries: That may come up as a question from the city, but we can probably work through that with the City Controller's Office.

Commissioner Abell: And, does it have to be 15-85 on this? Or, just because it is on General Fund, couldn't it be something different if we thought that the city was getting more benefit out of it than 15 percent?

Joe Gries: I wouldn't, I don't know that our office would be able to bill anything other than what's in the local ordinance.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I think we're stuck at what it is now.

Joe Gries: Yeah.

President Kiefer: But, we've given notice on that.

Commissioner Abell: We're changing it next year.

Commissioner Melcher: That's what we've been talking about, them changing. So, we haven't done this. We can't change the rules.

President Kiefer: I think it's a good idea, and I think we need to do this. It would be great if we got more than 15 percent from the city. I think we ought to at least move ahead, if you two are comfortable with it. If so, I would like to have a motion to that effect.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, any further discussion? Madelyn, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I think it's a good thing. It's going to be a good thing for the city also. So, that's why I believe they need to participate too, because that was going to be one question I was going to bring up. So, Marsha beat me to it as normal, but I do think, I think we're right that we could go ahead and just bill them their 15 percent and then when they call us up and ask why, say you're getting it too. So, I'll vote yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thanks, Ron. I appreciate it.

Ron London: Alright. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Look forward to seeing the finished document.

Ron London: Thank you.

County Coroner: Energy Efficient Lighting Upgrade Request
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President Kiefer: Okay, next on the action items is County Coroner request for appropriation to Commissioners CCD Fund for energy efficient upgrade. I see we have, I mean, we have the whole crew here today.

Annie Groves: I brought the family.

President Kiefer: Hi, Annie.

Annie Groves: Annie Groves, Vanderburgh County Coroner. What we're asking for today is for \$3,459 to upgrade all of our lights. We, at this time, have 41 of our lights out. We got an estimate to replace them for \$5,100. I do have members with me from Vectren. We are going to go through a grant program with them, that they will fund a large percentage of it. Then we will just have to do this, it would replace every one of our lights in the building, inside and out. I'm going to yield now to Chief Deputy, Steve Lockyear, who has put a lot of time and effort into this. He can answer, along with members from Vectren, of all the ins and outs of how we have been working on this for quite some time to get this. I think it's a wonderful deal for the county. It is projected to save at least \$4,100 a year with the new lights.

President Kiefer: Well, it sounds like a great pay back.

Annie Groves: It is.

President Kiefer: Especially with the rebate.

Annie Groves: Yes, it's—

President Kiefer: Will you have the same visibility, like as far as seeing, will the lighting be as good or better?

Annie Groves: It's going to be much better, because right now 41 lights are out.

President Kiefer: Okay. In that case—

Commissioner Melcher: A candle would be better.

President Kiefer: — that's great. We can let Steve Lockyear say a few words, if he needs to. Or, we can—

Steve Lockyear: I think you've got it.

President Kiefer: Annie does such a good job.

Steve Lockyear: Yeah, she got it all out there very quickly. Yeah, we've been working on this. The building is, you know, going on 25 years old. The lighting that currently exists are the T-12 bulbs that are being phased out by law. I don't think they're going to be made in the United States anymore. So, even with that forthcoming, the bulb procurement alone is going to be difficult, just to replace the lights that are working.

President Kiefer: Okay. Well, it sounds like a good deal to me. Do the Commissioners have any questions?

Commissioner Abell: I don't have a question about this, but, I guess, I was a little confused, I thought you were going to come in here and talk to us about a piece of equipment you want. Are you going to talk to us about that later?

Steve Lockyear: We were able to resolve that.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, okay.

Steve Lockyear: And we don't need that money now.

Commissioner Abell: Well, wonderful. Oh, okay, I was ready to appropriate it to you. So, see—

Steve Lockyear: Well, we call this couch money, I guess. So, we're asking it for a different hand.

Annie Groves: We saved, we've been able to save from one fund, and now we're going to ask for a new one.

Commissioner Abell: That's good.

President Kiefer: This has such a quick payback. So, it sounds like it's a great deal.

Steve Lockyear: We're hoping about ten months.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: You beat me. Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Gladly, yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Annie Groves: Thank you very much.

Steve Lockyear: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

**Old Courthouse Lease Renewal: Aid Resource Group (ARG)
2015 Youth Resources Grant Agreement
Health Dept: Emerson Network Power: Replacement Batteries
Health Dept: Emerson Network Power: Maintenance Contract
Sheriff: IT Agreement with Donna Burgess
CIO: Granicus Software Agreement
Lochmueller Group Agreement: University Parkway Sewer Project**

President Kiefer: Okay, we are moving on to contracts, agreements and leases. Under Commissioners we have an Old Courthouse lease renewal agreement with the Aids Resource Group. This is a two year renewal for B-5, B-6, B-7 and B-7A, which is in the basement. It starts on February 1, 2015 and ends on January 31, 2017. Monthly payments of \$1,302.50 will be made to the county each month during the first year, and the second year bumps up to \$1,389.33. Again, this is a lease renewal, and I don't know, Joe, if you have anything to add, but I think it's good...we're doing very well leasing at the Old Courthouse, and I, you know, hope somebody would make a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, if there's not further discussion, Madelyn, would you do roll call?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next is the 2015 annual Youth Resources agreement. This is an annual agreement to assist Youth Resources of Southwestern Indiana with program services for the youth. It begins January 2015 and ends December 31, 2015. It is for \$15,000. Is there somebody from Youth Resources here? Come on up.

Unidentified: I'm a TAC volunteer. I'm like a member of TAC.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay. Never mind. I was thinking you were representing Youth Resources.

Unidentified: That's fine.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: Would you like to?

President Kiefer: Is there any discussion?

Commissioner Abell: I don't represent them, and this isn't a big discussion, except those of us that have worked with them, what a great group. You know, I think it's an outstanding way for us to get our youth more involved with everything in the community. We've all seen them here, and it's a good way to make sure that they grow up to be the kind of people that we want them to be. I think this is \$15,000 well spent. I will move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: That was well said, and I'll second it.

President Kiefer: Good. If there's no further discussion, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: And, thank you for being here tonight. We appreciate you attending.

Unidentified: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Next is the County Health Department, Emerson Network Power contract, battery backup for vaccine storage. This contract is for new backup batteries for the vaccine storage freezer. The cost of the battery backup replacement is, what I'm showing is \$8,003.85.

Ken Spear: Yeah, I'm Dr. Ken Spear, Vanderburgh County Health Officer. We keep a large supply of vaccine on hand, and these batteries and the back up system, it's to prevent vaccine wastage in case of a power outage. The batteries are five and half years old and they're actually past due of being replaced. Then there is also another contract for \$5,995, which is the annual maintenance fee. I think the total cost is right around \$14,000. That is due in December. The only thing I will add to that is we're also working on another option for emergency generator connectivity that's actually on the building but not ever used, and if we can get it re-energized this would actually allow us to move away from the battery back ups. But, I need to have this in place in case that generator does not come through, because that's about \$30,000-\$35,000 worth of vaccine that we keep on hand for adult, pediatric and travel vaccine.

President Kiefer: Okay. That sounds like something that's absolutely necessary. Is there questions or discussion?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: So, there are two items. One is the--

President Kiefer: Yeah, I was going to take those separately.

Ken Spear: Oh, okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That's fine.

Ken Spear: I'm sorry. One is the maintenance contract--

President Kiefer: Yeah, what I'm asking for on the first motion is the contract for the back up batteries for vaccine storage freezer, at a cost of \$8,003.85.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: I'll second. I have a question, Mr. Gries, is there money in place for this?

Joe Gries: That would probably be a good question for Dr. Spear.

Ken Spear: Dr. Spear is going to have to ask Paulette Hoffman, but she assures me that we do have money in place for this.

Joe Gries: It would be part of their, probably, contracts line item. So, yes.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: I don't want to vote in favor of it and have you not have the money for it.

Ken Spear: No, Paulette assured me that we do have the money in place.

President Kiefer: Okay. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: The next motion would be for, the second contract is for the, this is the maintenance service of the battery back up system. This maintenance service contract is for \$5,992. Is there a motion for that?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Ken Spear: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Dr. Spear, as always, thank you very much for being here.

Ken Spear: Alright, thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Next, the County Sheriff, independent service agreement with Donna Burgess for IT computer assistance. This is an independent service agreement for Donna Burgess to do IT computer assistance, and she is to

be paid \$15 an hour for her services on a month-to-month basis. We have the newly elected Sheriff here, Sheriff Wedding. Welcome, and any further addition to what I just said?

Dave Wedding: No, it's pretty well self explanatory. If you read the independent services agreement it pretty well spells out the conditions of this agreement.

President Kiefer: Okay. Any questions from Commissioners?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

Commissioner Abell: This comes out of what fund?

Dave Wedding: In item three we're going to take it out of various Sheriff's budgets to include User Fees, Commissary and then we have a couple of grants that we can take it out of. We just lost a part time IT person, so, we're going to use some of the funds that we would have used to pay that person to pay this contract.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay. So, was there a motion?

Commissioner Melcher: Yeah, I make the motion to approve it.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you, Sheriff.

Dave Wedding: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Next is the discussion about the Granicus software agreement. I see Mark Uhrin is here to make a presentation. Do you want to give us some of the details for that?

Mark Uhrin: Certainly. I guess, being respectful of your time, I have a presentation. I can show you samples of implementations, or I can talk, whichever you would prefer.

President Kiefer: Why not give us a sample.

Mark Uhrin: Okay. There are three pieces to the Granicus solution that we're asking you to approve tonight. One is the boards and commissions piece, which is near and dear to Kristin's heart. Between the city and the county there are over 80 boards and commissions that are managed. There are over 600 individual appointees between the city and the county. Most of that is currently done on a spreadsheet or other paper methods. Very often citizens don't know what vacancies are available to them, or how to apply. So, they pretty much, kind of word of mouth is the current method for filling those vacancies. This application will give us the ability to put that out on the web. It will give a listing of all of the boards and commissions, as well as vacancies. It will allow citizens to apply on line, and it will give the appointing bodies the information necessary to appoint people to those positions. With that I will show you the implementation that is done in Stockton, California. They have their boards and commission site, if you scroll down you will see a list of the individual boards. They have a very extensive list. It explains briefly the individual board and its purpose. You can then click on that board and it will bring up more information on the board, including this board happens to have seven current vacancies. It lists general information about the board, including its enabling legislation. You can, the individual can actually click on here and apply for the board. It brings up an application form for them, allows them to go through, fill out the information and submit the information on line so that they don't, there's nothing further required of them. It then gets to the appropriate appointing body. It also allows for a work flow, so that the individuals that are applying are pre-qualified so that we know that they meet the criteria for the position that they are applying for. There it is. The other part of the information is that it does include, well, maybe this board is vacant. Normally it would include all of the board, all of the members of the board, gives some information on them so people can see...let me see if I can find a better—

President Kiefer: So, this will all be on line?

Mark Uhrin: It would be all on line.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Mark Uhrin: Through the city-county website.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Mark Uhrin: Basically—

President Kiefer: So, a person, excuse me, does a person, say for example the Mayor is going to serve on a particular board, okay, he's got to go in and fill out an application?

Mark Uhrin: He's not an appointed person, he's, I would assume ex-officio, so, he would—

President Kiefer: Well, but like here, we have Commissioners, they all serve on boards.

Mark Uhrin: But, they're not appointed.

President Kiefer: Yeah, they are. We appoint—

Mark Uhrin: Then, yeah, they would.

President Kiefer: So, am I correct in that? So, we would have to go out and fill out an application on each board that we serve on?

Mark Uhrin: No. One application, but it's not necessary to fill out the application, what this does is it provides the citizens the ability to go in. So, no, there's nothing that requires you to fill out the application.

President Kiefer: Okay, yeah, I'm just trying to understand it.

Mark Uhrin: Yeah, sorry.

President Kiefer: Because, otherwise, Marsha, you know, we would be spending time filling out all these applications to serve on boards that we're appointing ourselves to on behalf of—

Commissioner Abell: (Inaudible. Microphone not on.)

President Kiefer: Okay, no, I just wanted to check on that.

Mark Uhrin: No, absolutely, the intent is to open it, as I said, open it up more to citizens than it is—

Commissioner Abell: I do have a question about that.

Mark Uhrin: Certainly.

Commissioner Abell: If, let's say that we had a board of Commission website out there like that and someone wanted to apply to be on the Burdette Park Board, for instance, and they fill out their application online, would we get a tickler or something so we would know? Or would we have to check it everyday to see if anybody's applied?

Mark Uhrin: No, you'll get notification. It actually would go into the board administrator.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Mark Uhrin: They would then—

Commissioner Abell: That somebody filled one out, an application?

Mark Uhrin: – view it and then provide that to the appointing body.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Mark Uhrin: Here there's actually a board that they do have people assigned to. So, it gives you an idea of some of the information that's available. We also have the ability to control the amount of information that is posted for any particular appointee. So, they're not, it's not something that's precanned, we can control and redact the information that we want to redact.

Commissioner Melcher: So, technically, I guess, our boards would fall under ours, right? The Commissioners? So, when you want to go to that board, is this going to be the boards for city and county all the way from top to bottom?

Mark Uhrin: Uh-huh. That's the intent, yes.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay, then how do they know who to apply, or is it just going to automatically take you to the Commissioners, take you to the Mayor?

Mark Uhrin: It will give you the vacancies on the board by appointing body. So, they would know what vacancies on what board are for the city, what vacancies and what boards are for the county.

President Kiefer: So, the application is really to our benefit when people apply to be on a board, then we can have their application to review. Not necessarily for ourselves.

Mark Uhrin: Right.

President Kiefer: Okay, I gotcha. That makes sense.

Mark Uhrin: Yeah.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay, because I know we have people calling and wanting to be on different boards, county boards—

Mark Uhrin: Uh-huh.

Commissioner Melcher: – not necessarily a city board. So, somewhere on this website it's going to say four county and four city on the board?

Mark Uhrin: We would identify which boards, are there boards that are specifically county and city?

President Kiefer: Yes.

Mark Uhrin: Then, those would be identified as such, and then I know that there's boards that are city and county combined.

President Kiefer: I still think it's a good idea. I like this, you know, there's a lot of times we struggle filling board appointments, you know, for example I think we have one that was, may have been homeless and it had to be a former homeless person. Or, you know, there's another board that maybe you had to be a former, you had to be an ex-convict. I don't know, there's certain particular things and we don't have any idea where to find a person to fill those vacancies. So, this would at least allow people to apply for boards, and then we can evaluate them.

Commissioner Melcher: I think this is a good thing too. So, the community would see just what boards we do have, where they could go to get more information. If they need something they would know to go to that board, besides just us.

Mark Uhrin: Uh-huh.

Commissioner Melcher: So, I think that's what, I'm in favor of this, plus Kristin told me that I had to vote for it.

President Kiefer: Well, let me tell you—

Commissioner Abell: Well, you know, I'll tell you what I like about it is because I just sent, I think, both of you, some gentleman wrote me an e-mail and said he wanted to be on a board. So, I forwarded it to the other two of you.

Commissioner Melcher: I got it.

Commissioner Abell: Then, I see people out and about that—

President Kiefer: It's easy to say go to—

Commissioner Abell: — you know, and then you write yourself a note, a sticky note and you put it in your pocket and you forget it. You know, this will eliminate overseeing, you know, the oversight.

President Kiefer: Yeah, we could ask them to—

Commissioner Abell: There's lots of times that they fall through the cracks because they call us or see us somewhere.

Commissioner Melcher: I just want to make sure that when it's set up that as a county person, I don't have to see the city, and I can just go in and do it. Because I think there's a lot of confusion on, especially our website. Our website is more like the City of Evansville's website and we're an afterthought. It wasn't supposed to be that way.

President Kiefer: So, Mark, take that as a cue that we need to have something on our website that gives us a little bit more prominence.

Commissioner Melcher: No, seriously.

Mark Uhrin: I will address that.

Commissioner Melcher: All you've got to do is look at the home page—

Mark Uhrin: Uh-huh.

Commissioner Melcher: — and it just, it's not there. Then, if you do go there and you switch it says, I could leave a county site, it says you're now leaving the city site. It don't say you're leaving the county, it tells you you're leaving the city. Now, as an individual for the first time going in, was I in the wrong one? So, they have to go through it again. So, I think it's more confusing to the people in the streets. I think we understand it, but it's more confusing.

Mark Uhrin: I would agree. Having gone through the person on the street side, I would absolutely agree, and I know there's a lot of work to be done and that is something that I am looking forward to doing.

Commissioner Melcher: It almost looks like that was a good start, now we need a real website. I think, that's what it looks like to me and that's what other people has told me.

Mark Uhrin: I wouldn't disagree.

President Kiefer: Well, anyway, I don't know if this was already brought up, but there is a one time expense of \$1,750 to the county to set up the programs, plus the required hardware and software. Then, after July 1, 2015 the county will pay a monthly fee of \$1,250 a month for the remaining time of the contract. There are sufficient funds in the Communications line item to cover this.

Mark Uhrin: That's correct. Now, one thing, that is not only for just boards and commissions. There's three pieces that we're talking about here.

President Kiefer: Right.

Mark Uhrin: For that \$1,250 a month.

President Kiefer: Right. Are there any other questions? If not, I would ask for a motion.

Commissioner Abell: Well, I think, is the streaming on here too?

Mark Uhrin: Yeah, I can demonstrate the other two pieces.

Commissioner Abell: I think that's one of the big expenses.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay, great. I thought maybe you were done with that.

Mark Uhrin: No.

Commissioner Abell: So, but while you're pulling that up, according to Mr. Kiefer's figures, which he read from the books, which are correct, is \$26,750. So, are you thinking that we ought to be able to get through this for \$30,000, counting the equipment?

Mark Uhrin: The equipment is a one time of \$1,750.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, okay. I thought that was to set it up and then....because then it says plus the required hardware and software.

Mark Uhrin: No, that's a one time cost of \$1,750 split. \$1,750 for the city and \$1,750 for the county.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Mark Uhrin: \$3,500 total. That one time cost, that is for the equipment to take the video part, which is the next thing that I'm going to show.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Mark Uhrin: Then it's \$1,250 per month—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Starting in July.

Mark Uhrin: – starting July 1 through the end of ‘15.

President Kiefer: This is a lot more than just board appointments and managing board appointments.

Mark Uhrin: Correct.

President Kiefer: It's also videos of the meetings.

Mark Uhrin: Correct. This is the Keene, New Hampshire site. They are actually a relatively small town, and they have this type of technology implemented. So, I think that shows that it's a very cost effective solution. Basically, what you can do is you can come in here, look at their meetings. They have all of their meetings in one place, so, no matter whether you're looking for board, the Councils, any of their meetings. I apologize, I cannot read that screen from here. So, I'm kind of winging it. What you do, you come in here, and you click on the video for that particular meeting.

President Kiefer: You're almost there. You're right there.

Mark Uhrin: I know.

Commissioner Abell: Click it.

Mark Uhrin: There we go. Okay.

President Kiefer: Mark, I have a question.

Mark Uhrin: Sure.

President Kiefer: Talking about the equipment and setting this up, is this stuff mobile that if, like, say if we have a town hall meeting somewhere that we could record that? Or, say I would like to have a Commissioner meeting at the Old Courthouse once a year—

Mark Uhrin: Uh-huh.

President Kiefer: – could we have that so we could hold a Commissioner meeting at another location?

Mark Uhrin: We can do that. We can take, it doesn't have to be broadcast video, necessarily. We can take any video and put it into the system and it would be available just as, the same as the broadcast video.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Mark Uhrin: So, if there—

President Kiefer: So, it could air, you know, it wouldn't be real time, but, you know—

Mark Uhrin: Right.

President Kiefer: – but it could air the very, you know, an hour later or the next day, or whatever.

Mark Uhrin: It would be available very quickly, depending...all we would have to do is download the video and it would be available.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Mark Uhrin: So, for example, the State of the County address could be archived and available for people to view. These meetings certainly. The other option we have, and this is the video presentation, one of the nice things it does is it allows you to actually key your agenda to the video. So, you go in here and click on an agenda item, and this happens to be a short agenda, but it takes you right to that point in the video.

President Kiefer: Oh, I like that.

Mark Uhrin: So, that, you know, the citizen who doesn't want to spend two and a half hours listening to a meeting, or watching a meeting to get to the five minutes at the end of the meeting that they actually wanted to hear. You can also hotlink your documents, so any documents that are associated with that particular agenda item are brought in, so you can bring it up. In this case, it's looking to open up to download that file. Why, I don't know, normally what it would do is just bring it up in the window. That's the way it's supposed to work. So, as you can tell, this is a live demonstration and things go wrong. So, they would be able to pull up any document that's associated and linked in to the agenda, at that agenda item, then go back to the agenda and continue forward. We can do the same thing with audio files. So, for example, if there are board meetings that you may not want to incur the expense of doing a video of board meeting, you can set it up for audio only. The same linking process occurs. So, you can click on the agenda, go to that point in the audio, listen to that audio, documents that are associated with that are attached as well.

President Kiefer: I really like it. That's nice.

Mark Uhrin: The third part–

Commissioner Abell: While you're pulling that up, will this be able to be used over at the Old National Banks Event Plaza across the street?

Mark Uhrin: Used for what?

Commissioner Abell: Well, if they had something going on over there that they wanted to put out on the streaming, like we had some meetings over there when...because sometimes we have meetings that are a little bit too big for this room–

Mark Uhrin: Uh-huh.

Commissioner Abell: – so, we've moved them over there. So, would it be available over there too?

Mark Uhrin: It requires an encoding device, which is the one time hardware cost–

Commissioner Abell: Uh-huh.

Mark Uhrin: –that would be installed here. We could get another device, if we wanted to have one that was more mobile, but then we would incur that hardware cost again.

Commissioner Abell: Well, they're looking at upgrading all of the IT over there when they renovate that, with that million dollars. I think maybe we need to find out if they could go ahead and do it while they're doing it.

President Kiefer: I mean, it would be nice to have a mobile device, because, you know, sometimes, you know, they're, like Commissioner Abell said, we're going to have a meeting that may not be here, and that would be nice to have available.

Mark Uhrin: It's not mobile in the sense that you're just going to–

President Kiefer: Pick it up and move it?

Mark Uhrin: – roll it around anywhere you want it. It will require some installation.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: So, it's got to be in a permanent location?

Mark Uhrin: Semi-permanent, yeah.

Commissioner Abell: I think the Ford Center would be great, I mean, not the Ford Center, that's the city's, the Old National Events Plaza. I think we need to think about that, because we are going to spend money when they start the convention hotel, upgrading the IT in there. They talked about that as part of it. I think we ought to just make sure this is a part of it also.

Mark Uhrin: I mean, it's a relatively small cost.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, really.

Commissioner Melcher: I think when you were here and seen what we voted on earlier, that was all done in meetings, which would have been good if it had been on. That was all held over there at the Centre, I mean at our place.

Commissioner Abell: Right.

Commissioner Melcher: Old National, so I think that's what's good. I think Marsha's hit the nail on the head here, we need to be able to do all of the meetings over there, which takes up more room. Even when we had the consolidation, we had some meetings there. That would have been good to have had that, for other people to see it and other people see the people going back and forth, more people would have known do I really want it or really don't want it.

Mark Uhrin: Uh-huh.

Commissioner Melcher: I think that would have been better, because that way it's archived.

Mark Uhrin: Sure.

Commissioner Melcher: I think that would be good.

President Kiefer: Why don't we approve what we have, and then, Mark, you can come back and maybe we can consider something additional.

Mark Uhrin: Sure. Yeah, that's not a problem. We can do that at any time.

President Kiefer: But, I do like this. I think it's really great. I love the idea of being able to go to a specific part of the meeting, click on it, you know, have all of these things archived. It's really nice.

Mark Uhrin: Then, the third piece is Speak Up. That's a citizen engagement tool. It allows citizens to interact with government from a single place. It gives you the ability to post things, if you've got questions that you want to put out to the citizens.

President Kiefer: You mean without going to the City County Observer?

Mark Uhrin: Yeah. It allows you to post questions. It allows citizens to post things without having to, not answering a question from you, necessarily, but just post an idea. Hey, I would like to see a crosswalk at such and such. Or, I think speed bumps or a stop sign. A lot of things that I hear just on a day to day basis, how do we make life in Evansville better? How do we make life in Vanderburgh County better? Those are the ideas that come across. Edina, Minnesota is a town of about 40,000 people. They are one of the poster children for this particular product. As you can see they have a number of ideas out there. It allows citizens to do things in a constructive manner. It allows citizens to interact with each other. You don't have to, it's not necessarily just citizen to government and government to citizen. It's citizen to citizen as well. Where you have the ability for them to talk about each other's ideas. To vote on ideas. To like or dislike, very much like Facebook and that.

Commissioner Abell: Does someone also have the ability to take something down?

Mark Uhrin: It is a moderated discussion.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Mark Uhrin: So, yes. It is intended to be constructive. Not necessarily positive, but polite and professional.

President Kiefer: Who, a couple of questions, who will moderate this?

Mark Uhrin: That will, to be determined.

President Kiefer: Okay. Then, the other question is, what's the time line, I mean, obviously, how quick does this get implemented?

Mark Uhrin: We would be looking at implementing boards and commissions beginning in December, early December we would have boards and commissions up. We would look to have the video up sometime mid-January, and then the Speak Up shortly after that.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Mark Uhrin: One nice feature about Speak Up, is you can actually tie that to agenda items in the transparency suite, in the streaming media suite. So, you can take comments on agenda items in your agenda prior to the meeting, without having a citizen necessarily come to the meeting and stand in front of you. You can allow that or disallow that. It's up to you, but on a per agenda item basis, you can identify agenda items that you wish to receive comments on. They can make comments electronically, as opposed to having to come down here and go through the meeting process.

Commissioner Melcher: So, when they make their comments, they're going to be giving their name, address, e-mail address?

Mark Uhrin: Yep.

Commissioner Melcher: We're not going to have any of these hidden names, you know, like—

Mark Uhrin: Nope.

Commissioner Melcher: — Okay, because that's good, that way you've really got good discussion.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Mark Uhrin: And, both the video and Speak Up are device independent. So, not only, you don't have to be at a PC, you can be on a tablet, on your phone. It works across all of the platforms.

President Kiefer: That's nice. Okay, any other things you want to show us?

Mark Uhrin: That's it.

President Kiefer: Alright.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, I would be, I want us to make sure we could do stuff at the Old National Events Plaza.

President Kiefer: Do you want to wait to do that to vote on this?

Commissioner Melcher: No, I think once we get this thing going.

President Kiefer: Yeah, okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I don't want to wait.

President Kiefer: No, no, I'm just checking to make sure I understood you correctly.

Commissioner Melcher: I can't wait, Kristin, said I can't wait.

President Kiefer: Alright.

Commissioner Abell: I think it's just a matter of, I don't think the Old National Events Plaza would be a big deal. Once they start doing all of those renovations over there,

that's when he just gets involved and says this is something the Commissioners want–

President Kiefer: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah.

Commissioner Abell: – and add to it. I don't think it's going to be a big problem.

Commissioner Melcher: That can be something that don't have to go at the same time we go, but when they do theirs.

President Kiefer: It can be done at any time. So, is there a motion to approve the Granicus software agreement?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Melcher: Okay, we have a first and a second. Any further discussion?

Commissioner Abell: I see you have sufficient funds in your Communications line item to pay for this to date? So far?

President Kiefer: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That's a yes?

President Kiefer: Yes.

Mark Uhrin: Yes, sorry.

President Kiefer: Okay, in that case, I'll ask for a roll call vote please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Just don't forget what I said about being able to go to county versus city and city versus county, and I vote yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: I'll ditto what Commissioner Melcher said, and I'll vote yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Mark Uhrin: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thanks, Mark. Good job. Appreciate it.

Mark Uhrin: Thank you.

President Kiefer: We'll move on. The next thing is County Engineer, engineering consulting agreement with Lochmueller Group for the University Parkway. This is an engineering consulting agreement with Lochmueller Group to oversee the design and construction services relating to the University Parkway sewer extension project. The cost is \$530,000. I see John Stoll is here to make comments.

John Stoll: I can answer any questions. Basically, it will provide a sewer and a force main, the sewer lift station will be put out along side University Parkway, and then it will end up having to pump all the way down to near Broadway and Johnson. So, it's about a five mile project. That's about it, unless you've got any questions.

President Kiefer: What's the time frame on this?

John Stoll: I spoke to the Lochmueller Group and they wanted to get started on it ASAP, but I didn't get the deadline. I don't know, Joe, do you remember if it had a—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I'm thinking it's going to be, you know, spring.

John Stoll: I know they had to (Inaudible) some (Inaudible).

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Sometime in the spring so construction bids can go out, you know, in the summer.

Commissioner Melcher: Which side is it going to go down?

President Kiefer: Don't know yet?

John Stoll: This initially is on the west side, serving the west side of University Parkway, just a little bit north of USI.

Commissioner Melcher: Because that's where we're getting stuff, you know, and there's already stuff passed.

John Stoll: Correct.

Commissioner Melcher: I was going to try to keep us from going under yet.

John Stoll: I don't know the exact route. I don't have all of the details yet, but they will have to run under somewhere.

Commissioner Melcher: No, I know that. That's why I was asking where we were starting at.

John Stoll: Yeah, the roads will have to be bored in order to prevent us from having maintenance of utility cuts and things like that.

Commissioner Melcher: Yeah, we're looking at probably having some kind of industrial park out there, technology. Okay.

President Kiefer: Well, I think this is critical for us to, you know, that's a TIF district out there, and we'll never ever have any building or new construction without sewers. So, I think this is a necessary thing. We have to do it if we're going to grow the community. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Department head reports. John, do you have anything? You're making double time back, been here, coming back.

John Stoll: The first item I have is a supplemental agreement with American Structurepoint for Green River Road. This is at the Boonville-New Harmony intersection. This is a supplemental agreement for a \$5,000 increase for the design of an overhead four way, red flashing light. So, that way we could install a four way stop at Boonville-New Harmony and Green River. The recent review of traffic data showed that a four way stop is warranted out there.

President Kiefer: I can tell you I travel that area all the time. It is really necessary. So, I'm glad we're able to do this.

John Stoll: With Green River being under design right now by Structurepoint, they can go ahead and set the poles for the flasher far enough out so it won't be affected by the future widening project. It will probably be going to construction in mid 2017. So, we won't have any reconstruction costs there. As it stands now, the traffic data did not show that a full blown traffic signal was warranted. So, that's why the four way stop is going to be pursued.

President Kiefer: Okay. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any discussion? Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Next, I have a supplemental agreement with the Lochmueller Group for the Heckel Road project. This is for an increase of \$12,400, and this is to provide a survey and design of a storm sewer that will extend from Heckel Road down to Schmitt Lane along the east side of Oak Hill. The need for this came about as a result of the draft design plans. The area of Heckel between Lakeland and Oak Hill doesn't really have a suitable outlet point for the drainage. So, we just need to run a new storm sewer that entire distance. The County Attorney has reviewed the supplemental agreement and he said it was acceptable for your signatures.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Next, I would like to file a travel request for me to attend the Purdue storm water drainage conference on February 12, 2015 and for me and Valerie Harry to attend Purdue road school on March 10-12, 2015.

President Kiefer: Okay, and that brings the question up, is, I mean, are we going to have Commissioners attending that this year, the Purdue road school?

Commissioner Melcher: I know one.

President Kiefer: Well, yeah, you, I think definitely, but, I guess, we can talk about that later. I think it's important that, I think it's actually mandatory for Commissioners to attend.

Commissioner Melcher: That's the way it was set up.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Melcher: As mandatory.

Commissioner Abell: Really?

President Kiefer: Yeah, it's a state—

Commissioner Abell: I only went one time, and I couldn't understand anything they were talking about. So, I never went back.

President Kiefer: Yeah, anyway, I'm for you to go. I think it's a good thing. Is there a motion to approve his travel requests?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Next, I've got a sidewalk waiver request for The Reserve at Hidden Lake. This is the, it was a condo development initially, but now it's being redone as a residential subdivision. It's on Jobe's Lane, just south of the west side Home Depot and Wal-Mart. Due to the steep grades and potential ADA issues, I would recommend approval of the sidewalk waiver. The streets will be privately maintained, so the sidewalks would be privately maintained, but despite that, with the grade issues, I think the waiver still needs to be approved.

President Kiefer: Okay. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Then next I have a notice to bidders for the Burdette Park campground expansion project. I would like approval for the notice to bidders and for the advertising of the notice to bidders. The bids will be due on December 9th on the basis of this bidding schedule. Steve Craig is here to answer any questions that I can't answer, but this adds eight campground spots and water and sewer service. Steve said that the money had been set aside in the Burdette budgets to cover the cost of the project.

Commissioner Melcher: How many are we adding?

John Stoll: Eight.

Commissioner Melcher: I thought we was going to try to add more than eight.

John Stoll: With the funding that's there right now, this is all that we can get into this first phase. There's room for more in the future, but there wasn't enough money to get more right now. Steve can probably elaborate on that.

Steve Craig: Steve Craig, Manager of Burdette. What's happening, they're actually putting in eight new sites, but we're putting the sewer to 11 other sites so that we'll have 19 new sites with full hook up. We have 11 sites right now that doesn't have full hook up, they don't have the sewer and that. You can go there in the summer and all of the ones with the sewer are filled up and the ones that aren't they're not. So, we're going to end up with 19 new sites with full hook ups. We're just going to be using the existing pads for 11 of them. Then they're putting in eight new pads and a new entry way into the campground, so that we can have future expansion.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay, I just know there was talk at one time of trying to get it a lot bigger.

Steve Craig: Well, phase two is on the other side of the road, and that will be adding, I think, eight more on that side, which then that would give us 27 new ones. Then there's room to put more later on at another date.

Commissioner Abell: Steve, are you discussing with the County Council allowing for long term camping at Burdette?

Steve Craig: No. We had the discussion the one time at Burdette, and they're allowed to have two months and then it's up to the county, you know, and the person if they would want to stay later. The only thing that was changed was they don't have to leave the park, if they are okayed to stay longer than two months.

Commissioner Abell: I would like to see us, and I think I've mentioned this before, you and I in discussions, and I'll mention it to my fellow Commissioners, I would like to see us really pursue a certain section of that to be long term. Because, I do believe that if the Midwest fertilizer plant goes in we'll have an opportunity to lease some places out for a year, or even two, while that, the construction workers are here building that plant. I would hate to see us miss that opportunity. I walk out at the 4-H Center almost every day and they are always full.

Steve Craig: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Always.

Steve Craig: That's because they don't, they have a renewal lease, but they don't make them leave. That's what we are, my understanding is what we were going to do with this when we had this discussion at Burdette that time.

Commissioner Abell: I would like to see us continue to pursue that. I think that's really the future of getting some money for that facility.

Commissioner Melcher: I really thought that's where we were heading, so they could live out there longer, because if they're in here doing work, you know, it helps us too. It helps the economy.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: But, they can.

Steve Craig: Yes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That's the bottom line is they can.

Commissioner Melcher: They can?

Steve Craig: We did re-write that ordinance, didn't we, Joe?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, yeah.

Steve Craig: It states that they can stay two months, and at the end of the two months—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, it's up to the county if they want to allow them to stay longer.

Commissioner Abell: Well, that's good.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Sometimes the county runs into issues with people out there.

Commissioner Melcher: I understand that.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: They're, at least this is a way.

President Kiefer: That gives us flexibility. So, if somebody's a problem, we can just not renew with them.

Steve Craig: Yes. We, Joe and we just had that redone not long ago, and I'm real comfortable with that, because it's better than having somebody come in and saying they want to stay a year. I don't agree with that, but to say if you want to stay two

months, then they come back and if they request to stay longer, then we have the option of allowing them to stay. Or, if like Joe said, if we have problems or something, they didn't keep their campsite nice, or they, you know, had wild parties or something, you know, then you can make them leave at the end of the two months. If not, the construction workers, they could actually stay indefinitely, as long as they keep renewing their lease.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: So, motion to approve the bid notice?

President Kiefer: Yeah, motion to approve the bid notice?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Next I have, I would like to make a request to transfer \$350,000 from Broadway Avenue Bridge #274, which is account number 1135-4382, to the Maryland Street Bridge #1330, and that account number is 1135-4715. This additional funds, the additional funds are needed to cover the cost of the construction inspection and any CSX flagging fees that we'll have, plus it will give us a little contingency money in the event any unforeseen costs come up on the project. We recently got our bridge inspections started again and I asked the consultants to look at the Broadway Avenue bridge to make sure that we didn't have to replace that right now, which would free up this \$350,000. They said there while it's not in great shape, it does not need replaced next year. We won't have any weight restrictions posted on that bridge. So, we can postpone that bridge without causing any problems for the motorists who use that bridge. It's out on Broadway, out near the county line. So, on that basis, I would like approval of making the transfer, to go to Council to make the transfer request.

Commissioner Abell: So approved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any other discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Then, next I would like to request approval to go to Council to transfer \$42,000 from the Old Boonville Highway Bridge #1530 and \$6,000 from Slate Road Bridge #1990 to Broadway Avenue Bridge #271. The Broadway Avenue Bridge #271 is at Broadway Avenue and Johnson Lane. That's a structure that's been under design for awhile. The utility relocation work is underway. I'm hoping that we can get that out for bid in early 2015, but I know we're short on funds on that project right now as well. That's why transferring these funds from these two accounts because both the Old Boonville Highway structure and the Slate Road structure are finished. So, these are unused remaining balances on those accounts. So, we don't need it for those two bridges, but we will on Broadway and Johnson. So, that's why I'm requesting approval to make those transfers and get another \$48,000 in the Broadway account.

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: The last item, I would like to request the award of contract number VC14-10-01, the Maryland Street Bridge over Pigeon Creek to Deig Brothers for the amount of \$1,968,225.20. Deig Brothers provided the low bid on that project, and we have sufficient money in the account right now to award this contract. We'll just have to hold off until we make the transfer in order to cover the inspection contracts.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Any discussion? Okay. Thanks, appreciate it. No, I was going to call roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thanks, John.

John Stoll: Thanks.

Commissioner Abell: I don't know if we should be bringing this up here or at Drainage Board. Did everybody get the e-mail regarding the Willow Creek Subdivision? I got it today at 2:05 p.m.

John Stoll: I got one.

Commissioner Abell: I think it came from the Perry Township Trustee.

John Stoll: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Is that something we're discussing at Drainage Board? Or, is it something we should discuss here?

John Stoll: It's drainage and streets both. So, either or. I asked some of my staff to go out and start taking a look at the streets—

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

John Stoll: — just to get an inventory of what issues are out there. The streets in Willow Creek have been on our list for potential repairs for several years. It's just they haven't been prioritized as high as some of the other ones because the condition wasn't as bad. We've had more pressing needs, so that's why Willow Creek hasn't had street repair contracts recently. I'm not familiar with what repairs the Highway Department might have made, but we can at least go out there and start making an assessment of what's out there.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

John Stoll: Then, the County Surveyor, Jeff Mueller, did not get that e-mail. I just was discussing it with him and forwarded him a copy. We can start trying to sort through the drainage issues as well. That subdivision, I'm not sure if the entire thing pre-dates the current drainage ordinance, but there are portions, certain sections of that that do pre-date the current drainage ordinance, which means that all of the drainage facilities located outside of the street rights-of-way will be the residents' responsibility. So, that is, there won't be a lot of county involvement in the drainage issues for anything that pre-dates the '94 drainage ordinance, but we'll have to just start doing an assessment of what's out there and then get back with you.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. I just wanted to make sure somebody was working on it, because I got that today. So, it sounds like it's being handled. Thank you.

John Stoll: As soon as the snow melts.

President Kiefer: Thank you, John.

Burdette Park

President Kiefer: Steve, do you have anything else you want to present under department head reports? That was a great event out there in October.

Steve Craig: Well, thank you. I thought it was too.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Steve Craig: We had a great attendance. We finally figured it up, it was around 325-350, including all of the volunteers and that. The trail was packed from USI all the way to Burdette and beyond. The park was full. We had free bratwurst, hot dogs, ice cream, all the goodies and that and it was all donated. I think we're going to try and make it an annual event with USI, and every fall we're going to have this walk, run and ride. It was called "Celebrate the Trail", and really good success. They sang happy birthday to Joe.

President Kiefer: And I ran six miles.

Steve Craig: And he looked like it.

President Kiefer: To USI and back.

Steve Craig: He looked like he ran six miles too.

Commissioner Abell: Who was chasing you, Joe?

President Kiefer: A lot of people.

Steve Craig: I didn't know if, I had got the e-mail from Joe on the appraisals for that property, and I didn't know if it was—

President Kiefer: Oh, thanks for bringing that up.

Steve Craig: — time for us to discuss it, or if you had not been beyond that.

President Kiefer: Yeah, I think, what I saw, I would love to be able to make an offer on the average of the two appraisals. I can't remember what those are off the top of my head, but it wasn't outrageous for—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, I tell you what, I got them right here.

President Kiefer: Good.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: One appraisal was \$125,000, that was by Appraisal Consultants. The other appraisal was \$90,000 by David Matthews and Associates. This relates to that adjacent property there at, what 6111 Nurrenbern Road, is that the address?

Steve Craig: Yes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Really what the Commissioners will need to do is—

President Kiefer: Take it under advisement?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: —take it under advisement, accept the appraisals and see if, you know, they have sufficient funding to make an offer on that property at the average of the two. I don't have my calculator with me, but I'm sure one of you guys can figure it out quickly what that might be. You know, I would think that if the Commissioners are interested in doing that, they can do it within the next couple of meetings. Then you can get with us as to appropriate funding. We don't have to discuss it right now.

President Kiefer: So, basically we're looking at \$107,500, is what we're looking at on that. So, Joe, maybe you can help us with this. I don't know, Steve, didn't you, do we have any ideas on funding sources?

Steve Craig: No, I mean, it came at an inopportune time. It was after budget hearing and that.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Steve Craig: We didn't have any foresight into that this property would come up.

President Kiefer: It could be we've just got to go to the city, I mean, the County Council and ask for the money.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: But, anyway, at least we have the appraisals now and there's time to, you know, within the next several months to see what we can do. If the county can make an offer, that's fine. But, anyway, I've got a copy of the appraisals, and I think Madelyn has a copy as well, but—

President Kiefer: Yeah, I saw, I think they e-mailed these.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Anyway, there's an extra copy. Did you get one as well for each property?

Steve Craig: Yes, sir, I did.

President Kiefer: I think what's really telling on this is where the property is located. When you see an aerial view of where the property is located, it just makes sense for us to get this. I mean, it's right in the heart of our property here.

Steve Craig: It's also, Jerry and I, we had some good ideas that you could incorporate it with the Discovery Lodge, and, you know, the amount of weddings and that. It does come with a house on it.

President Kiefer: The house seemed like it was in decent condition.

Steve Craig: Oh, it's in good shape.

President Kiefer: The interior, yeah.

Commissioner Abell: Did you go out there?

President Kiefer: No, but they had color pictures, interior photos.

Steve Craig: So, you know, there's all kinds of possibilities. It would be an asset to the park. Being as three, or all four sides is either surrounded by USI or Burdette Park, you know, not that somebody wouldn't want to live there, but it only seems common sense that, you know, one of the two of us would want to own it. They've got enough property they don't, you know, I don't think they're interested right now.

President Kiefer: I mean, Joe, if we, after we take this under advisement, but if we decided we wanted to buy it contingent on financing, I mean, contingent on funding, I mean, we could probably make an offer subject to approval of the County Council, or wherever we would get the money at.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, I mean, the county could make an offer that said it was subject to funding—

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: —but, again, that may mean nothing.

President Kiefer: Exactly.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: If I were you, I wouldn't want to do that. I would prefer to make an offer, if you've got the money.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Because, and I think that's what the owners, the family would like.

President Kiefer: Yeah. Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Could we rent it out and get our money back and then we'll get it paid off.

Steve Craig: Yes. I mean, we talked about a bed and breakfast or something, you know, having it even as a honeymoon suite or something.

President Kiefer: For the price that we could get this at, I think, assuming that the seller would sell it for this.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah, I know.

President Kiefer: You know, I mean, we're limited by what we can offer, but, if we could get it, I think it could be of benefit to the county and to Burdette Park.

Steve Craig: I think so too.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: But you just need to look around for the cash.

President Kiefer: Yeah, well, let's take it under advisement. Is there a motion to do that?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, great. Thank you, Steve, appreciate it.

Steve Craig: Steve, I'm glad to see you back and doing well.

Commissioner Melcher: I'm glad to be back. Thank you.

Steve Craig: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay, Joe, I think that's what you wanted to talk about.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes.

Board Appointments

President Kiefer: Next is board appointments. Do I need to read these board appointments in for the record?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: You probably should.

President Kiefer: Okay. I'll just go down the list here. These aren't all board appointments. These are just ones that we're making so we can get started at the beginning of the year. We've got the Alcoholic Beverage Commission, Kurt Kiefer; Burdette Park Advisory; Steve Provost, Jan Davies, Fred Padget; Central Dispatch Board, Jo Ann Smith; Construction and Roofing and License Review Board; Jeff Happe, Ron Dauby, William Alexander III; Convention and Visitors Bureau; Joseph Kiefer II, Shane Weaver; Disability Services Advisory Board; Don Counts, Della Sandage; EARC, Dr. Greg Goffinet; Electrical Examiners Board; Mark Schnur, Jerry Goedde, Don Beavin; Emergency Management Agency; Mark Merrill, Dave Wedding, Randy Gentry; Coalition to End Homelessness, Stephen Ralph; HVAC, Refrigeration and Steamfitters Board of Examiners; Bob Crow, John Wright, Lon Walters; MPO, Donnie Angel; MWBE, Kawan Watters; Parks Commission, Gary Shetler; Pigeon Creek Greenway; Jeff Mueller, Tammy Dexter, Steve Craig, Fred Padget and Blaine Oliver; PTABOA; Robert Wathen and Dan Humphrey, and Redevelopment Commission; Chuck Whobrey and Jim Will, Jr.

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

New Business/Old Business

President Kiefer: Next is, is there any new business? Any old business to discuss?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Is there any public comment?

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Consent items please.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the November 18th meeting are as follows; we have approval of the October 28, 2014 Commission meeting minutes; employment changes for the Commissioners approval; we have one for the Commission office, two for the County Highway and one for Burdette Park; the

Commissioners have change order number ten on the second floor Old Courthouse renovations, an abutting property bid notice for 1112 Oakley Street, corrective quit claim deeds for; 505 Covert Avenue, 606 608 N. Fourth Avenue, 419 Covert Avenue; we have a quit claim deed for sale of county owned properties to the City of Evansville for Blight Elimination Project; transfer requests for Change of Venue, METS Transportation Service (Elderly and Handicap) and Legal Services; the County Recorder has an attorney fee agreement; the Assessor's Office has a request to surplus three office chairs; the County Auditor has approval of the October 2014 A/P vouchers; the County Clerk has the October 2014 monthly report; the County Engineer office has a department head report, and the County Ozone Officer has the September 2014 monthly report.

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Any other business? If not, I ask for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the October 28, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.
Change Order No. 10: Old Courthouse Second Floor Renovation Project.
Abutting Property Bid Notice: 1112 Oakley Street.
Corrective Quit Claim Deeds: 505 Covert, 606 608 N. 4th St., 419 Covert.
Quit Claim Deed for County Owned Properties to City of Evansville.
Transfer Requests (3): Change of Venue, METS Elderly/Handicap, Legal Services.

Employment Changes:

Commissioners (1)	County Highway (2)	Burdette Park (1)
Auditor (1)	Surveyor (1)	Prosecutor (3)
Public Defender (2)	Sheriff (13)	

County Recorder: Attorney Fee Agreement.

County Assessor: Surplus Request Letter: Three Office Chairs.

County Auditor: October 2014 A/P Vouchers.

County Clerk: October 2014 Monthly Report.

County Engineer: Department Head Report.

County Ozone Officer: September 2014 Monthly Report.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Joe Gries	Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer
Madelyn Grayson	Ron London	Annie Groves
Steve Lockyear	Ken Spear	Dave Wedding
Mark Uhrin	John Stoll	Steve Craig
Others Unidentified	Members of Media	

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
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Marsha Abell, Vice President

Stephen Melcher, Member

(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
NOVEMBER 25, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 25th day of November, 2014 at 5:02 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good evening. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners meeting for November 25, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: If we could do roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here. Okay, we have full attendance tonight.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would ask the students here in the audience if you wouldn't mind leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance?

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you. The students in the audience, would you stand up so that we can see everybody that's here? Welcome here tonight. We appreciate you being here. Are you with Youth Resources or some other program?

Unidentified: North.

President Kiefer: North High School. Okay, well welcome to our meeting. Thank you for coming.

**First Reading of Ordinance CO. 12-14-006:
Amending Title 16: Subdivision Control Ordinance &
Title 15: Building Requirements of Vanderburgh County Code**

President Kiefer: Under action items we have a first reading of CO.12-14-006, an ordinance amending Title 16, the subdivision control ordinance and Title 15 pertaining to building requirements of Vanderburgh County Code. I see Ron London is here to discuss.

Ron London: Good evening. I forwarded you an e-mail, roughly two weeks ago, just kind of explaining an outline of the sidewalk ordinance. I don't know if you want me to go through an overview of that, or if you want me to answer any questions you have. I could do whatever you would like.

President Kiefer: Why don't you just do, you know, go through the program with us.

Ron London: Okay, basically this ordinance is trying to correct a few things that we have. There's two main issues; first off, number one, the process for placing sidewalks in a subdivision totally can remain the same with this ordinance, if you would like. The developer basically has an option now. The options that we're trying to change is, basically we're trying to tie the sidewalk now with the certificate of occupancy. The reason why we're doing that is basically two reasons, number one, whenever the sidewalk gets poured, right now there's no inspection that's basically being done on the sidewalk, or the inspection is being done maybe six months after it's been poured. With that process sometimes the sidewalks aren't poured correctly, and whenever you have to go back on the homeowner to rip out the sidewalk, not only do you have to rip out the sidewalk, but you also have to rip out their driveway. With this process here, basically before the person can get their certificate of occupancy and even move into their home there would be an inspection done. That inspection is going to be done by the Building Commission who's already out there to do an inspection for the C of O. So, we have the ability to be able to look at that right away and correct the problem if there is an issue. The other thing that it does, is now the sidewalk is tied to a letter of credit. Basically, this now allows the sidewalk to not have to go on the letter of credit at all, which alleviates the developer who's now responsible for the sidewalk, it now actually puts the ownership of the sidewalk on the person who actually does the work, which is the home builder or the homeowner. That way we don't have letters of credit sitting out there for five or ten years just because sidewalks have to stay on the letter of credit until the very last one is poured, which means the very last lot has to be sold and built on, which could take up to five or ten years. This immediately takes that off the letter of credit. Then we won't have letters of credit sitting out there for maybe five or ten years, maybe only a couple.

President Kiefer: Ron, does this, first of all you and I talked about this a little bit, and I do think that this is a good idea, a good approach. One question I did have though is, I think in the past we've struggled with doing sidewalks, and a lot of times we even allow people to waive doing the sidewalks because of so many different people constructing the sidewalks, you know, each homeowner, you know, the builder would construct the sidewalks we ended up getting people not complying with ADA, and then we ended up having a problem—

Ron London: Right.

President Kiefer: – and then later having to go back in and try to fix that.

Ron London: Uh-huh.

President Kiefer: What will happen with this new ordinance, will that effect that, or will we still have that as a continued concern?

Ron London: Well, what it does it, now if you do this, since it's tied to the certificate of occupancy and that home gets built and the sidewalk gets built, there will be an immediate inspection before that homeowner even moves into their home.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Ron London: So, we'll know if there's a problem up front, and they should be able to get it corrected before—

President Kiefer: I gotcha.

Ron London: — they are given the certificate of occupancy. So, now you have an immediate inspection, so if there's a problem it's caught and it can be fixed right away.

President Kiefer: I gotcha. So, it should eliminate some of the problems then.

Ron London: Right.

President Kiefer: If anything.

Ron London: Correct.

President Kiefer: Okay, does any Commissioner have a question?

Commissioner Abell: I have one question, Ron.

Ron London: Sure.

Commissioner Abell: I don't have a question actually with the ordinance, I looked at it, but the Builders Association they're pretty happy with this I would think?

Ron London: Oh, absolutely.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, okay. Thank you.

Ron London: Absolutely. We worked hand in hand with them, and the Mayor, I've tried to give everyone here the information.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Ron London: So, we've tried to vet this out as much as we could. I think it's a good change.

Commissioner Abell: Well, I think it definitely is a good change for them, and that helps them continue to grow, and that helps our tax base. So, I can't imagine that...it's a win-win as far as I'm concerned.

Commissioner Melcher: Yeah, Bill Pedtke sits on Area Plan, so I would think they would be for this.

Ron London: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Ron, as far as a waiver is concerned, the county could still waive sidewalks if they wanted to.

Ron London: Absolutely.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That's still part of the ordinance.

Ron London: You can waive it, and also you can come in now, before you couldn't come in with like an alternative plan. Now you can come in with an alternative plan of putting in, maybe you want to put in a walkway around a lake, you know, that's kind of a trade off, instead of doing the sidewalk you can now do that. There's options out there for people, before there wasn't an option. So, this also gives them the option of being able to do things like that.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: I move to approve on first reading.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further questions? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, so, Commissioner, you said first reading, we don't—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Final reading would be—

Madelyn Grayson: December 9th.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: —December 9th.

President Kiefer: December 9th, okay. Good, I didn't know when we were setting that.

**Old Courthouse Lease Agreement: Rye-Hall: Suite 103
2015 WNIN Agreement
2015-2017 Towing Contract with Hamrick's Towing & Recovery
2015 Employee Assistance Program Agreement with Mulberry Center
Health Dept: Revised Emerson Power Service Maintenance Contract
Health Dept: Immunization Grant
Deputy Sheriffs' FOP Collective Bargaining Agreement (2015-2017)**

President Kiefer: Okay, next under contracts, agreements and leases, Commissioners, we have an Old Courthouse lease agreement with Maria Rye dba/ Maria Scott Events, LLC, and DaKyissa Hall dba/ Beauty Date for suite 103. These

are two, these are new, two year lease agreements for suite 103. It starts on January 15, 2015 and ends January 14, 2017. Monthly payments of \$613.33 will be made to the county. With these leases we, I mean, with this lease, this new two year lease agreement, with this I believe we'll only have one space left available in the entire Old Courthouse. I would like to ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I think we've come a long way in getting all of those, I think you've done a good job since you've been over there helping too.

President Kiefer: Oh, thanks. I appreciate that.

Commissioner Melcher: I think we've come a long way. So, I vote yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: I would like to also give a lot of credit to Kristin Comer, because I know she does a lot of work over there. Our agent has done a pretty decent job as well. So, I think we have a good team in place. I bet it's not going to be very long we'll be 100 percent leased out there. So, I'll vote yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next is the 2015 annual WNIN agreement for televising Commissioner meetings. It runs from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. The cost is \$100 per half hour. I believe this is pretty much the same agreement we've had in the past. So, are there any questions?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next is the Vanderburgh County towing and storage contract. This is a renewal contract with Hamrick's Towing and Recovery, LLC. It runs from January 1st through December 31, 2017. Discussion?

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, next is the county employee assistance agreement with Mulberry Center. Annual agreement runs from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. The fee per session amount has increased from \$75 a session to \$77 a session.

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion?

Commissioner Abell: Do we have any idea how many—

President Kiefer: People use it?

Commissioner Abell: —first of all, how many people in the county use this? I'm aware of it, but are all of employees aware of the ability to use this? Or do we have any handle on that at all?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Is that on our benefit list? You know, where we have a list of options. Do you have any idea?

Joe Gries: If it's part of our...is it part of our health—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: That's what I was wondering.

Joe Gries: –insurance contract?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, no, but I was just wondering if it could be included somewhere where people can get online and know that that's something that's available.

Joe Gries: I mean, we can add the information to the Auditor's site. I mean, we're happy to do that. I don't know that I have the information, but I can get it from, I guess, from Madelyn and from the contract here.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think that would help.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, I know when we had an incident occur out at Burdette Park and some of the employees were upset over someone almost drowning, they were able to get counseling there, but I just wonder if our employees realize it doesn't even have to be job related and they can get counseling there. We probably need to do something, maybe draw something up and get it out to everybody.

Madelyn Grayson: I think Mulberry Center has like a tri-fold pamphlet that they leave outside your office sometimes. Maybe we could put those in with the—

Commissioner Abell: Would you check on that, Madelyn, and see if we could get a number of those and get them out to our employees so they would know that this is available for them? This is an extremely cheap rate for that type service. So, I would like for them to know it's available.

President Kiefer: So, the county pays the \$77 per hour, not the employee?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think the county pays it.

Commissioner Abell: I think we pay it, don't we?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yeah.

President Kiefer: Yeah, so, I mean, this would be a great deal, a benefit to the employees.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, if they were going to a counselor, they would pay at least twice that much.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Right.

Commissioner Abell: At least.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Or more.

President Kiefer: Yeah. Okay, do we have a motion on this?

Commissioner Abell: I made a motion to approve.

President Kiefer: Yeah, and Steve seconded? Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next, Health Department, revised Emerson Network Power service maintenance contract. I see Dr. Spear is here to discuss this. Dr. Spear, this is what I have on this. I have that it's a revised version of the contract that was approved November 18th of this year. The new contract will be for six months. The service agreement is for \$2,996, and the County Health Department will be working to hook up a generator system to power the vaccine storage freezers at the end of this six month agreement.

Ken Spear: That's correct.

President Kiefer: Okay. Any questions for Dr. Spear?

Ken Spear: We're just trying to save money on the contract, to see if we can get the service from the building generator.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: They did cancel the one, they sent a letter in and cancelled the one that was approved last week.

Ken Spear: Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: I'll second. Dr., I'm understanding here that what you're looking at doing then is actually having a back up generator at the Health Department that you own?

Ken Spear: The building owner owns. They just haven't used it—

Commissioner Abell: Oh.

Ken Spear: — and they're willing to put it back in service, to their benefit and to our benefit, because the battery back up that we have right now lasts two hours.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. We had one laying around here somewhere. Everybody remember that? An actual generator that they took from Roberts Stadium. I don't know what we did with it.

Commissioner Melcher: It's at the Garage.

Commissioner Abell: It's at the County Garage. If that doesn't work out and you need one, call the County Garage, they might have one for you.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: We've--

President Kiefer: Oh, you already did that? I wasn't paying attention then. Okay, then roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Dr. Spear, do you want to talk about the immunization grant agreement with the Indiana Department of Health?

Ken Spear: Yes. We are receiving an immunization grant from the Indiana Department of Health for \$164,000, starting January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. It was in partnership with Deaconess, St. Mary's, ECHO, the Health Department and was also co-sponsored by the Community Patient Safety Coalition. It's to increase immunization rates in our county, obviously, to decrease vaccine wastage. It will help update some of our equipment; freezers, computer software/hardware and that type of thing. It's really excellent for the county. It's money coming into the county for programs around immunizations for children, teenagers and adults. It helps buy us some new equipment that we sorely need.

President Kiefer: Okay. The actual amount that I show is \$164,172. So, anyway, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Ken Spear: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you very much. Next, County Deputy Sheriff's FOP collective bargaining agreement. This runs from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017. The new contract will allow an increase in the base annual salary for Sheriff Deputies and a slight increase in longevity pay and rank differential pay. The financial obligations are only enforceable as long as sufficient funds are appropriated by the Vanderburgh County Council and approved thereafter by the State of Indiana. We have representatives from the Sheriff's Department here to speak about this.

Dave Wedding: Hello, Dave Wedding, Sheriff. This is Chris Roe, he's the President of the VCDO. I think he's had an opportunity to speak to each and every one of you Commissioners prior to this meeting.

Chris Roe: Thank you, Sheriff. Thanks for adding us to the agenda tonight to bring our contract in front of you guys. You know, we've met individually with each of you, and we definitely appreciate the support you guys have given us previously, and as we go into this next three years of our new contract.

Commissioner Melcher: I think it speaks well when the Sheriff, and Sheriffs have always done this since we started these, that everybody is working together. I make a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: Second. There's no change in this since the one that you showed us when we met some time back?

Chris Roe: The only changes were to the fiscal side of things. We met with Councilman Raben on them and we actually lowered what we had originally shown you guys.

Commissioner Abell: Oh.

Chris Roe: So, it's come in a little bit lower.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, thank you.

President Kiefer: The County Council has a way of doing that, don't they? I'll ask for roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I'll be glad to, yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Chris Roe: Thank you, Commissioners.

President Kiefer: Thank you, gentlemen, appreciate your service.

Dave Wedding: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you very much.

Department Head Reports

President Kiefer: Department head reports. I was notified by John Stoll that he did not have any report, which I replied back that means we're not spending money, so that's a good thing. Are there any other department head reports? I don't see anybody else out here in the audience.

New Business/Old Business

President Kiefer: Is there any new business? Old business?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Is there any public comment? Anybody from the public?

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Okay, consent items please, Madelyn.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the November 25th meeting are as follows; we have approval of the November 18, 2014 Commission meeting minutes. We have one employment change for the Commissioners approval for the Old National Events Plaza. The County Recorder employees union health insurance rates. Evansville ARC has the September and October 2014 monthly report. The County Soil and Water Conservation District has the October 2014 monthly report. The County Assessor has a request to surplus five office chairs. The County Sheriff has a request to surplus two vehicles to Wolfe's Auto Auction. The County Engineer has a department head report, and Weights and Measures has the October 16-November 15, 2014 monthly report.

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval of the consent agenda.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much for getting that accomplished. If there's no other business before the County Commissioners, we'll ask for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:21 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the November 18, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.

Evansville ARC: September & October 2014 Monthly Reports.

SWCD: October 2014 Monthly Report.

Employment Changes: Sheriff (1) ONEP (Centre) (1)

County Recorder: Employees 2015 Union Health Insurance Rates.

County Assessor: Surplus Request Letter: Five Office Chairs.

County Sheriff: Surplus Two Vehicles to Wolfe's Auto Auction.

County Engineer: Department Head Report.

Weights & Measures: October 16- November 15, 2014 Monthly Report.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer

Joe Gries

Madelyn Grayson

Dave Wedding

Members of Media

Marsha Abell

Joe Harrison, Jr.

Ron London

Chris Roe

Stephen Melcher

Kristin Comer

Ken Spear

Others Unidentified

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(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 9, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 9th day of December, 2014 at 5:02 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good evening. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for December 9, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: Could you do roll call please?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here. With all three Commissioners here, we have a quorum.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: I would like to ask Commissioner Melcher to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Kiefer: Thank you very much.

**Announcement of Commissioner Kiefer's Conflict of Interest on
Rezoning Petition VC-7-2014**

President Kiefer: Let's see, before we get started this evening, I just want to let everybody know that when we get to zoning, there is one zoning that I have a conflict of interest on, that I'll need to step out of the room. We'll ask Commissioner Abell to run the meeting during that portion of the meeting. So, I just, when you see me get up and leave for a few minutes, you'll understand why I'm leaving the room. Oh, yes, and then, so, that's later on in the zoning.

**Introduction of Teen Advisory Council Job Shadows &
EVSC Government Class Students**

President Kiefer: Before we get started, we have students here with Youth Resources. Would you like to tell us who you are and what school and what grade you're in?

Zach Bouchie: Yeah, I'm Zach Bouchie. I'm a Senior at Memorial.

Kaylen Meeks: I'm Kaylen Meeks. I'm a Junior at North.

President Kiefer: How long have you two been involved with Youth Resources?

Zach Bouchie: This is my third year.

President Kiefer: Third?

Kaylen Meeks: This is my first year.

President Kiefer: Okay, so, great. Welcome here. We appreciate Youth Resources. We love having you here. Feel free anytime you have questions during the meeting, you could either lean over and ask Commissioner Abell, or just raise your hand and we'll let you get involved in the meeting process, if you would like.

Zach Bouchie: Thank you.

President Kiefer: You're welcome, and thank you. Are there any other students in the audience? You're from what school?

Chris Alexander: Chris Alexander and I'm from Harrison High School.

President Kiefer: : Harrison? Somebody is back there from—

Commissioner Melcher: Have them get up and speak.

President Kiefer: Why don't you come up to the podium and just introduce yourself and say what school and what grade you are in.

Commissioner Melcher: That way we'll have the correct name for the minutes.

Chris Alexander: Hi, my name is Chris Alexander. I'm a Senior at Harrison.

President Kiefer: You're here for government class?

Chris Alexander: Yes, sir.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

Allie Rollins: I'm Allie Rollins. I'm a Senior at North.

President Kiefer: Welcome, and you're here for government class as well?

Allie Rollins: Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Taylor Humphrey: I'm Taylor Humphrey. I'm a Senior at North.

President Kiefer: Welcome. Thank you very much for being here tonight. We always appreciate having students. Okay, thank you.

**Permission to Open Bids for VC-14-12-01:
Burdette Park Campground Expansion: Phase 1 (Deferred)**

President Kiefer: I would like to have permission to open bids VC14-12-01, Burdette Park campground expansion, phase one.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Can I mention something?

President Kiefer: Yes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: John Stoll is here. Why don't you come up? We're not going to be opening those bids tonight. He'll give you the reason why. Then, they'll be coming back, I believe, next week.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll rescind my second.

President Kiefer: Okay. Do you rescind your first then?

Commissioner Abell: I do.

President Kiefer: Okay.

John Stoll: We had some issues come up late in regard to the sanitary sewer permitting. So, we're starting to get those resolved. The consultant is getting the permits applied for and we delayed the bids for another week to give the consultants opportunity, I mean, the contractors an opportunity to deal with the changes that we sent out in an addendum.

President Kiefer: John, do you feel like we'll still be on schedule to have the campground opening at the normal time that we had anticipated?

John Stoll: We will extend the completion date from June 30th to July 31st as a result of these changes.

President Kiefer: Oh, that's a bummer, because July 4th weekend is a big weekend. So, oh well, I mean, we did our best. So, any other questions?

Commissioner Abell: This had a deadline, these bids were due in at, correct?

John Stoll: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: So, I guess, we need to officially table this so that we—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Just continue it to next week.

Commissioner Abell: Continue it till next week, so, I'll move that we continue this till next week.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, all in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: So, it's tabled.

John Stoll: We did notify all of the contractors that picked up plans through an addendum, but the bids will be delayed until next week. So, they're all aware of it as well.

President Kiefer: Well, I'm excited about this project, so I look forward to having this underway.

John Stoll: Thanks.

President Kiefer: Thanks.

The ARC of Evansville Bi-Annual Update

President Kiefer: Under action items, we have Evansville ARC bi-annual update. Deidra Conner is here to make a quick presentation.

Deidra Conner: With my partner, Joe Langerak. Good evening, my name is Deidra Conner. I'm the President of what is now known as The ARC of Evansville. We are a non-profit organization that was formed by families 60 years ago when those families did not have a place for their children to attend school. So, we started as a school for children, and now we serve 750 children and adults, many of those folks on a daily basis through nine individual programs at our, through our services. Our youngest client is six weeks old. Our oldest client is 83. So, we really serve a lifespan of an individual, and provide supports to their parents and other family members as well. Our motto is really, "Independent Lives for People with Disabilities". So, everything we do is focused on helping people with disabilities live as independently as possible right here in our local community. Now, I always bring someone with me who's a little more interesting than I am to hear from. Today I have with me Joe Langerak, who is an attorney here in Evansville with the law firm of Jackson Kelly. He is one of our board members, a board officer, he's played a really key role in helping us develop some new initiatives in recent years. He has three children, two of those kiddos are in our Child Life Center. So, I wanted Joe to have a few minutes to share his story and his experiences with you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, and, Joe, welcome.

Joe Langerak: Thank you, ladies and gentlemen. I'm Joe Langerak. I'm a resident of the county. I've stood at this podium countless occasions for work, and I normally have a tie on, tonight I don't because I'm before you as a father and volunteer board member. Martha May, my daughter, and George, my son, are both at the Child Life Center. What led us to the Child Life Center is my daughter happens to have Downs Syndrome. When we were looking for a place that she could go and grow during the day, because my wife is also a lawyer, we didn't know where to send her. It was

heartbreaking because we simply couldn't find a place that she was comfortable with, that she could get the proper therapies, and we were at a loss. Ultimately we found our way to the Child Life Center, and when you have the opportunity, after so many poor experiences, to see your daughter run into that room and have numerous caretakers that are well qualified, she is happy to be there. Her therapists can go there and give her therapies on site so that she can maximize her potential and become a contributing citizen to our community. That's something that's really special to us. It was only after that happened that I reached to Evansville ARC, The ARC of Evansville, and said I want to be a part of your organization. I don't care what it is. I want to volunteer, I need to be a part of this. It impacted us on the most intimate and personal level, which is the growth of our children. So, it's very important to me and I want you to know that what the Commission does and the Commissioners in supporting us is greatly appreciated. I want to tell you about one project briefly and then I'll let you get to the more important agenda items, when we left the hospital with Martha May, we didn't know where to go for advice on how to raise a child with Downs Syndrome. We knew other members in the community, but we didn't have any resources to call. We were given a bag of pamphlets, all of which led us to Indianapolis. They were all 317 numbers. We thought that was a problem. During my intake to Evansville ARC, Deidra said, "Do you see any problems that we might be able to cure as an organization?" I'm proud to say that as of earlier this year, both St. Mary's and Deaconess are now carrying a program that every mother is handed that has local resources in our county and our city locally that they can call. This is not just for children with Downs Syndrome, this is for children with disabilities and those without disabilities. It's a series of resources that are here locally. So, this is another example of your support to our organization really contributing to Vanderburgh County and the City of Evansville. In that vein, we just want to thank you for the opportunity to talk to you today. I won't take up any more of your time, but you are a valued partner to this and the folks that we serve greatly appreciate what it is you do. So, with that I will leave you to it. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Joe, appreciate that presentation. Deidra, thank you very much for everything you do. I think, next week we will officially vote on our agreement with you to provide funds.

Deidra Conner: Okay.

President Kiefer: You don't have to come back next week, so, we'll just go ahead and vote on that. Is there anything, any questions or anything that anybody has of Deidra or Joe before they leave?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

President Kiefer: I really enjoyed the ribbon cutting, that was really enjoyable. You had a great group of community supporters there. Thank you for all that you're doing.

Deidra Conner: Thank you for being there. If anyone needs the assistance of ARC, call me at 812-428-4500, extension 304. We're always happy to help. On behalf of the people that we serve at ARC, thank you for your support.

President Kiefer: So, you do work at ARC and not at Vectren as their spokesperson?

Deidra Conner: I don't, and I'm actually at The ARC of Evansville. I need to get it out, I need to be better about that, saying the new name, but we do sincerely appreciate all that you do for us.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Appreciate it. I was just teasing because she did some commercials for Vectren.

Commissioner Abell: We've seen them.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

First Reading of CO.12-14-007: 2015 Commission Meeting Dates

President Kiefer: Okay, next is the first reading of CO.12-14-007. This is an ordinance for 2015 Commissioner meeting dates. Is there a motion to approve ordinance CO.12-14-007?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Is there discussion? Do we need to read these dates into the...or is the—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think it's fine. It's first reading.

President Kiefer: Okay, alright. Okay, we have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: We'll have second and final reading next week. We don't need a motion on that, do we? Just—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No.

President Kiefer: Okay, so, we'll have second and final reading next week.

**First Reading of CO.12-14-008: Amending Chapters 2.40 & 8.20:
Health Department Fees**

President Kiefer: Next we move on to first reading of CO.12-14-008 amending chapters 2.40 and 8.20, Health Department fees. This involves a minor increase in fees charged for certain septic related permits and certain vital records. I see we...Dr. Spear is here to tell us more about it, for first reading, but we can talk about it now. Yeah, we can just go ahead and talk about it now and then we'll have a second reading of that later.

Ken Spear: Okay, this was approved by our board to submit to the Commissioners for their review. The first is the combining of two fees for our septic and water inspections to make it easier on the customer so they will actually get a reduced fee on water testing at the same time they're getting their septic done so they don't have to come back out a second time. They have two separate fees. So, it's a reduced fee with a combined fee structure. The second is in response to the Supreme Court ruling that we now must provide copies of death certificates to any individual that comes in and requests them. We are providing those at a reduced rate, but taking off the social security number and it's not a certified death certificate. It's just a copy of a death certificate for genealogical purposes or whatever the person requests it for.

President Kiefer: Okay, are there any questions?

Commissioner Abell: Dr. Spear, you said it's at a reduced rate?

Ken Spear: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: What's the purpose for the reduced rate?

Ken Spear: It was just—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It's not certified. It doesn't have all of the same information, like social security numbers and things like that that the family would need.

Ken Spear: It really does not have any legal standing.

President Kiefer: So, it's just to provide information, but not have—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: The cause of death information and all that other information except basically the social security number and it's not certified, which costs a little extra. But, they can get that, if they want to pay the extra amount of money, they can get that document.

Commissioner Abell: I guess, my thought was that you're probably having to spend more labor time taking off people's social security number.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, probably.

Ken Spear: That's possible.

President Kiefer: But, you're comfortable with this?

Ken Spear: Yes, I was.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Ken Spear: I thought it was, actually, something for the public a little bit less, recognizing that we now must provide that for them.

President Kiefer: Okay, any....Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

President Kiefer: Okay, so, this is first reading, so, is there a motion to move this to second reading?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: I'm voting to move it to second reading only.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: So, yes.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: So, next week, is that okay then? Next week we'll hear it for the second and final reading?

Ken Spear: Surely. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Dr. Spear, maybe, at first I was thinking maybe you might not have to come back for this particular thing, but it sounds like maybe the Commissioners may still have some additional questions. So, if you don't mind.

Ken Spear: I'll be here.

President Kiefer: Thanks.

METS Elderly & Handicap Transportation Agreement (July-Dec 2014)
2015 METS-USI Transportation Agreement
2015 Purdue C-Op Extension Service Agreement
Cultural Resource Analysts OCH Lease Agreement Amendment
Purchasing: East Penn Battery Agreement Extension
EMA: Sub-Grant Agreement (Computers & Protective Equipment)
County Assessor: Team Consulting Training Agreement
Health Dept: MRC Grant Agreement
Health Dept: Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Agreement ®. Jackson)
Health Dept: 2015 STD Grant Agreement

President Kiefer: Contracts, agreements and leases. Commissioners 2014 July to December METS Elderly and Handicap transportation services agreement between the city and the county. This runs from July 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. This is something, obviously, it's December, so, you know, we need to get this taken care of. The cost is \$173,962.02. It's obvious that these services are being used in the county quite frequently with these costs. I believe, our legal counsel has been working with METS to determine for 2015 that the charges have been, you know, that we're collecting the fees that rider ship pays for to make sure we're not overpaying on that. But, Joe, you're comfortable with these dollar amounts that they're submitting in this contract?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: For this contract, yes.

President Kiefer: Yes, okay. With that, I would like to see if there's any questions. If not, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: No further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, good, we're good until December 31st and then we need a new contract. Okay, 2015 METS-USI transportation agreement. This is the service to USI during the spring and fall school semesters for 2015. The annual cost of the contract is \$25,000. So, not quite as expensive as the METS service. Are there any questions for that? Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next we have a 2015 Purdue Co-Op Extension service agreement. This is the annual agreement with Purdue University to provide local educational programs and services by the Extension Services office. This will run from 2015, January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. The cost is \$76,860. Joe, is this pretty similar cost to previous years? Do you know?

Joe Gries: I'm sorry, I don't.

President Kiefer: Does anybody know that answer?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think it is, but, Kristin might know.

Kristin Comer: There's no change.

President Kiefer: No change? Okay. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Do you have a question?

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, is there someone here from –

Susan Plassmeier: Yes.

President Kiefer: Oh, well, come on up. I'm sorry I didn't invite you up sooner.

Susan Plassmeier: That's okay.

President Kiefer: We have a first and a second. This is under discussion.

Susan Plassmeier: Okay.

President Kiefer: I guess, I just want to verify....state your name.

Susan Plassmeier: Okay. Susan Plassmeier, I'm the County Extension Director.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Is this the same cost?

Susan Plassmeier: It's a one percent increase.

President Kiefer: One percent increase?

Susan Plassmeier: Uh-huh.

President Kiefer: Okay. Okay, well, that's fair enough. Do you want to say anything else for the record?

Susan Plassmeier: This supports financial support the three Purdue Extension Educators that are housed here in Vanderburgh County to do educational programming. The horticulture, youth development and health and human sciences are the three program areas.

President Kiefer: Okay. Any questions?

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, I would like to ask that maybe a report could come every six months or so, so we know what we're getting for \$76,860. Because if someone asked me what programs you give, I really could not answer that question with much degree of intelligence. I know some of the things that you do.

Susan Plassmeier: We try, when we do a "Making a Difference" statement, usually about twice a year, usually we try to send those through to the County Council and the Commissioners.

Commissioner Abell: I don't--

Susan Plassmeier: I know it's going to the County Council.

Commissioner Abell: I don't think we've....Kristin, are you aware of it?

Susan Plassmeier: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: I don't think we've gotten anything.

Susan Plassmeier: Then we'll make sure that happens.

Commissioner Abell: It would be, because just like Deidra Conner comes and gives us a report of what they do annually, actually she comes probably two or three times a year, I think any time there's some funding that's county money, we should have some of that.

Susan Plassmeier: No problem.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, thank you.

Susan Plassmeier: I would be happy to do that.

President Kiefer: Yeah, as a matter of fact, it wouldn't hurt my feelings if you actually came and, you know, every quarter or every six months and gave us a little slide show or something.

Susan Plassmeier: A presentation?

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Susan Plassmeier: We can do that.

President Kiefer: As long as it's not real long.

Susan Plassmeier: Okay.

President Kiefer: You know, something we can....okay, so we, I think we have a first and a second. Can we have roll call please?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you, Susan.

Susan Plassmeier: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Appreciate it. Next is amendment to Old Courthouse lease agreement with Cultural Resource Analysts, Inc. adding suite 210. This is a current tenant who wishes to expand their current lease to include room 210. The term is January 1, 2015 through October 31, 2016. Additional rent payments of \$119.33 will be made on January 1 through October 31, 2015 and will increase to \$407.25 per month for the remainder of the lease, November 1, 2015 through October 31, 2016. Yeah, so this is good. Our tenants are expanding and doing well. I would—

Commissioner Melcher: I was going to say, we only have one?

President Kiefer: Yeah, we have one space available. What is that, suite 205, do you know, Kristin?

Kristin Comer: 105.

President Kiefer: 105. So, we have one space for the general public and for all the world to know, we have one space remaining to lease. Come and get it while it's still available. Okay, that's my sales pitch. Is there a motion to approve this amendment?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next is agreement with VPS Architecture for bid specs, design work for the third floor corridor restoration. The cost of the contract is not to exceed the sum of \$21,000, which will be paid by the OCH Foundation. Are there any questions? Because we do have the architect here in the audience. Any questions for her?

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

President Kiefer: You're off the hook. Okay, we have a motion to approve. I need a second.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay. I'm excited about this. I mean, we've got the first and second floors done. I'm excited about getting this third floor accomplished. We're really looking forward to a lot of exciting things at the Old Courthouse. We will be doing some kind of, the Old Courthouse Foundation will be doing some kind of event, fund-raising event, when we get it completed. So, there's my second sales pitch. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: General public, looking forward to seeing you down at the Old Courthouse. Purchasing Department, 2015 county battery extension agreement. No, wait a second....yeah, that's right. This is with East Penn Manufacturing Company. It runs from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. The pricing for batteries remains the same.

Boscoe Wilhite: Yes, sir. Boscoe Wilhite, City-County Purchasing. I'm just here to answer any questions, if you had any.

President Kiefer: So, what are all of these batteries? I mean, like car batteries?

Boscoe Wilhite: They're car batteries, heavy equipment batteries, golf cart batteries, bus batteries, things like that.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Boscoe Wilhite: When we put it out for bid last year, brought it back in November, we got the approval from last year. According to the contract we could extend it for one year beyond the first one year contract. We brought it to Council, I asked them if they wanted to keep the pricing the same, they said they would.

President Kiefer: That sounds like a good deal.

Boscoe Wilhite: Yes.

President Kiefer: Any questions?

Commissioner Melcher: No. Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I'm glad we was able to maintain the rates. That's why I quickly made the motion. So, I'll second it.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next is the Emergency Management Agency sub-grant agreement with the Indiana Department of Homeland Emergency Management Agency. A sub-grant agreement with the Indiana Department of Homeland Security computer and personnel protection equipment.

Cliff Weaver: I know.

President Kiefer: It runs from October 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. The amount not to exceed \$8,478. Cliff, would you have anything to add?

Cliff Weaver: I'm Cliff Weaver, EMA Director. We are fortunate enough to qualify for a grant this year. This will definitely help us upgrade some equipment.

President Kiefer: Well, I think that's a great idea. Any questions?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: We have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Cliff Weaver: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Cliff, thanks a lot. Appreciate it. Next, County Assessor consulting agreement with Team Consulting, LLC for required continued educational training employees. The approximate cost of the agreement is \$6,000. Bill Fluty is here to address this.

Bill Fluty: County Assessor, Bill Fluty. Any questions? Kind of an explanation, is that what you're looking for?

President Kiefer: Yeah, I guess, what is this?

Bill Fluty: I have 23 employees that have obtained a Level III, 15 of them have a Level III and the other eight have a Level II. To keep this Level II and Level III they have to have 45 hours of continued education in a two year period. This allows us to bring in, when we want them in, actually in February, which was not a slow time, but it would be a little slower than some, and actually educate them across, over at the Centre, opposed to travel and travel expenses, and to actually pick the classes that we would like to have training on. We would also open it up for other members, assessing members all across Indiana to come in and pay a fee. So, we hope to recoup some money by charging them a fee to come in and take the class.

President Kiefer: Okay, that sounds good. So, is there any other questions? Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Hey, Bill, before you leave, how are you doing? I noticed you have a couple of positions open, you know, posted, are you having much luck interviewing people?

Bill Fluty: Yes. In fact, we just finished an interview not, at 4:00, or started at 4:00 and just finished an interview. So, we have three posted at the time, and we're just going through the process of looking at applicants. We might have ten to 12 people that have applied and we're kind of going through the process of looking at those. So, we should be making a decision on those late December-early January and filling those positions.

President Kiefer: Okay, good luck with that then.

Bill Fluty: Okay, thank you.

President Kiefer: Thanks.

Bill Fluty: Oh, and just the, I have the waiver for the fees down in the consent items. I wouldn't have to stay for that?

President Kiefer: No.

Bill Fluty: Okay, thank you.

President Kiefer: Thanks. Next, Health Department, Dr. Spear again. This is an MRC grant with the Indiana Department of Health to fund certain Medical Reserve Corps activities. It runs from, I'm assuming, I don't know when it runs from. It says 1/20/14 through June 30th—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, it says 7/1/14 through 6/30/15.

Ken Spear: Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, so, what's the date again?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: July 1 of this year, 2014 until 6/30/15.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: So, it's a year.

President Kiefer: Okay, and it's for \$5,000?

Ken Spear: Yes. This helps purchase equipment for emergency preparedness, and also assist with Emergency Management. It's a grant that we've had for a number of years. We're asking for—

President Kiefer: That sounds good. Are there any questions? Is there a motion?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, we have a first and second. Madelyn, please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next, we'll go on to the breastfeeding peer counselor contract with Regina Jackson. She's paid 90, nine dollars, she's paid nine dollars an hour, not 90, which will be paid by the WIC Grant funds.

Ken Spear: Yes, this is a minority peer counselor, which will be a great asset to the program, to increase breastfeeding rates among the minority populations. We'll have, I think, a significant impact on infant mortality and reduction of infant mortality. This could be a very valuable asset for our community.

President Kiefer: Okay, that sounds great. Any further questions? I'll ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Finally, 2015 STD grant agreement with the Indiana Department of Health. It starts January 1, 2015 and ends December 31, 2015. The grant is for \$100,000.

Ken Spear: This grant we've had for a number of years. It supports the investigators in the area of STD's to help eradicate and track contacts so that we can adequately treat and try to eliminate it in the area. It's a very valuable work in Vanderburgh County.

President Kiefer: Okay. Are there any questions?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Ken Spear: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Dr. Spear. Next is, we'll ask the County Engineer to come up. We have CSX purchase agreement for strip of county property at Nurrenbern and Red Bank Roads. This is .07 acres of right-of-way along Nurrenbern. Payment is \$325 and will be made to the county. I guess, do you want to remind everybody just basically what this is about? Obviously, CSX.

John Stoll: CSX was planning to do some railwork down on their rail line along Old Henderson Road. CSX representatives contacted me and Joe Harrison about purchasing a small strip of land from the county. It's a strip of land that bounded by CSX tracks, Nurrenbern Road and Red Bank Road. It's, the county has owned this lot since the 70's. I really have no idea why they own that lot, but it looks like it was

purchased in about 1975. It's got no planned use for the county. All they're doing is purchasing a small sliver off the back side of the property. So, it's not any useable ground for anything that the county plans to do. They gave two appraisals for that strip of land that they want to buy. That's where they came up with the dollar figure. Subject to you approving the purchase agreement, then they'll provide the actual deed documents and a check and we'll finalize this.

President Kiefer: Wow! I wish that the railroad companies were as easy to deal with as we are.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I might add, the appraisals cost them more than what they're paying.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Commissioner Melcher: I was going to throw that out too. Maybe we should have some kind of a trade off in the future in this, because every time a little strip of land costs money, it costs us \$50,000. Is there anymore of that land left? Or, is that the whole total?

John Stoll: No, that's just a small piece off the back of it. It's a wooded lot. The deeds from the 70's didn't really—

President Kiefer: Do we want to get rid of that? Maybe we should just say, hey, if you want that ground you've got to buy the whole thing.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, that's where I was going. You know, I don't know.

President Kiefer: Well, we can postpone this until next week and talk about it.

Commissioner Melcher: I'm just one. I'm just saying that—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I don't think it will do any good.

President Kiefer: How much land are we talking about here?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: We didn't even know we owned it until we looked at it, to be honest with you.

John Stoll: Do you remember the acreage, Joe?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Pardon me?

John Stoll: Do you remember what the acreage was? I don't have the purchase agreement.

President Kiefer: .7?

John Stoll: No, it wasn't even that much.

Madelyn Grayson: .07.

President Kiefer: .07?

Commissioner Abell: That's how much we're selling.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It was maybe one acre.

President Kiefer: I mean, it makes a whole lot of more sense if we're going to have to mow, you know, keep it up, maintain it.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It's wooded though.

John Stoll: It's wooded.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: There's nothing to mow.

John Stoll: There's nothing to maintain there.

President Kiefer: There's nothing to take care of?

Commissioner Abell: I don't think we've been keeping it up to this point, because we didn't even know we owned it.

President Kiefer: Well, I mean—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I don't think we knew we owned it.

President Kiefer: So, what's the pleasure of the Commission? Do you guys want to go ahead and pass this?

Commissioner Abell: Aww, sell it to them, and tell them to remember how nice we have been to them.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, just tell them they owe us one in the future.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: We'll remind them.

Commissioner Melcher: I'm serious, because every time we have road work and things it seems like it always costs us four times that money.

John Stoll: There's plenty of railroad crossings out there.

Commissioner Melcher: Right.

John Stoll: They could go work on to help us out.

Commissioner Melcher: And they do whatever they want to do. I know we need the railroads, so, I'm just saying, this could have been a two way street here. They could have bought the whole property for probably another \$200, and we wouldn't have had to worry about it.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, we'll go ahead and vote on this. Then, you know, we'll go from there.

Commissioner Abell: Do you need a motion?

President Kiefer: Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: I'll move to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll go ahead and second it.

President Kiefer: I mean, I'm okay with delaying it, if you would like.

Commissioner Melcher: No.

President Kiefer: Okay. We have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: They work too slow. We won't do this till March. Okay, I'll go ahead and vote for it.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Let's send them a copy of our minutes. I'll vote yes. I vote yes, so, it's approved, but send them a copy of our minutes please.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next is road access and crossing permit agreement. Roadway access and crossing permit. This is a 20 year agreement to give Republic Services a right to cross St. Joseph Avenue with oversized vehicles to go to and from its landfill operation. Republic Service will be responsible to install and maintain traffic and warning signals, appropriate lighting and signage at the intersection of St. Joseph and Meier Road, as well as maintaining specific insurance. Republic Services will be responsible for roadway cleaning and any roadway repairs as a result of damages by their oversized vehicles. The county will have the right to terminate this agreement with a 180 day written notice. This is something we've been talking about for probably over a year, at least. I think this is, this contract has been a good compromise, and I think us having the right to terminate the agreement helps us. Joe, would you like to, anything you want to expound on?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think Mike Schopmeyer might be here on behalf of Republic. I don't know if they want to mention anything at all. But, no, I think the agreement protects the county if there are some issues that come up down the road. The County Engineer, John Stoll, is out in the audience, but he's been involved with the language.

President Kiefer: Okay, yeah, I'm pretty familiar with it as well. Are there any questions for Mr. Schopmeyer from the Commissioners?

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Schopmeyer, I have a question. I'm also very familiar with it and I've met with you. Are they going to have public hearings or anything to let the people that live around there, I know there aren't very many, it's a county area, know when this is....I'm sure while there's construction going on some of these roads, that road is going to have to be closed temporarily, at least for a couple hours or so.

Mike Schopmeyer: Sure. Yeah, that can be done.

Commissioner Abell: I think it would be nice to do that for the residents.

Mike Schopmeyer: Sure.

President Kiefer: Okay, any other questions, comments? Anything from the public? Okay, in that case—

Commissioner Abell: Motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: We have a first and a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I was glad I was able to speak to everybody ahead of time, because it gave them a little bit more insight. So, I vote yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: So, so approved. Congratulations to Republic.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Next on the agenda, let's see, is department head reports. Are there any department head reports? John? I thought I remembered seeing an e-mail from John that there was a couple things.

John Stoll: The first item I have is a contract with United Consulting for the reconstruction of Baseline Road between Fenway Drive and Korff Road. This would be the first phase of some Baseline Road work that was planned for in the TIF district master plan for the U.S. 41 TIF District. The contract amount on this is \$255,600. It's been reviewed by the County Attorney, so, I would recommend approval of the agreement.

President Kiefer: Okay, are there any questions?

Commissioner Melcher: Move approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Then, next, I've got a construction inspection contract with the Lochmueller Group to oversee the Burkhardt and Virginia intersection project. The fee for this construction inspection is \$171,500, of that the county will be responsible for 20 percent, which is \$34,300. These costs will be paid out of the Burkhardt TIF.

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Next I've got a sidewalk waiver request for Green River Meadows Subdivision. This subdivision is a proposed subdivision located on the west side of Green River Road just south of Windham Hills Subdivision and just west of Wynnfield Subdivision. They are requesting a waiver of all sidewalks within the subdivision. The, when the discussion was held at the Plan Commission there were comments about several people wanted sidewalks, and the Evansville MPO also recommends that sidewalks not be waived. I'm recommending approval of the waiver just to avoid ADA issues in the future. So, that being said, I would request approval of the waiver.

President Kiefer: Discussion?

Commissioner Abell: Well, I'm always in favor of waiving them. I think that we just buy ourselves a lot of trouble when we don't. So, I'll move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll second.

President Kiefer: Okay, if there's no further discussion, I'll ask for a roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Next is also a sidewalk waiver request. This is for Fieldstone Subdivision. This subdivision is located on the east side of Oak Hill Road south of Millersburg and up close to Oak Hill School. Again, there were several comments at the Plan Commission hearing for this subdivision where there was opposition to sidewalk waiver. The Evansville MPO also expressed an opinion to have sidewalks. That all being said again, with the ADA issues that the county would potentially have to deal with, I would recommend approval of the waiver.

President Kiefer: Okay. Further discussion?

Commissioner Melcher: I make a motion to approve.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Abstain.

(Motion approved 2-0. Commission Kiefer abstained.)

John Stoll: The next item I have is something we previously discussed, which was the delay in the Burdette Park project. So, we'll open those bids next week. The next item I have is a change order on contract number VC14-07-01, concrete repair of Chastain Drive. We had an increase of \$5,723.20, and that was due to a small expansion in the limits of the concrete repairs. I would recommend approval of that.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: Then, next I have a street acceptance request for Jobe's Lane. Jobe's Lane has been considered to be a county maintained road for many, many years. The road inventory data we found shows it being considered county maintained dating back to 1977. However, we never could find any official record of acceptance, and INDOT's road inventory where they use the accepted road mileage to credit our gas tax revenues did not show all of Jobe's Lane as being a county maintained road. So, in order to provide documentation that Jobe's Lane is an accepted road, I brought an acceptance form for you to sign this evening, which would, that we could submit to INDOT and then all of Jobe's Lane up to the dead end would then be included on our road inventory, as far as INDOT was concerned. We already consider it our road, but INDOT did not. So, on that basis, I would request approval of the acceptance form on Jobe's Lane.

Commissioner Abell: What condition is it in?

John Stoll: Pardon?

Commissioner Abell: What condition is it in?

John Stoll: It's way too narrow, it's, there's a subdivision, you might remember it's been through the Commissioners the last few months, The Reserve at Hidden Lake. From there south it's passable for two way traffic, from there north it's just a little bit wider than a one lane road.

Commissioner Abell: So, if we accept it, are they going to be in here like in two months saying we want you to widen this road and resurface it and fix it up?

John Stoll: The county has resurfaced it in the past, and we did a grant project several years back where water and sewer was extended up there in the portion that INDOT didn't show on their inventory.

President Kiefer: So, for all intents and purposes it's already been treated as a county road?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: They just didn't know that it wasn't accepted.

John Stoll: We couldn't find any paperwork that showed that the Commissioners had accepted it from ages ago. So, this would give us the paperwork to submit to INDOT.

President Kiefer: Okay. There's probably no contractor to go back on to that? Okay, I'll ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Well, I always like your timid yes there on these road acceptances.

Commissioner Abell: I hate road acceptances.

President Kiefer: I'll vote yes, and we'll move on. It's approved.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: The last item I have is an agreement with CLS Industries. It's for \$2,500, and it's to do a profilograph test on Green River Road.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: A what test?

John Stoll: Profilograph.

President Kiefer: What's that?

John Stoll: It checks the pavement smoothness.

Commissioner Abell: Where on Green River Road?

John Stoll: This would be on the section where the patching was done last summer.

Commissioner Abell: Well, so what if it's wavy? We've already settled, I mean.

John Stoll: This is just a follow up to the certifications that were provided by the contractor who did the, all the repair work.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It will allow the county to have a baseline moving forward, so we can compare it against the next three or four years.

Commissioner Abell: For what purpose?

President Kiefer: Well, then we have a warranty.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: If there's repairs that have to be made, we have a warranty that will be in place. So, it will allow us—

Commissioner Abell: Is this part of that warranty? Is that what this is for?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes.

John Stoll: Like Joe said, it will give us a baseline condition for comparison purposes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It will—

Commissioner Abell: Who's paying for it?

John Stoll: The county.

Commissioner Abell: How much is it?

John Stoll: \$2,500.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Just \$2,500, but it gives us something in writing to have to compare against the future.

President Kiefer: Well, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Further discussion? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Let's hope that we don't have a bunch of variances in that smoothness of the road and we don't have to go back and everything runs smoothly to the future.

Commissioner Melcher: Right.

President Kiefer: Okay, if that's it, thank you very much, John.

John Stoll: Thanks.

Board Appointments

President Kiefer: Next we have board appointments. We would like to appoint to the Airport Authority, Rick Kaskel. Is there a motion to appoint Rick to the Airport...and this appointment is effective, I believe, July 1.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: He's been on there.

President Kiefer: Okay, so is this appointment for the next six months?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think it would be for the next two years, starting July 1 of this year. Essentially he's been a holdover. He was appointed before.

President Kiefer: Okay, that's what I was getting at. So, it's not retroactive, it's—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Is it one year or two?

Kristin Comer: July 1 to June 30th.

Madelyn Grayson: Of 2017.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Oh, okay.

President Kiefer: Okay, so, well good.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

President Kiefer: There's a motion. Is there a second?

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: All in favor say aye.

All Commissioners: Aye.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Now, what I would like to add on these board appointments, we really like to fill these board appointments in the prior year because they start, most of the time they start January 1. Now this one is a little bit of an oddity. We do have some additional boards that we have been unable to fill. So, if there's anybody that's interested in serving on a board, contact the County Commissioners office, because

I think we do have a few boards that need to be filled, and it's terribly difficult a lot of times to find good people to serve on these boards.

Commissioner Abell: Do we have that list up on our web page?

President Kiefer: Kristin?

Commissioner Abell: Is that list up on our web page?

Kristin Comer: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Of board appointments we have available? Okay.

President Kiefer: Okay, so you can check the Vanderburgh County Commissioners web page.

Commissioner Melcher: When they're up there listed does it say like some of them have to be a credit counselor, it has to be a business owner, it has to be a banker?

President Kiefer: Or a former homeless person?

Kristin Comer: No, we don't have that. That's part of the Granicus—

Commissioner Melcher: Because that would be, that would give them knowing what it's got to be, I mean, what the thing is going to be.

Kristin Comer: That's part of the Granicus—

Commissioner Melcher: Because we've got three positions open that we don't have anybody for. Okay.

President Kiefer: But, anyway, I just wanted to make that point, we work very hard to fill these boards with high quality people, and sometimes they're difficult to fill just because we have so many appointments to make. We like to do these prior to the end of the year, if possible, so they can be ready to serve January 1.

Commissioner Abell: We might check with the city, if they change their ordinance there's going to be a lot of people available for board appointments that have a lot of experience and would be a good one for us.

President Kiefer: Yeah, I would like to weigh in on that, if people don't mind. I mean, we do have these boards that are, a lot of these boards are county-wide, of course, the city makes their appointments and they want their appointments to be within the city, but yet it's still a county-wide board. So, you know, I'm sure they have their reasoning behind it, but, you know, there are a lot of good people in the County of Vanderburgh—

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

President Kiefer: — that can serve, and we hate to lose good people. So, any other comments? Okay.

New Business

President Kiefer: New business, is there any new business to discuss?

Commissioner Abell: Mr. President? I would like to bring before this Board next meeting, to move \$1,000 out of our Economic Development money and put it into the board for the minority and women owned business board that, the appointments we have, so we could send someone from that board to Indianapolis to learn how to assist women and minority businesses that are trying to become certified with the State. It's a very hard process, and I would like to give some credit to State Representative Gail Riecken, I met with her and she indicated that they would be willing to come down, they being the department that oversees this and meet with people from time to time, however, that might not coincide with when someone is trying to fill out those forms. We have no one here that's knowledgeable in filling those out. I would think \$1,000 would cover a motel room and the expense of getting to Indianapolis, and she said she would set that up.

President Kiefer: Well, it seems directly related to economic development. Those are small—

Commissioner Abell: It is definitely.

President Kiefer: — women and minority owned businesses. So, I think that's a good use of funds, you know, that we have set aside for economic development. Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: No, I agree with that, and that's also a board we're looking for somebody on.

President Kiefer: People from the audience, don't rush up, not all at one time.

Commissioner Abell: Maybe we can vote on this next week, we can get it on our agenda.

President Kiefer: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: So, let's add that to our agenda for next week. Okay—

Commissioner Melcher: Do we want to wait till next week?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: You could do it now.

Commissioner Melcher: Let's do it now.

Commissioner Abell: Can we do it now?

Commissioner Melcher: We don't know what next week, we might have a four hour meeting.

Joe Gries: President Kiefer? I'm sorry, I just wanted to check, as far as the money and where it's coming from and where it's being transferred to, just the mechanics of it, just so we know where—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It may have to just stay in the Economic Development Account, and that's where the money will be—

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: — whenever it's needed.

Joe Gries: It could be earmarked—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes.

Joe Gries: — maybe to be paid from that—

Commissioner Abell: That's fair.

Joe Gries: — just so we know where.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: But, I think maybe just have a motion that says we would like for \$1,000 out of the Economic Development Fund to be used for that purpose next year.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, I'll move that we earmark \$1,000 to be used next year for the economic development for small businesses to get some assistance filing their forms for the State.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll second.

President Kiefer: Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: That was a good idea, good thought to help economic development.

Old Business

President Kiefer: Is there any old business to discuss?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Is there any public comment? Yes, come forward. Mrs. Harp?

Susan Harp: Susan Harp, President of Oak Hill Neighborhood Association. I just wanted to come and report to you tonight that I'm sure you're aware of the new smart meters for the Water Department caused quite a stir. We helped stir the pot a little bit when thousands of people in my neighborhood got letters. It has affected my county residents also. I just wanted you guys to be aware of that. As I understand now, everything is kind of on hold, nobody's water is going to be shut off, but I do know, in fact, that several people along St. George Road did replace, have a plumber come in, \$1,580 worth of new pipes put in. Their pipes were corroded, but this was people on fixed income. These are the people that I've heard from. One of my most recent concerns was one that I heard from the **Glens** Neighborhood, which is right there past Lynch, right there where the Moto Mart is, a home that was built in 2009 also got one of these letters. So, we're keeping our ears open to find out why they would have received such a letter. I find that impossible to believe that their pipes would be corroded in five years, but, you know, I don't know the answer to that. We are keeping those under watch, so, I'm hoping you guys will also keep your ears open, because I'm sure if it's happened in the Oak Hill county neighborhood, that it's happened in others. So, thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Susan, we always enjoy having you here. Appreciate it. Okay, if there's no other public comment—

Consent Items

President Kiefer: – then we'll go to consent items.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the December 9th meeting are as follows; we have approval of the November 25, 2014 Commission meeting minutes; employment changes for the Commissioners approval, there's three for the County Highway and two for Burdette Park; the Commissioners have a waiver of Old National Events Plaza fees, not overtime, for the County Assessor for continuing ed hours courses for February 2nd through 6th, 2015; we have the Old Courthouse craft show report; the final and best notice for abutting owners for 1112 Oakley Street; Area Plan Commission has a request to surplus various computers and equipment and a 2001 Ford Taurus to Wolfe's Auto Auction; the County Sheriff has a request to surplus a 2005 Ford Crown Victoria patrol vehicle; the County Auditor has approval of the November 2014 A/P vouchers; the County Treasurer has the October 2014 monthly report; the County Soil Water and Conservation District has the November 2014 monthly report and the County Engineer has a department head report.

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

**Final Reading of Rezoning Ordinance VC-7-2014 As Amended
Petitioner: J.J. Brodi, LLC
Address: 4504 & 4510 Heckel Road
Request: Change from AG, R-3 & C-4 with UDC to C-4 with UDC
Action: Continued to 12/16/2014**

President Kiefer: Then, finally, the last thing on the agenda is the rezoning of which I'm going to ask Commissioner Abell to run the meeting from this point, as I have a conflict of interest I'm going to step out. Thank you.

Commissioner Melcher: Good bye.

Commissioner Abell: I'm going to stay here, but I'll run the meeting.

Janet Greenwell: I understand. Janet Greenwell with the Area Plan Commission. There's not a lot I can say. This is a rezoning for the property, 35 acres at 4504 and 4510 Heckel Road. It was a rezoning when Plan Commission heard it November 13th, it had no use and development commitment. It was going from AG, R-3 and C-4 with a use and development commitment to a blanket C-4 with no use and development commitment. The Plan Commission unanimously denied it with 12 negative votes. Since that time, under the provisions of the ordinance, the petitioner has filed a use and development commitment. I did, as a courtesy, send it out to all of our Plan Commission members received a copy of it the same day it was filed. I heard back from two of them, and they said they were okay with it. One acknowledged receipt of it, and one said that they were fine with it. I invited them to e-mail all of you if they had any comments pro or con. I don't have any idea, you know, we do this as a courtesy, we send it out so that our Plan Commission members know what's been done and are kept abreast of what's going on. So, there's really not a lot for me to say. It was unanimously denied without a use and development commitment. I will let Mr. DeLucio explain to you the use and development commitment. I did put it into the Power Point presentation so that the audience can read it.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. Mr. Harrison, do you need to swear in any witnesses? Would you like to go ahead?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: All those who wish to speak in connection with the rezoning petition, please raise your right hand. Do you swear, affirm the testimony you're about to give is true and accurate so help you God?

(All intended speakers raised their hands and said aye.)

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Thank you. Come on up.

Marco DeLucio: Good evening, Commissioners. My name is Marco DeLucio and I'm here this evening on behalf of the petitioner, J. J. Brodi, LLC. I'm going to probably, I've left on your desks this evening a little packet, just to help you follow along with my presentation this evening. Let me do this first, let me give you a little bit of the brief history of this property that you see there, both the property that's circled, that we're seeking to rezone tonight and the property immediately east of there. If you'll turn to tab one, you'll see the picture that Mrs. Greenwell had up on the screen a second ago, and immediately behind that is another site planned and that might be helpful in providing some instruction as to what's happening out there. You'll see, on the second page, along North Green River Road, there's an existing C-4 site, that property was rezoned C-4 in 1996, and, at the same time, their balance of the property was rezoned R-3. In 2002 there was another portion of the property, about 11 acres, that was zoned C-4, and you'll see that, that's immediately west of Vieth Lane, that was about 11 acres that was rezoned C-4 in 2002 with a use and development commitment. That left the balance of the property zoned R-3. There is some AG, and I believe the agricultural property is kind of to the north as you look at this drawing, kind of in the area north of the lake. You'll see that there's a rather large lake that encompasses maybe a third, 25 percent of this property. So, that's kind of the brief background of where we were up until the rezoning petition, this rezoning petition was filed in September and heard in November in front of the Plan Commission. As Ms. Greenwell indicated, this was a blanket C-4 rezoning, as it was it was going to replace and eliminate all of the use and development commitments that were there before. I believe, and I wasn't at the Plan Commission meeting when this was passed, but I believe that's the reason why the Plan Commission unanimously turned this down was the elimination of the use and development commitment with no offer of any further use and development commitment. That's kind of where I enter the picture immediately, shortly after that, the Plan Commission meeting, Mr. and Mrs. Johnston who are with me here this evening and are two of the co-owners of J.J. Brodi, LLC, came to see me to see what we might do in order to breath some life into this petition. It was fairly clear to me, and, I think, fairly clear to them following that meeting, because the neighbors raised the issue and the Plan Commission raised the issue, that we needed a use and development commitment. So, where we started on that was, I took a look at the use and development commitment that was agreed to and used back in 2002, and used that as kind of the base to move forward, and prepared a use and development commitment for this entire C-4 parcel that we're seeking to have rezoned tonight, based on that document. I sent that document, fortunately we were working with some fairly good people from the homeowners association at Keystone that were next door, primarily Mr. Ozete and Brad Mills, who many of you know is a former Plan Commission Director here, and I was working with them and I sent them a draft of that document shortly before Thanksgiving. We had scheduled, again thanks to Mr. Mills, a meeting with the homeowners association that was to be held on December the 1st. So, Mr. Brodi, Mr. and Mrs. Brodi and I met with the neighbors, the homeowners association on December the 1st and went through the proposed use and development commitment that we had circulated. We had some discussion, I want to say I've been doing this for about 30 years now, and I've been to many, many neighborhood association meetings on rezoning projects and this one was, I think everybody present spoke respectfully and it was professionally and thoughtfully, and we listened to comments that we heard from the neighbors and incorporated some, and I will tell you not all, of the changes that they wanted to see and put together a revised use and development commitment, which I again circulated to Mr. Mills and Mr. Ozete, I think on Tuesday. We had to have this filed with the County Auditor's office by Wednesday, so we circulated that on Tuesday so that it could take one last look at it. I believe there might have been an additional change after that, but

primarily that was it. I will say, at this point, too the communication with the neighbors, what we believed, and they can speak to this momentarily, but the communication that was given to the homeowners association was, I think, everything that we sent to them was posted on the HOA website, so that any neighbor that was interested could look and see the use and development commitment, the changes we had made and what we had ultimately filed. So, that's how the information was communicated. So, that kind of takes you through to where we are, and if you'll flip now to, again, tab two, the neighbors, at their meeting, you know, wanted to know what plans we had for this particular parcel. I will tell you what I told them, we've had some discussion with at least one prospective purchaser. We do not have a purchase agreement, we don't have an agreement, but the entity we have been speaking with would propose to develop a grocery store/pharmacy at the location you'll see on tab two, and that was kind of their proposed site layout. The store is about 40,000-41,000 square feet. I think, it was explained that, from a size standpoint, would be similar to one of the, to a Schnucks store, a little smaller than that probably, but that's kind of the size building that we were looking at. That's what we also presented to the neighbors as well. So, we explained to them that nothing is written in stone, but if everything would work out like we would hope it would work out that was one project there. So, that's why I've inserted that. If you want to flip now to the use and development commitment, which is behind tab three, and, I think, Ms. Greenwell is also putting it on the screen, I'll just briefly run through that and tell you that this is, I think, relatively similar to what was passed in 2002, but there is some more, there's probably some more particulars, and it's probably a little bit more restrictive. For example, I believe in the staff field report there were 57 uses prohibited in 2002, that's been increased to about 70 uses now which are prohibited. A lot of which we took from the neighbors that said, hey, would you add this in and would you add that in, which we agreed to do. Briefly, as you look at the use and development commitment, we, there was a small landscape buffer, we wanted to make clear, that was in 2002 along Heckel Road that had been there to provide some screening, we've elected to eliminate that screening, and I'll go into a little bit of detail on that in a minute. We've eliminated the screening that was there back in 2002 and I wanted to be clear to the Commission, as well as the neighbors, that we were going to do that. The reason for that is a lot of these, the development we foresee is going to probably occur along some frontage along Heckel Road and to put screening up there might be counter productive to commercial development. From the noise standpoint, we kept the language in there about being no louder than drive through windows at banks, but we also added some specificity to it by talking about 70 decibels as measured from the property line. That language was taken from the use and development commitment that was agreed to between, I believe it was agreed to between the homeowners association and the Convention and Visitors Bureau when they did their rezoning as well. For mechanical devices and dumpsters, in paragraph three, again, the language is substantially similar to what it was in 2002. However, we did say that if to the extent that there would be some dumpsters or some mechanical devices, other than on the north side of the building, that we would properly screen those. We also added some language that restricted trash pick ups in that area so it only occurred between 6:00 p.m, would be allowed, would not be allowed after 6:00 p.m. or before 8:00 a.m. so that hours that people were sleeping you probably wouldn't have that noise. Fencing is new, the fencing was added at the request of the Convention and Visitors Bureau. They requested a six foot privacy fence along the entire west side of the property, which we agreed to install when the development reached within 300 feet of the CVB property. I think with that the Convention and Visitors Bureau had expressed some concern with this rezoning, I think that they're in favor of this. I don't know if Mr. Schopmeyer is still here, but he indicated that he might speak in favor of it. Lighting, again similar to

what was there in 2002, except we again added some specificity to that with candles, the type of candles and the measurement of the lighting that wasn't there in 2002. Again, that language was pilfered from the use and development commitment that the Convention and Visitors Bureau entered into with the softball complex. I won't go through, unless you have any specific questions regarding the various uses that we have eliminated. Suffice it to say that the ones that were there in 2002 are still there, we've added some additional restrictions. There were a few modifications, I don't believe the neighbors have any objection to those, in fact, when we did this we changed them, they'll tell you in a minute I'm sure if they do, but we wanted to allow kind of sports bars and those kinds of things to be there, but we put time limitations on those, so it wouldn't be just a place that people were going to drink and staying out till all hours of the night. We had some restrictions on the sale of food too, to make sure that these places, in addition to serving alcohol, were also serving food, and primarily food. That would suffice for that description. Now, you're going to hear from the neighbors in a minute, and just to anticipate maybe some of the concerns they might raise, and address those, some of the things we couldn't do for them at this time. They asked for, and I'm not sure, again, a landscape buffer on Heckel Road. I've explained to why that would be problematic for the property owner. The other thing was that it has come up would be to agree to move back the buildings 300 feet from Heckel Road, that seemed to us to be impractical, in fact, the only entity we're talking to right now we've tried to convince them to do that as well, and they've declined that. They want to be at or near the roadway or the corner. So, that's something that we were not able to provide. Those are the primary things, I think, there may be some others, but those are the primary things that the homeowners association, the neighbors asked for that we weren't able to take care of. Finally, I'll conclude this by, Mr. Ozete when I was speaking to him last night, and, again, I wasn't at the Plan Commission meeting, I think he indicated that Mr. Johnston, at the end of the Plan Commission meeting, indicated to the Plan Commission that he would enter into an agreement with the neighbors and if he was unable to enter into an agreement with the neighbors that he would withdraw the petition. I think, our thought process on that, I think his thought process on that was there was an existing use and development commitment, if we put that agreement out there and modified it, tried to the greatest extent we could to reach agreement with the neighbors, that's what he was thinking when he said that. So, I would also say Mr. Johnston's not a public speaker, in the heat of the moment maybe said that, I wasn't there, but he indicated to me he did say that. We aren't here to withdraw it this evening, but we're here to try, we tried our best to put together a comprehensive agreement to address as many of the concerns as we possibly could, but we still want to develop this property commercially and move forward. We would ask for your support of that. We're here, I'm here to answer any questions. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston, as I indicated, would also be available if you have any particular questions of them. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. DeLucio? In looking at this, you mentioned the corner, you mean the corner of Vieth Lane and Heckel Road is where this will be?

Marco DeLucio: Yes, that's correct.

Commissioner Abell: Not down at Green River Road?

Marco DeLucio: No, it's not going to be at the corner of Green River, no.

Commissioner Abell: The property at Green River Road and Heckel, over to, going west to Vieth Lane, is already a C-4, correct?

Marco DeLucio: Yes, correct.

Commissioner Abell: So, any type commercial stuff that falls under C-4–

Marco DeLucio: Right.

Commissioner Abell: – could be put in there?

Marco DeLucio: The two, the parcels immediately fronting on Green River Road are C-4, and I don't believe those are subject to any use and development commitment.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, thank you. Mr. Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Nothing at this time. I'll wait to hear from the remonstrators.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, would someone else like to take the floor? Okay, Mr. Ozete?

Andy Ozete: Good evening, Commissioners. My name is Andy Ozete. I live at 5700 Creekstone Drive. I'm a resident of Keystone Subdivision. I do want to make it clear tonight that while I am an attorney, I am not empowered to speak for the homeowners association. I'm speaking only for myself. I would like to echo Mr. DeLucio's comments when he said that this has been a very civilized and well handled process between the developers and the neighborhood association. I know I've been before you in the past in saying this is a horrible idea, don't do this. I want to be clear that this, when, as when the CVB said we want to have the baseball stadium, or baseball fields and we want to have economic development, we want good progress for the city. The neighborhood worked with that developer to make sure that, yes, there could be development, but with some reasonable restrictions to try to preserve the character of the neighborhood. I want to be very clear also that Mr. DeLucio has come a long way from where we started, which was we want to be able to put a bar across the street. I don't think that's what ever Mr. Johnston intended. I really don't, but that was the, you know, sort of the attitude that was, appeared to be, and, again, I don't think was Mr. Johnston's intent, but that's what was before the Area Plan at that time. Where I think my greatest heartburn is, and if you look right at tab two of the agreement, or, excuse me, of Mr. DeLucio's proposal and they've made no bones about this and they've been open and honest about this. The issue is, they're putting a, originally the restriction was for 40,000 square feet, after the date that the UDC was filed they increased it to 45,000. So, it's a little bit less restrictive than it originally was. A 45,000 square foot facility right there on Heckel Road. If you'll look back when we saw, I believe it was the overhead picture, I believe that was tab one, as you can see this is not on Green River, this is on Vieth and this is directly across from people's houses. So, this is a very high traffic kind of store. This is every bit the size of a Schnucks. I have no idea what it is, but I went out and searched on the internet, 45,000 square feet, 40,000 square feet that's exactly the size of a Wal-Mart neighborhood market. That's a high traffic kind of facility. Now, I recognize that this is C-4 with a UDC today. I understand that. I understand that this project property will, in all likelihood, be developed with some type of commercial use. I'm not here to tell you today that there should never be commercial development of this parcel. That's not something we demanded of Mr. Brodi, that's something we went to the meeting with. I mean, of course there are people in the neighborhood who said, "no commercial", and I said, "it's going to happen". So, there was really a, trying to get a fundamental understanding of what is reasonable and appropriate. When we have this kind of big facility, and if you'll

take a look at that tract two, what they've done is proposed to face loading docks right facing the neighborhood. Right there very close to the neighborhood. So, while there are restrictions on trash times, but if we have a grocery store, there's going to be deliveries frankly at all hour of the night, all hour of the day, all hour of the morning, and those trucks when they back up are very loud. There's no getting around it. They have to have the back up beepers. They can't not have the back up beepers. So, it's going to be a very, very loud and intrusive type of situation right there at the corner. So, we did say to the developer, why not make, and you will also see right there on tab two, there's a road, there's an access of North Green River right there, and what we had asked was move this sort of key tenant parcel to the access right across from Green River and make the Green River Road access attractive to people going to this facility. Because right now that Green River Road access is not attractive to people going to that facility. Heckel would be the only real entrance that would be attractive to people going to that facility. So, that would greatly increase the traffic on Heckel Road right there. Move it up farther, put something that, you know, we're all familiar with the strip mall development concept, there's going to be a main tenant there, that's going to be the big traffic driver, and have something that drives less traffic. We've all been in front of the Schnucks, for example, complex on North Green River Road, lots of traffic, lots of cars right in front of Schnucks, you get to the end of that strip center, lots less traffic, lots less action. It seems to make sense to me, if we're going to have this development right across literally the street from people's houses, it makes more sense to put a buffer of lower density, lower traffic strip mall facilities on the south side and move this high traffic, high density facility a little farther north and be right across from the access off Green River Road. Their current proposed prospect doesn't want to do that. I will say that Mr. Johnston has been a good person to deal with. The buyer doesn't sound like a good person to deal with. Mr. Johnston is going to be gone, and I'm going to be left with the other person who wants to put a loading dock right across from a neighborhood, and who wants to have that kind of traffic right across from a neighborhood. That's not something I'm very enthusiastic about. So, we talked about, you know, I've got children, they're going to start driving soon, that's extra traffic on that road that's right to my house. So, I do have skin in the game. I don't like it. I don't like it one bit. Am I here today to tell you no commercial development? I am not. Am I here to tell you that they have been horrible to deal with? I am not. What I am here to say is, is that I don't believe, they have asked for relief from certain conditions in the prior UDC. They are minor, but they have asked for relief from them. I'm saying that's fine, let's make sure that we have an appropriate level of buffer there. I'm absolutely going to call on Mr. Brodi to do what he said he was going to do. He stood up and said I will withdraw it if there's no deal, and there is no deal. I will make a similar commitment, I will not ask for anything I haven't already asked for. I will not try to derail this process by asking for something I haven't asked for before. There was a meeting, people asked for certain things, we haven't come to an agreement on those things. He made a commitment, I'm going to ask him to live up with it, but I'll make a similar commitment that I won't do anything that we haven't already talked about. That's all I have for tonight, ladies and gentlemen. Thank you for your time. Do you have any questions?

Commissioner Abell: I have a question.

Andy Ozete: Yes, Ma'am?

Commissioner Abell: The entrance off of Heckel, and maybe you're not the person to answer this. In fact, maybe John Stoll, John, are you in the audience? Maybe John Stoll can answer this for me. The cut there on Heckel—

John Stoll: For Vieth Drive?

Commissioner Abell: No, to go into this place, it looks like there's going to be an entrance into it off of that, or is it only going to be off of Vieth Drive?

John Stoll: I have not seen any footprints for the development.

Commissioner Abell: I mean, it kind of looks like they've got an entrance and an exit off of Heckel Road.

John Stoll: Yes, I agree.

Commissioner Abell: Is that correct? Mr. DeLucio, do you know?

Marco DeLucio: If you'll look at this drawing that was submitted to us by the prospective purchaser, there are probably two access points off of Heckel Road. What I told the neighbors and what I'll tell you this evening is that this is conceptual only. Mr. Stoll hasn't seen it because no plan has been submitted. This is probably their dream, and my guess is when it gets to the Plan Commission and goes through the review process, you might see something different. The neighbors had asked us to show them something conceptual, and that's what we did show. I don't know whether or not at the end of the day whether the Plan Commission, whether the other governmental authorities that are involved are going to approve access on to Heckel Road. I just don't know.

Commissioner Abell: Well, if that were in fact an entrance, which is what I'm looking at, so, you would have traffic going in and out of Vieth and then not very far down you would have traffic going in and out of the facility, is that, from the way it looks to me.

Marco DeLucio: I don't disagree with that at all. I think, if you were asking me, and if the proposed developer of this site were asking me, I would say you're going to have some, there's going to be some concerns raised about that.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, I would think they should certainly be using Vieth Lane, because to have—

Marco DeLucio: There is some access off of Vieth Lane, if you'll see that that's probably the primary access. Those would probably be, the other one, I think that's not a loading dock near the south side of the property, as Mr. Ozete....we think that might be the pharmacy drive through, to be honest.

Commissioner Abell: Well, I was going to ask, what is all of the development behind the building or west of the building? What's that?

Marco DeLucio: It looks like the traffic that goes, the loading docks, I think, and, again, I don't have—

Commissioner Abell: Or, on the west side of the building?

Marco DeLucio: Would be maybe even on the north side of the building.

Commissioner Abell: Maybe even on the north side of the building?

Marco DeLucio: North and west. It looks, I don't know what that is along the north side, Commissioner Abell, but that could be a loading dock there. Again, I didn't submit this to be, you know, a stipulated site plan. This is just an idea of where the store might be situated on the property. As I stand here tonight, I don't know where the truck docks are going to be, and all of that would be, I guess, subject to approval by the development folks in the county.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. Well, I'm just concerned about people trying to get out on Heckel Road and make a left turn and a right turn, and then Vieth Road—

Marco DeLucio: My guess is that issue is going to come up during the approval process.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. Thank you. Thank you, John.

Commissioner Melcher: No, John, don't go away yet. What's our plan, I think I know what it is, can you tell us again what's our plan for that, Heckel Road going down that way?

John Stoll: It's going to be widened to three lanes. One lane each direction with a center left turn lane. We don't have anything incorporated in the county's plans to accommodate this particular site, because when the rezoning was submitted it didn't have any details. In similar circumstances we have asked the developer to contribute whatever modifications we would make to the county road plans. We've asked developers to contribute to the cost of the project. Like in this case, if there were two driveways put out there in the locations shown, I would think, at a minimum, you would have to put a continuous right turn lane along that frontage in order to get the people off the through lane.

Commissioner Melcher: That's where I was heading, because we've done this before. I think before I could even think about voting for this, we would have to know those answers. If they're going to put something in, they've got to have some skin in this game too. The county isn't going to sit back and pay the full brunt for all of the access, you know. So, to me, we need that shored down somehow. I want to know which way the docks are going to be facing myself. I wouldn't want to have a house across the street looking at a dock. Those are all could be in the use and development commitment. We do that all the time. We have screening in the use and development too. I'm just telling you where I'm at.

John Stoll: I was going to say, like what was said, we would be looking for the truck paths into any development, whether it matches this footprint or something else. So, that's definitely going to be a concern.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, that's what I'm going to need to know.

Commissioner Abell: Well, I'm not a planner, but I would think the very best way to develop this property from all sides is to have an entrance into this developed area from Green River Road, which is already shown on this document, because you're going....we already know both sides of that are C-4 and you're going to have more development there. If you have more development there, and then this development and everybody wants a road, we're going to have nothing but a bunch of people sitting around trying to make left hand turns into places, and, you know, we're never going to get traffic off of Green River Road. But, if we had one way in and then frontage roads that move people around inside the developed area, that would, in

my opinion, be...get them off the road first and then let them go to where they want to go to, instead of trying to get to each particular place. That's where my concern is, is the traffic.

John Stoll: One thing, in regard to traffic that I would like to clarify too, in regard to the county's Heckel Road plans, there is a decel lane that goes, for the right turns on to Vieth, we will be lengthening that somewhat in conjunction with our plans, but that is just, it's only at that location. We're not adding any new ones anywhere else. So, we're not making any other traffic accommodations.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, I think for this to go forward we have to have a commitment on that, because the county, we don't have enough money now. So, we can't take on more burden.

Marco DeLucio: Commissioner Melcher, if I may, I think those issues, it's very difficult for us to make any kind of a commitment, because we honestly don't know what's going to go in there. Eventually the property will be subdivided, and it will have to go through the subdivision process, and at that time the county will look at the roads, they'll look at the drainage, they'll look at the traffic impact, and the issues at that point, I think, will be addressed as to where the traffic is going to enter and exit from, what's going to be required of the developer at that point, as far as road improvements, to handle whatever traffic is going to go in there. That's the time, I think, that the county will have the control over the situation is when they go in for the subdivision approval and when they go in to get their building permits.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, you know, that sounds good, but that don't always happen right. You know, I've seen, I've been here a long time, gone through a lot of zonings, and I've seen it go every which way they could go, you know, and I think we need to lock down some of this stuff. Maybe we do it in a special use and development that there be no loading docks facing, you know, the apartments, or, excuse me, the homes across the street. So, I think we ought to lock all of that in. I think you've still got a little ways to go yet.

Andy Ozete: Thank you, that was, and I will commit to work with Mr. DeLucio. I cannot commit on behalf of the homeowners association, but I can certainly commit on behalf of myself.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, is there anybody here to speak for the homeowners?

Andy Ozete: Yes, there are. I just, I'm sort of a lawyer kind of guy, so, I tend to get up first. I apologize.

Commissioner Melcher: I know there's a neighborhood President, and I was going to get her up here too.

Cynthia Turner: The President can't be here today. The President is Brad Mills. I'm Cynthia Turner. I live at 5600 High Tower Drive. I'm the Secretary. The Vice President is also here. We did meet with them and went over the UDC, and thought they had some ways to go too. The road was a concern. We would like to see the buffer, which they clearly took out. The landscape buffer to maintain the character of the neighborhood. We want it to be some kind of landscaping in there, and they absolutely took that out. It says here, "deleted in entirety". The loading docks with the noise was a huge concern for our residents, even though there's only 11 houses immediately accessed to that property, that beep, beep, beep, you know, when a

semi is backing up you can hear that a long ways away. So, they did limit trash pick up times, but deliveries for a grocery store are going to be 24/7, especially at this time of year. You know, this time of year any kind of utility store like that is going to get multiple, multiple deliveries, and it's around the clock. So, that was a huge concern. The other part of the UDC that we asked them to add in too was in the restrictions of uses in group 8, hotel/motels. I mean, again, to maintain this as a neighborhood kind of convenience area, retail area, we didn't think that that needed to be in there either. Pretty much the other things they did meet us, at least half way, but those things they did not. They didn't agree to flip the store so that the homeowners were not at, or have access to, or see the loading docks, and they weren't going to put a buffer there. Now, a landscape buffer would at least help with the noise, and so you didn't have to see it. So, but otherwise, we thought we still had some work to do on this UDC.

Commissioner Melcher: Oh, I do too.

Cynthia Turner: That's where the homeowners, residents and association stand.

Commissioner Melcher: I sit on the Area Plan for the Commissioners, but lately I've had to miss some meetings, or I would have brought this up. We do have, our ordinance does say that they have to have, they can bring it to ours.

Cynthia Turner: Right.

Commissioner Melcher: As long as it's stricter than what was there.

Cynthia Turner: Because the one that's in place right now—

Commissioner Melcher: So, everything is still legal.

Cynthia Turner: —is in place for 30 years, correct? The one that was filed in 2002? It's binding?

Commissioner Melcher: Well, I don't know about that.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I don't know.

Commissioner Melcher: I don't know that answer.

Cynthia Turner: Okay. I thought that that's what it was.

Commissioner Melcher: But, I know it's there.

Cynthia Turner: Yeah, and it was filed in 2002, and they didn't like throw out a bunch of stuff, but they haven't met us quite where we want to be with this kind of...with the neighborhoods around, you know, we've got Oak Hill, we've got Keystone, we've got some really nice neighborhoods and we don't want it to decrease the character of our neighborhoods.

Commissioner Melcher: I agree with you.

Cynthia Turner: So, any other questions? Thank you for your time.

Commissioner Abell: Is there anyone else who would like to address us? Come forward.

Deb Kuykendall: Hi, my name is Deb Kuykendall. I'm a resident in Keystone, 4030 Marshfield Drive. Thank you very much for your concerns and acknowledgment of Heckel. We understand there's a plan to improve upon it, and it probably will take until the end of 2016. I just wanted to relate, their plan moving from an R-3 to a C-4, I think most everyone, including myself, feels that that is a good idea to move away from an apartment option to a commercial option, and we recognize it will be in support of the softball fields. In addition there's now about 40 homes being built west of the softball fields. As far as a county code, I was looking at three in particular, one that talks about authorized truck routes, and on 10.24 it specifically says that Green River Road, north of Theater Drive and Oak Hill, north of Pigeon Creek are not authorized truck routes. You can make local deliveries on these routes, but you must take the most direct route. So, in other words you must go down Morgan or 57, if this becomes a commercial area. I just wanted you to kind of think about how that would play out if a large grocery store goes here that might need replenished almost on a daily basis, and a disposal maybe every other day. The traffic, that right now is prohibited as a truck route, will see a higher volume. Vehicle noise restrictions is 10.40 on the county code at 85 and 90. I was glad to see that they put on the use and development a limit of 70, and that included other amplified source, or sound source, which would include the backing up of a truck. There's been a study from the Environmental Health Prospective that shows that that beeping sound reaches 97 to 112 decibels. So, being able to back up a semi truck and meet the UDC might be a slight conflict. The last one was something you've already touched on with John is the 12.12 driveways, that anyone that wishes to open a driveway entrance into an existing county road needs to have a traffic access, or assessment before getting that approval. So, again, I want to thank you for your concern. I want you to think about just applying the logistics of supplying this commercial environment, if we include a large store. On the impact of Green River Road or Oak Hill or other surrounding connecting roads. That was my comment.

Commissioner Melcher: When it goes to site review, they will answer all those questions on the roads, because a 12 won't get it. It's going to take a 24, because that's what the commercials are. It's 24' on a commercial.

Deb Kuykendall: Oh, I was citing the county code item, on ability to drive a semi trailer down Green River Road. Right now that's prohibited unless you are making a local delivery. If a grocery store does go in there, which would, you know, benefit the neighborhood, but it also has to think about the logistics of supply of goods and the removal of disposal. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Someone else? Mrs. Harp?

Commissioner Melcher: I was just getting ready to call your name, because I referred to you a while ago, and I seen you bouncing back there.

Susan Harp: Susan Harp, President of Oak Hill Neighborhood Association. I was notified about this, although this is actually closer to Green River, I am the nearest official neighborhood association. We have Blue Grass Neighborhood which organized, they've not quite got their act together yet, but they have a convenience store on their corner there. It will impact the Oak Hill traffic, I'm sure, as she was mentioning with trucks, but I'm assuming that they will work that out and not allow those trucks, because we don't want to have to be making improvements to Oak Hill

Road in the county, repaving. They have come a long way, when I first heard about this I was informed that they were doing away with the use and development, but they promised it wouldn't be a strip club. That was not from the owners, that was from the attorney. I think she just wasn't quite familiar with what a use and development really was. So, as a neighborhood person and also as Regional Vice-President for the Eastside Neighborhoods, which does include that area, I just want you to, I'm very pleased of where they are. I do agree that it could be tweaked just a little bit more in order to protect the integrity of those neighbors. I also had concerns about protecting the integrity of the soccer fields. I'm glad we have representation here for them tonight also, because they did express concern. So, thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you, Susan. Is there someone else that would like to address this Board?

Andy Ozete: I told people don't repeat themselves, Madam Commissioner.

Commissioner Abell: Anyone else? Mr. DeLucio? Oh, I'm sorry. Mr. Buck, did you want to speak?

Dan Buck: My name is Dan Buck. I'm a developer. I do a lot of developing along Oak Hill Road. About ten to 12 years ago, Susan probably can attest to this, I've developed all four corners of Oak Hill and Lynch Road. Ten to 12 years ago they had a study done on how to widen Oak Hill Road. They brought this study, the plans to the neighborhoods at Vogel School. I attended this format, and at the time they planned on putting in a four lane road, which I got up and voiced my opinion against that, because I felt that a four lane road would allow people to speed. I put the presentation in front of them to allow for a three lane road, which calls the middle lane a suicide lane, sorry for that, but also having bike paths on both sides of the road. That's how Lynch, that's how Oak Hill Road was approved from Lynch to 41, is that correct? I think that in the county's best interest, as they look forward to Heckel Road, that they also need to look at this same type of design, because I'm sure Oak Hill Road is going to get developed from Lynch all the way out past Oak Hill School. You have soccer fields, and you have now softball fields coming, and you're going to have a lot of kids, adults wanting to ride their bicycles out there. I just hope that in the future the County Commissioners, even though, I want to acknowledge also your service tonight, and thank you for that. We butted heads a lot.

Commissioner Melcher: But, you knew where you stood.

Dan Buck: Exactly. Exactly.

Commissioner Melcher: I think that's what people want. They don't want somebody wishy washy.

Dan Buck: Right.

Commissioner Melcher: They want somebody like Marsha that will tell them the truth.

Dan Buck: I hope tonight is the last night I have to stand up this year in front of the Board, whether it's County Commissioners or Drainage, but I want to thank you for your service. But, anyway, Heckel Road, think about that, you're going to have all

this soccer and baseball going on out there. I think you need to add bike paths along the road too.

Commissioner Melcher: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you, Mr. Buck. Is there someone else? Mr. DeLucio?

Marco DeLucio: Just a couple of quick comments and I think, Commissioner Melcher, you hit the nail on the head when you said that, you know, with respect to roads and how access was going to be done, those will be addressed at site review. It's been my experience that the site review process is pretty stringent and makes developers do things to keep traffic, to improve traffic some times in the area. I would point out, I think, Ms. Kuykendall pointed out that Heckel Road is going to be widened, as I understand it, what I read in the use and development commitment, I don't know if that's accurate or not that perhaps that contract may be let as soon as next year, at the end of next year. You know, that would probably coincide with any development, we don't even have a purchase agreement for this property. So, even if we got it rezoned tonight, we have the hard work to do of getting a purchase agreement signed and all of the things that are necessary to close a transaction, probably wouldn't even close it until the third quarter of this year, and, you know, the construction process is going to take a long time. So, you know, even if everything works perfectly, chances are that store won't be open before those improvements start on Heckel Road. The other thing I would point out again, Ms. Kuykendall pointed it out, that the property, I mean, there's portions of that property that are already zoned C-4. There can be activity that goes on on those properties, not the whole 35 acres, I'll give you that, but the use and development commitment that is there is not as stringent as the one we've offered this evening. Finally, Ms. Kuykendall pointed out that the property, and we've understood this, I haven't, you guys have probably seen more of this than I have because you're here on a weekly basis or bi-weekly basis, but one of the things I believe that the neighborhood has always tried to, didn't want was apartments. The property that we're seeking to rezone tonight from R-3 to C-4 would prohibit apartments out there and allow for a commercial development. So, I think, that in and of itself goes a long way to addressing some of the concerns, eliminates at least apartments going in out there. I'm not sure I followed, I know that the neighbors asked for restrictions on hotels out there, from my standpoint, as I think of hotels, I think those are probably pretty low impact as far as traffic and noise. They're always fairly quiet. People go there to sleep. So, that's one of the reasons why we didn't eliminate that from that. We didn't feel, we thought that that might be least impactful of any commercial use out there is having hotels and motels. So, as we stand here tonight, we would respectfully again request the approval of the rezoning, and will continue to work with the neighbors to try to make this development as pleasing as possible for everybody concerned. Thank you.

Commissioner Melcher: I can't really vote in favor of this tonight. I think I've made my motions already said. I would like to see a little bit more work between the neighborhood association and your side to see about how we could iron this out. I've learned a long time ago you've got to get it all done now, because once you pass it, you can't go back. We have to be very, as far as county leaders here, we have to be very careful what Heckel Road is going to turn in to. We don't have a lot of money, so, like you said, we're getting ready to redo it, I don't want it all chopped up neither. So, we have to watch out every direction on this one. I am grateful that it's not going to be apartments. I think that's a favor here. I think you know me enough I'm going to be fair however this is going to come out, but I couldn't support it tonight

without a little bit more take. If you want to have some meetings and invite me to them, I'll go. You know, I'm not against that. I just don't want docks facing homes, front doors anyway.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. DeLucio? I can call for the vote and we can vote tonight, but, as you know, it takes two, and we're sitting here with only two Commissioners. If both Commissioners do not vote in favor, it is denied. If it is denied, it's one year before you can come back. So, I just want to—

Commissioner Melcher: That's why I was trying to say—

Marco DeLucio: So, if it's a split vote, it's deemed denied?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Marco DeLucio: Is that correct?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: You always have to have two votes.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, that's why I wanted to bring that to your attention. You might want to talk to Mr. Johnston as to whether or not you want us to call this to a vote tonight.

Commissioner Melcher: I was going to ask for a delay, even a week, if that's what it takes, just to...I'm not promising for a week from now neither, I'm just saying—

Marco DeLucio: I understand that.

Commissioner Melcher: — if we're ready to go and I can be there, I'll try to be there. I know one of us will probably try to be there.

Marco DeLucio: Okay.

Jim Johnston: I was one of them that was sworn in. I'm Jim Johnston.

Commissioner Abell: Certainly, Mr. Johnston, come on forward.

Jim Johnston: I'm a "J" in the J. J. Brodi. I've been called Mr. Brodi a few times tonight, even by my own attorney.

Marco DeLucio: I'm sorry, Mr. Brodi.

Commissioner Abell: You should write him a check and sign it by Brodi. See how far he gets with it. You do need to give us your name, sir.

Jim Johnston: Jim Johnston. I live in Marathon, Florida. We made some mistakes, and I made some mistakes in this dealing. I've been through this process enough that I should have known better. I would like to blame it on the attorney, I can't. The one thing that I've really tried to tell the neighborhood is, you guys, when they approved the baseball park there was a zoning for the Houchen's store on the corner and for 300 apartments down there on Kinney's property. The neighbors didn't want the Houchen's supermarket there on that corner. They absolutely did not want 300 units of apartments to go there, because they're going to pack so many in there that it's going to be subsidized and it's going to be a real problem for the area. That's

what we don't want to do. We don't want to have to sell that ground to people that are going to develop apartments, because that guy that got turned down down the street he would come down here, and could build those 300 units on that property. It's zoned, it's got everything ready to go. If we don't have a choice, that's what's going to happen. I don't want to see that happen. I don't think the neighborhood wants to see that happen. I don't think the county wants to see that happen. That's my thought, is that, we're trying to do a good thing here. We've really tried to accommodate the neighbors. We're getting pushed, as we sold the ground to the baseball park, they pushed us around, they got everything they wanted. They stand up and they say take it or leave it, this is the deal. So, we get pushed by everybody. The neighbors are pushing us, the customer is pushing us, we have no place to go. So, I'm going to ask for some more time. If there's any way, if there's any way that we can budge the customer, we've been trying real hard to say, move it down, get it away from the neighborhood. We can't get them to do it. So, we're between a rock and a hard place, but I've got a really good attorney, and I'm going to ask for a postponement. We'll come back in a week, see if we can, if we can push the customer or come to an agreement with the neighbors.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Johnston, I think that's an excellent idea. I actually did meet with the residents of Keystone some time back regarding the apartments, and I would be willing and happy to meet with any of you, and I know Mr. Melcher would. I would certainly rather see us come back in seven days than stick ourselves with another year. That might be the way it would turn out.

Jim Johnston: Thanks so much, but I think that there may be more support from the neighborhood than we're seeing at this meeting. With the apartment zoning, I think people would prefer the commercial. Like I said, we restricted it, nothing is going to be bigger than 45,000 square feet. That's about all I can say.

Commissioner Abell: Well, from a Commissioner's standpoint, we certainly like seeing commercial development out there, because it funnels into our TIF, which allows us to widen Heckel Road, add more sewage for people who need it, really improve the area with money we cannot, we cannot do that with property taxes. Residential property doesn't pay into a TIF, where as only commercial pays into the TIF. So, this is a way for us to get money into one fund that we can use to improve that area. So, certainly, from our standpoint as a Board of Commissioners, we're happy to see commercial development go out there. From the neighbors standpoint, I think they would be happy to see something go out there if they felt that it was conducive, and, you know, a walkable type neighborhood, run across the street and go to the grocery. I think probably the concern about motels and hotels is, I wouldn't want to be sitting over there in Keystone and look out my window and see a 16 story building, but if you had a motel that looked like, you know, two stories and it was, you know, I mean, there are a lot of things that work. There a lot of ways things can be worked out. It's just that you can't read each others mind, and you don't know what going to come down the road, and I think the issue here is the "what ifs". I think if we can close a few of the "what ifs" in this next week, we might be able to have an affirmative vote next week.

Jim Johnston: Thanks so much for your time. I really do appreciate it.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you, Mr. Johnston.

Commissioner Melcher: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I make a motion that we hold it till next meeting.

Commissioner Abell: I will second that. Madelyn?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Commissioner Abell: Thank you, everyone. We appreciate your patience. Kristin, would you ask Mr. Kiefer to come back into the room?

Commissioner Melcher: Marco, will you get a hold of me?

Andy Ozete: Mr. Melcher, I would be happy to participate in whatever it is you all do.

Commissioner Melcher: Do you have my number? You should. Everybody else in town does.

Marco DeLucio: Thank you very much.

Commissioner Abell: All of us can be located through the County Commissioners office if any of you need anything. We'll wait a few minutes if everyone needs a little time to clear the room. Although, you're certainly can stick around for the Drainage Board meeting, if you have absolutely nothing else to do this evening.

President Kiefer: I would like to have a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the November 25, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.
Waiver of ONEP Fee/Not OT: County Assessor Continuing Ed: 2/2-2/6/15.
Kraftwerks OCH Craft Show Financial Report.
Final and Best Notice for Abutting Owners: 1112 Oakley Street.
SWCD: November 2014 Monthly Report.

Employment Changes:

Burdette Park (2)	County Highway (3)	County Clerk (2)
Prosecutor (2)		

Area Plan Commission:

Surplus Requests (2): Various Computers/Equipment & 2001 Ford Taurus.

Sheriff: Surplus 2005 Crown Victoria.

County Auditor: Approval of November 2014 A/P Vouchers.

County Treasurer: October 2014 Monthly Report.

County Engineer: Department Head Report.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Joe Gries	Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer
Madelyn Grayson	John Stoll	Deidra Conner
Joe Langerak	Ken Spear	Susan Plassmeier
Boscoe Wilhite	Cliff Weaver	Bill Fluty
Mike Schopmeyer	Susan Harp	Janet Greenwell
Marco DeLucio	Andy Ozete	Cynthia Turner
Deb Kuykendall	Dan Buck	Jim Johnston
Zach Bouchie	Kaylen Meeks	Chris Alexander
Allie Rollins	Taylor Humphrey	Others Unidentified
Members of Media		

**VANDERBURGH COUNTY
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Stephen Melcher, Member

(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)

**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 16, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 16th day of December, 2014 at 5:10 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good evening. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners for December 16, 2014.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: I would like to ask for attendance please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Melcher: Before we get started with the Pledge of Allegiance, I would like to make a couple, I would like to make a comment please. Tonight we're going to start doing an invocation, and we're going to do this at the County Commissioners meeting to the future. This is going to be open to people of all faiths, it's not restricted to any one religion. So, we decided we wanted to do this, and what we're going to do is say the Pledge of Allegiance, and while you're standing, I would like to ask, after the Pledge of Allegiance, I would like to ask Commissioner Melcher to lead us in this first invocation. With that, we'll stand for the Pledge.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

Reading of Invocation

Commissioner Melcher: Giving honor to the Most High God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Let not your heart be troubled. You're a believer in God, therefore also I will love Thee, oh Lord, with my strength. The Lord is our rock and our fortress and our deliverer. My God, my strength in whom I will trust. I will call upon the Lord who is worthy to be praised, so shall I be saved from my enemies. With this, in Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

All: Amen.

President Kiefer: Thank you very much.

**Permission to Open Bids: VC14-12-01
Burdette Park Campground Expansion: Phase 1**

President Kiefer: We would like to ask permission to open bids for VC14-12-01. This is for the Burdette Park campground expansion, phase one. Is there a motion to grant permission to open bids?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Discussion of Board Appointees Residency Status

Commissioner Abell: Mr. President?

President Kiefer: Yes?

Commissioner Abell: If you would indulge me to move an item on the agenda please. City Councilman, I asked City Councilman, Missy Mosby to attend our meeting tonight. She has another commitment, she has to leave. We have some concerns about some actions of the City Council last night, and Councilman Mosby has been gracious to say that she would come. If you would allow her the floor, I would appreciate it.

President Kiefer: I sure would. So, while Joe is opening up these bids, we'll come back to those bids later. We would like to ask Councilwoman Mosby to make a few remarks. Thank you for being here tonight.

Missy Mosby: Thank you. Missy Mosby, Second Ward City Council. I was speaking with Commissioner Abell today about what transpired last night and the ordinance that was passed. She had said, you know, hey, if you have anyone, great qualifications that might be looking for some board appointments, let us know. Well, last night we had Dr. Henry come in front of us and she's on the Animal Control Board. You know, she's a veterinarian, she works for the All Pet Emergency Center. So, I was going through and working with the Mayor's office and the City Clerk's office to see what we could do to possibly keep, you know, someone with that talent on this board. I found out that all seven appointments to this board is made by the

Mayor. So, basically, there will now not be any representation for the county on a board that is both city and county funded. So, I just, you know, it concerns me that we're going to lose a lot of talent, you know, on these boards.

President Kiefer: Well, let me ask our legal counsel a question. Joe, since we have a board that we fund, can the County Commission request some board appointments on that board? I know it's usually a part of the contract when we have a contract. The contract stipulates we're allowed board appointments, but in this case, we're funding a department and it may not be in the contract that we're allowed board appointments. Is there anything we can do to get board appointments on to this?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I'm going to have to look at the ordinance. How many members are on the board?

Missy Mosby: Presently there are seven members and they all serve at the pleasure of the Mayor.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: They're all appointed by the Mayor?

Missy Mosby: Yes, and, you know, last night the ordinance was passed that anyone—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Right.

Missy Mosby: — any board appointed by the Mayor or City Council must live within the city limits. Well, that means there will be two positions, that presently they live in the county, that will no longer be able to serve.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Do you know if that, if the ordinance that created that board is in the State Animal Control statute?

Missy Mosby: I have been researching that, but I'll be honest, I haven't gotten to look into it as much as I would like to.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Okay.

Missy Mosby: With this being the last meeting of the year and it happening last night.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Sure.

Missy Mosby: Just, you know, trying to figure out what we can do to help keep some of that talent on that board.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Sure.

Missy Mosby: Then, also looking at some others, you know, that you might have some openings as well.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: But, in that the jurisdiction of the Animal Control is city and county—

Missy Mosby: Yes.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: – you know, I'm sure that there's something that can be looked at to have some county appointments as well, if that's something that the city is interested in pursuing as well.

President Kiefer: Perhaps we can ask you to–

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Oh, I'll research it, sure.

President Kiefer: – look into this, and then maybe if it makes sense, that we could amend some of our agreements to allow for Commissioners to make appointments–

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Sure.

President Kiefer: – to some of these. You know, of course, the Mayor is in the audience tonight. Welcome, Mayor of Evansville, appreciate you being here. Perhaps we can work with him, you know, and the city on getting some appointments on some of these boards and have the Commissioners, and perhaps County Council making appointments.

Commissioner Abell: You know, it goes back a long time and it was just kind of a gentleman's agreement that there would be some representation. We've never had a Mayor who didn't put county representation on that board for us. I'm like Councilwoman Mosby, I'm a pet lover, and, so I kind of kept up with that. That gentleman's agreement won't mean anything now, because now the Mayor won't have the authority to put that county person on there. When we in the county have an issue, then we don't have anyone to call on a board, that we either appoint or help fund, that will be, I mean, they might be responsive to us just because they want to be, but they don't have to be, that's for sure. So, I think we do need to look into these boards where we've got appointments, and certainly, I did ask her for the list of people they were going to not use anymore, because we've got some openings and we can certainly use some of that talent. So, I think, we need to continue to work on this and find out what we can do, because I hate to see us lose that person on Animal Control.

Missy Mosby: Exactly. In working with the Mayor's office and the City Clerk's office, right now that is the only joint funded board that we could find that you would be losing representation on.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, Councilwoman Mosby, thank you so much.

Missy Mosby: Thank you.

Commissioner Melcher: I want to add a couple things too. What I want to add is, I thought we were already trying to do some of this in looking at these boards and these re-appointments. I think that this was done many, many moons ago, and some of these boards, you know, have come a long way from when they were started. So, there maybe ought to be a joint, some maybe, one of us and the Mayor's office and the City Council, County Council sit down and go through each one of these and find out how we can make them better for our community. Also, even check the funding, like if we're 30 and they're 70, or 50-50, let's make sure all of that is correct too. Because a lot of this has changed. I agree, you know, we all live in this community and we all have to work, I think, you know, the Water Board, that's another one. Now, that's not City Council, that's not Commissioners, but I think the county ought to have some appointed, a person on that board also, you know, because we're all,

we all live in this community together. It's one melting pot here. I didn't understand the ordinance, but, as far as I know we're not going to pass one of them. So, basically, what I want us to do is work together. I've already told some people when they called me, I said, if we could switch out, you know, like if we've got some people in the city we could switch out with these boards. That way we could keep continuity going, but we're also looking for new talent too. So, we could get some new people that want to come in and work on some of these boards, let's do that.

Missy Mosby: I agree with you, Commissioner Melcher. You know, like you said, we are Evansville and we are all here because we love our community. You know, I just appreciate the opportunity to work with all of you. Commissioner Abell, you have done many great things for Evansville, and you will be greatly missed. So, thank you for your service.

(Applause)

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you. There's a couple other things that I would like to go over. I'm sorry I'm going to deviate from the agenda again, and, Missy, please hang around for a few minutes, if you don't mind.

Introduction of Teen Advisory Council Job Shadow

President Kiefer: First, I forgot to introduce Sophie. She's a teen advisor, and she's a student at Mater Dei and a Sophomore. If you would like to come up and say hello to the audience.

Sophie Rohleder: Hi, I'm Sophie Rohleder from Mater Dei.

President Kiefer: Okay, Sophie Rohleder. Thank you so much. It's always enjoyable having the Teen Advisory group here, because it's an opportunity for us to learn from them, but they also learn from us as well, I hope.

Recognition of Burdette Park Manager: Steve Craig

President Kiefer: The other thing is, is we have two people here tonight that have been long standing servants of our community. I want to recognize each of these individuals. Before we recognize Commissioner Abell, first I would like to recognize Steve Craig. Steve has been with the county, I guess, since 1968, or something like that, Steve?

Steve Craig: (Inaudible. Not at microphone.)

President Kiefer: Yeah, so, he's been with the county for a few years. Steve, if you would come up here for a few moments, I would like to present something to you that the Commissioners and the Commissioners office pitched in some money to present this to you. We have a plaque and it says:

"In appreciation and recognition of Steven Craig for dedicated service,
loyalty and friendship to Vanderburgh County, 1978–

President Kiefer: It was '68, wasn't it?

Steve Craig: Yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, we'll have to get that—

Steve Craig: '78 was when I started full time and never left again.

President Kiefer: Oh, okay.

Steve Craig: '68 I was a lifeguard.

President Kiefer: Okay, well, then we are correct. I was sweating bullets there for a minute.

“-2014, and Burdette Park Manager from '97-2014.”

President Kiefer: But, if we could give Steve a round of applause, I would appreciate it.

(Applause)

Steve Craig: Thank you very much.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Steve.

Commissioner Melcher: Thank you for your service. Congratulations.

President Kiefer: If anybody here would like to say any remarks or comments about Steve for his great service.

Commissioner Abell: You mean that we can say in public?

President Kiefer: But, anyway, seriously, Steve, thank you so much for your service.

Introduction of Jacob Murphy: Incoming Burdette Park Manager

President Kiefer: While you're here, I thought maybe, I would like to introduce our new Park Manager of Burdette Park. The gentleman, I told Steve earlier, nobody can take his place, but, because, you know, those are big shoes to fill, but we have a fine, young gentleman by the name of Jacob Murphy. Jacob, if you would stand up and wave to the crowd.

(Applause)

President Kiefer: Jacob hails from the Louisville Parks System, where he lived in Louisville and graduated from Bellermino University. Jacob, we're looking forward to a long tenure here with us as Steve did. Thanks for being here tonight.

Recognition of Commissioner Marsha Abell

President Kiefer: Well, next, I would like to present to Marsha, for her years of service, as some of you may know, Marsha served on the City Clerk's position, where she got to learn the ins and outs of city government, for four years, I believe. I'm sure that was a lot of fun. Then she moved on and worked as a County Clerk for

eight years. She worked as County Councilwoman for four years, and has been with the Commissioners for four years. Earlier today, when I was interviewed by the media and they asked me about Marsha, and I say this with sincerity, there was nobody I knew in local government that knew government better than Marsha. I mean, she was very knowledgeable, having served in both city and county government, and she understood State laws and understood what was going on and was always very helpful to me personally when I started as a Commissioner. Marsha, thank you for your service and thank you for your kindness to me when I came on as a County Commissioner. I'm sure Commissioner Melcher would like to make a few comments as well.

Commissioner Melcher: We'll be here all night. Basically, Marsha and I really got to know each other back in 1991. She ran for City Clerk and I ran for City Council, and I think we were both told we were going to lose. I was going to lose because I had a big attorney running against me, and she was going to lose because there was a Democrat army behind the other one. But, Marsha did a great job. She got out, she knocked on doors and won. I remember the first caucus that we had as Democrats, the very first one with Frank McDonald, we walked in and he said, Marsha Abell won City Clerk and that's the last time we're going to say it here today. We have to work with her, and be sure to work with her and don't complain to me about her. So, we've got to move on. I took that sincerity with Councilmembers too. I decided at that time, well, it's not just Marsha, it's the other side. So, my career has been working across the aisle doing that. I will, since we both came in at the same time, Gail Riecken was President the first year and I was, my first year coming in, they made me Vice President, and I was President for three years while Marsha was Clerk. She's the best Clerk that I know we've had, City Clerk. She was really good. Every time I would call her she would take care of it. If I would get a hold of her Chief Deputy and she would give me some kind of a problem, I would call her back and I could hear her hollering at her before the phone hung up. You know, I would hear her say her first name, and I would say, oh no, I didn't mean to get her in trouble. But, things happened, and we've did a lot together, she helped me get the meetings down where we could move faster. We checked with the State and we didn't have to have as many meetings and everything that we could do. We were able to have first and second reading and not go through the hearing of second reading, like we were doing the first year. So, we was able to put that on a consent agenda. That's something nobody really understood until Marsha and I did it. I wouldn't have done it without Marsha's help. So, I think that's where she slimmed and got a lot of our records down. She did everything she had, I think some of the problems were, if I remember right, the cemeteries. There was a lot of problems in the cemeteries, and Marsha's a crusader for our community. She's truly going to be missed. Truly going to be missed, because she asks the hard questions. She'll even give you the answers you don't want to hear, but I know she's telling you the way she feels. That reminded me one time when I was with Shively, and he was talking to somebody and they were saying something about me, and he said, well, if you're going to have a zoning and you're going to come in front of the City Council, you'd better call up Melcher and just ask him what his problems are. If you can solve his problems it will probably pass. So, that's kind of where I think Marsha and I are both cut from the same cloth. I really believe that she's the hardest worker that I know, and I know that she's made me a better Commissioner, because when I first got on I was kind of looking....Lloyd got on at the same time with me, and we became friends. Sometimes you thought we were of the same party. Well, right now people tell us that Marsha and I are the same party. So, I guess I'm always going to have that. So, they don't say it about us, Joe. But, they did Lloyd and I and Marsha and I. But, Marsha—

President Kiefer: Well, maybe I better–

Commissioner Melcher: – you're a good friend of mine. Like I said, I could go on all night talking about everything...playing golf and everything, going to conventions, but, you know what I'm talking about, from the bottom of my heart I love you, and we're going to miss you.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you. Thank you, Steve.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

(Applause)

President Kiefer: Well, Marsha, I know there's some people here in the audience that are here tonight because they wanted to bid you farewell on your last night. I don't know if anybody wants to make a comment. Mayor, you're here, I mean, I don't know if you want to make a comment. You don't have to, but if you want to, feel free to. I mean, since you served as a County Commissioner with Marsha.

Lloyd Winnecke: I'll live by the two minute rule. Everyone's got business to...I would just, I did just come across the hall to kind of bid Marsha farewell in her public service. I will just say this, Marsha Abell has always committed her life to public service for the right reason. For the absolute right reason.

(Applause)

Lloyd Winnecke: Whether they were the most difficult issues or the easiest, her heart always in the right place. So, Marsha, a dear friend and you will be missed.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you, Mayor.

(Applause)

President Kiefer: Anybody else? Joe, anybody else?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, I just want to say, Marsha, it's been a real pleasure to have worked with you over the last several years, and I'm deeply grateful for your faith in my work, and I appreciate the opportunity to have worked with you and served with you over the years.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Thank you.

(Applause)

Commissioner Abell: Mr. President, these people want to get on with business.

President Kiefer: Yeah, I know. Before, we're going to conclude here. I'm going to read a proclamation, it says:

“In recognition of 20 years of elected public service to Vanderburgh County, Whereas, Marsha Abell was elected Evansville City Clerk in 1991, and served in office from ‘92 to ‘95; and, Whereas, she served for eight years as the Clerk of Vanderburgh Circuit Court from ‘96 to 2003; and, Whereas, Marsha was elected to Vanderburgh County Council from 2004 to 2008, serving as President of County Council 2007-2008; and, Whereas, the citizens of Vanderburgh County elected Marsha to the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners, representing District Two in 2010, where she served as President in 2012 and 2013—“

President Kiefer: And, thank you for that, because that President’s job is not easy.

“– and, Whereas, County Commissioner, Marsha Abell, implemented an in-house employee health and wellness center at no cost to the county employees; and, Whereas, she has served actively on several boards, including; Drainage Board, Solid Waste Board, Growth Alliance of Greater Evansville Board, Economic Development Coalition of Southwest Indiana, the Information Technology Advisory Committee, the Old Courthouse Foundation Board, and the Public Defender Board; and, Whereas, Marsha Abell has passionately and diligently served the citizens of Vanderburgh County as an elected public official for 20 years, Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, the Board of Commissioners of Vanderburgh County do hereby thank and commend Commissioner Abell for her dedicated public service to the citizens of this community. Dated this 16th day of December, 2014. Board of Commissioners, Vanderburgh County, Indiana; Joe Kiefer, President; Stephen R. Melcher, Member; and Joe Gries, Vanderburgh County Auditor.”

President Kiefer: Thank you, Marsha.

(Applause)

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Oh, Marsha, here’s a card too.

Commissioner Abell: Does it have money in it?

President Kiefer: Yeah. Again, I apologize for the delay, but this is important that we recognize somebody of, you know, Steve Craig and Commissioner Abell’s giving of their time and energy to the county.

<p>Permission to Advertise Bids for the Old Courthouse Third Floor Corridor Restoration</p>
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President Kiefer: Okay, we’ll finally move on with action items. Under Commissioners, permission to advertise bids for the Old Courthouse third floor corridor restoration. Is there a motion to approve this to move ahead with the Old Courthouse?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, we have a first and a second. Is there any other discussion?
Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

<p>First/Final Reading of Ordinance CO.12-14-009: Amendment to Burdette Park Ordinance</p>

President Kiefer: Next, this is going to be a first and final reading, and we'll have to have a unanimous vote on this, first and final reading of CO.12-14-009, amendment to Burdette Park ordinance increasing the number of County Commissioner appointments on the Burdette Park Advisory Committee from three to five. Is there a motion to waive the second reading?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, motion to approve on first and final reading to increase the number of County Commissioner appointments on Burdette Park Advisory Committee from three to five. Is there a motion?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there any further discussion? Okay, in that case, I'll ask for a roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

<p>First/Final Reading of Ordinance CO.12-14-010: Amending Ch. 2.90.270: Group Health Insurance for Retired Employees</p>
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President Kiefer: Next is a first and final reading of CO.12-14-010, amending section 2.90.270 of the Vanderburgh County code regarding group health insurance for retired employees. Just like the last one, I will ask for a motion to waive the second reading. Is there a motion?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve on first and final reading?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Discussion? Questions? Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you.

<p>Second/Final Reading of Ordinance CO.12-14-007: 2015 Commissioner Meeting Dates</p>

President Kiefer: Next is a second and final reading of CO.12-14-007, 2015 Commissioner meeting dates. Is there a motion to approve second and final reading of , wait a second, is there a motion to approve the second and final reading for the meeting dates?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Before I vote, is this also going to include Solid Waste? Was that incorporated in with our, that they're going to be the first Monday, or is that going to be separate?

Commissioner Melcher: Well, they've always met when we have.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

Commissioner Melcher: So, they would be included.

President Kiefer: Do we vote on Solid Waste? Or, don't they—

Commissioner Abell: Well, I just wondered if we were including them in our Commissioners meeting dates.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Drainage Board is on here—

President Kiefer: Solid Waste will be—

Commissioner Abell: The first Tuesday–

President Kiefer: – the first meeting of–

Commissioner Abell: – they only meet once a month.

President Kiefer: Yeah, they'll be the first meeting of each month. So, you can amend–

Commissioner Melcher: Well, at our last meeting, they said they were going to go, I think we decided to go with whichever way the Commissioners went.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, Solid Waste did, I just wondered if we needed to incorporate it with ours too? I don't know.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Why don't we do this, because theirs is joint, you know how it's–

Commissioner Abell: City-county, right.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: – with joint appointments and all of that? I don't think we've ever done it.

Kristin Comer: We just give them the dates.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: We just give them the dates?

Kristin Comer: Yes, provide them with that information.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Okay, probably at the first meeting of the year, what they ought to do is certainly indicate this is when the meetings will be throughout the year.

President Kiefer: Yeah, okay.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

President Kiefer: So, the motion and the second will stand?

Commissioner Abell: Yeah.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

**Second/Final Reading of Ordinance CO.12-14-008:
Amending Health Department Fees**

President Kiefer: Okay, next we have a second and final reading for the Health Department fee ordinance amendment. This is CO.12-14-008. I see Dr. Spear is here, if there's any questions, but first I would like to ask for the motion for the final reading of this ordinance. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So approved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay. Discussion? Dr. Spear, any questions? Okay, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Area Plan Commission: Printer/Scanner Quote Acceptance

President Kiefer: Okay, moving right along, Area Plan, permission to accept low quote for a Cannon printer/scanner. Is Ron London here? Area Plan Director. Ron, come on up.

Ron London: Good evening. After roughly 12 years, our scanner has finally given out. So, we need to replace it. What I've done is received four quotes, and we do have a low quote of \$5,800 from Maco Evansville Blue. We would ask to be able to purchase that scanner/plotter.

President Kiefer: My understanding is you met with our CIO, Mark Uhrin, and this appears to be something that's necessary and needed, and it's already been—

Ron London: Well, what we're going to do is, I had \$3,000 put back for a few computers that we needed, but this is an emergency. We need to have the scanner, because not only our department uses it, but also the Records Office and a few other departments. So, we're going to use \$3,000 out of our funds, \$2,800 from the Recorder's Office—

President Kiefer: Their Perpetual Fund?

Ron London: —to be able to purchase the scanner. So, we're trying to work together on this. Several departments are pitching in.

President Kiefer: I know it's necessary. Is there a motion?

Commissioner Abell: Good cooperation.

President Kiefer: Yeah, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Can I ask one thing?

President Kiefer: Sure.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: There were four quotes, can you just tell us who else you received the other three quotes from?

Ron London: I received a quote from Alpha Laser Imaging, Van Ausdall and Farrar, and also Commonwealth Technologies where all four of them are local companies.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: And the low one, Maco, you said was \$5,800?

Ron London: \$5,800, yes.

President Kiefer: Okay, so, there is a motion, and there is a second. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

**APC: Lochmueller Group Agreement for Comprehensive Plan
Teamsters Collective Bargaining Agreement for 2015-2017
Superior Court: Home Verification Officer Agreements (3)
Health Dept: Clinical Affiliation Agreement with USI
CIO: Joint City-County Agreement with Alpha Laser
2015 ARC of Evansville Grant Agreement
Wessler Engineering Agreement: Regional Sewer District Study
2015 (Jan-June) METS Elderly & Handicap Transportation Agreement**

President Kiefer: Ron, are you, you've got some other stuff here. Contracts, agreements and leases.

Ron London: Yes.

President Kiefer: Area Plan consulting agreement with Lochmueller Group for the comprehensive plan.

Ron London: Yes, we brought this before you a couple of weeks ago.

President Kiefer: Right.

Ron London: And we did get the funds moved to be able to get our comprehensive plan updated. This is just the contract agreement with the Lochmueller Group to get that done.

President Kiefer: Okay, yeah, this is for \$38,580.

Ron London: Yes.

President Kiefer: I would like to ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Ron London: Alright, thank you.

President Kiefer: See, Ron, you're getting off easy tonight.

Ron London: Hey, I like it. Thank you. Thank you, Marsha, for everything you've done.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

Ron London: So, I appreciate it.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Next is the county union employees collective bargaining agreement with Teamsters Local 215. This is regarding the county employees who work at the County Highway Garage, Burdette Park, Old National Events Plaza, the Superintendent of County Buildings Department and Weights and Measures. It

starts January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017. It's the same agreement as the last three years, except the county union employees are no longer on the county's group health insurance plan. The county's contribution to the local union scholarship educational fund will increase from two dollars per week per county union employee to \$2.50 per week per county union employee. Are there any discussion items?

Commissioner Melcher: No, remember how much money we saved by switching the insurance?

President Kiefer: Yeah, it was considerable. Well, I just wanted to make sure if there was any conversation, questions, discussion points? If not, I'll ask for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, any further questions? If none, roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next is the Vanderburgh Superior Court home verification officer agreements with Deputies John Helfrich, Dion Wingerter and Troy Hardin. These are one year agreements. They run from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. Deputies will be paid \$32.64 per hour. Funding for the contracts will come from Byrne Grant and from court budgeted funds. Is the Sheriff here? Sheriff, do you want to say anything about this? This is, these are, this is like a contract employment? They don't, in addition to the \$32.64 is there other—

Dave Wedding: Basically, they're being paid at an overtime rate from the courts, but it's an annual contract. They've done it for several years now. So, it's nothing new.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: And, they're off duty when they're doing this.

Dave Wedding: Yeah, they're not working for us directly.

President Kiefer: Okay. Are there questions? Okay, Sheriff, I just thought in case, I didn't know if this was like a contract like did they get, but what you're saying is they get overtime?

Dave Wedding: Yeah, they usually get paid at an overtime rate to work the job.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

Dave Wedding: The funding source is through the courts.

President Kiefer: Okay, the funding source is through the courts. Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you, Sheriff.

Dave Wedding: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Health Department, clinical education and internship educational agreement with USI College of Nursing. I believe this is a one year internship program for the USI College of Nursing Health Professions? I believe we've done this several years now?

Ken Spear: We've done this for a number of years. It allows them to come in to the Health Department for their public health education. We have a similar agreement with the U of E School of Nursing. It's very beneficial for us and for them. I would recommend approval. It's a good contract.

President Kiefer: Okay. Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Abell: So moved.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

Ken Spear: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Thank you. Next, the Chief Information Officer, joint city-county master agreement with Alpha Laser and Imaging for multi-function devices. Mark Uhrin is here to tell us about this.

Mark Uhrin: Thank you, Mr. President. I'm asking approval for the joint city-county master agreement for multi-function devices; printer/copier/scanner and fax machine. This would be, as I said, a master agreement that will be in place for four years. It replaces the current Xerox master agreement, which will, which expires on the county side in July. So, as of July we'll be moving some of the machines that were acquired under that contract and replacing them with machines under this contract. The machines will provide a savings, a significant savings to the individual departments as they get put in place. We also have some technology that will increase security and reduce our printing costs. So, we're looking forward to this advance in technology.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. You stated this runs, this agreement runs for 48 months.

Mark Uhrin: Correct.

President Kiefer: Right. Are there questions or concerns? Is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you, Mark.

Mark Uhrin: Thank you.

President Kiefer: Next is, under Commissioners, we have an ARC of Evansville 2015 grant agreement. It runs January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. The grant amount is \$215,000. Are there questions, comments?

Commissioner Melcher: Move for approval.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Okay, next is an agreement with Wessler Engineering for engineering consulting services. This is a 160 day study of the feasibility of creating a regional sewer district, which could possibly include portions of Posey County in connection with sewer needs relating to future economic development and residential development in western and northern Vanderburgh County. The cost of this agreement shall not exceed a sum of \$100,000, to be paid from the Commissioners economic development line item. I would like to make a few comments about this. There's a lot of areas, as I said, in northern and western Vanderburgh County that are not served with sewer service. So, we're interested in just studying the feasibility or possibility of having a sewer district. It's not to say that we will do it, but it's important for us to at least study this. Posey County, obviously, is interested in this. They are seeking out some funds to see if they can join in on the study. If they do that, then they'll probably hire Wessler as well to continue this study more in Posey County, and look at a possibility of a sewer district that would serve both Posey and Warrick Counties, I mean, Posey and Vanderburgh Counties. So, this is critical for us, because if we're going to grow new residential developments, or grow new businesses in our area, especially with University Parkway and the University of Southern Indiana, the possibility of a Tech Park, or some other type of location, having sewer availability is somewhat critical. I know, Commissioner Abell, you've done a lot of work on this, as Commissioner Melcher knows about this as well. Any comments or questions, or anything else?

Commissioner Abell: Mr. President? I think one of the things that's important to note here, and in working on this with Wessler, and I would say that I did speak with a Wessler representative this afternoon, she had a death in the family and could not be here tonight, but this was actually brought up to me by one of the Commissioners from Posey County. We have many residents that live in the county, that built their homes in the 50's and are on septic systems. As things have occurred, and laws

have been changed, these people aren't sitting on two and a half acres. They're sitting on less than an acre. Now they've got a house with a septic system that's going out, and they can't get anybody to put a new septic system in because the septic people come out and say, well, you can't put a septic system in because the county ordinance says you have to be sitting on two acres, and you're not sitting on two acres. So, you know, we're not going to do it, because we don't want to get in trouble with the Area Plan Commission. So, we now have people that have failing systems that are continuing to use them because there's nothing they can do. We've got them boxed in. They can't buy more land because there's a house on each side of them, and they can't find anybody to replace their septic systems. So, we have to think ahead how we're going to create a solution to a problem that is going to do nothing but grow, as these houses age and these septic systems age. So, it isn't just commercial, of course, the reason we want the commercial is to put the money in the TIF, that's where we get the money to continue to put the sewer line in. So, you know, it's the chicken and egg thing. We've almost got to do this to be able to get to the point that we can help the residents. So, I don't think that there's, I don't see any way that we could avoid looking at this as the future for Vanderburgh County, and a serious issue that we've got to address.

President Kiefer: Additionally, I would say that if we want to get the University Parkway built all the way to I-64, we need to have money in the TIF in order to afford to pay for the road construction. The way we do that is by having some development that pays taxes into that TIF district, and, of course, sewer is a necessity. But, anyway, this is a long way from being a reality.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, yeah.

President Kiefer: This is just the initial phase of studying it. We think that it's a good move to at least study it. It's worth the money to study it for economic development purposes. Commissioner Melcher, any comments?

Commissioner Melcher: No, I want to thank Marsha for taking the lead on this, two years ago, or whenever she started. This is something we really need down the Parkway. We've had questions from time to time of how are we going to get the city out there that far. That's a ton of money also. So, with this, we could solve a couple of things, as you know, Posey is growing, because they are going to have a couple of big plants over there, and we could kind of tie all of this into together. We already own the lift station at USI. So, I think that's something that would be helpful. So, Marsha, thanks again, this is one of your programs that you started, and I think this was a great deal. Thank you.

President Kiefer: Okay, so, did we get a motion?

Commissioner Abell: I'll move for approval.

President Kiefer: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: I see Brian is out in the audience. Brian, we're looking forward to you getting started on this study. Next is a 2015 elderly and handicap transportation services agreement. This is a six month agreement. As you know, we have transportation services into the county, and it's provided through METS, and we have to have a contract with the city to do this, provide this service. This contract here calls for the county to pay a sum of \$175,000 for such services. The charge for the county riders for a one way trip will increase from five dollars to \$15. Before everybody gets alarmed about that, that's much of their money that they pay for that service is reimbursed through the federal government, and we're actually spending more money than it actually costs to deliver the service. So, we need to raise the rate in order to just be able to provide this service.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, help me out again. Say it a little slower.

President Kiefer: Okay. Obviously, we have a highly increased ridership—

Commissioner Melcher: I understand that.

President Kiefer: — for county residents using this handicap and elderly service. Right now the cost is not exceeding, or the cost is far exceeding what we're receiving back from the ridership. So, five dollars doesn't nearly cover the cost of this.

Commissioner Melcher: So, we're going to increase it to \$15?

President Kiefer: \$15, because our understanding is that this money, and Joe Harrison could address this, is money is reimbursable, this \$15 is reimbursable.

Commissioner Melcher: To who?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: What happens is—

Commissioner Melcher: Reimbursable to who?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, what happens is METS bills the federal government for the riders. The riders don't come on and pay five dollars. The METS bills the federal government, or the State, for the individuals who have this service. They don't get the money. They don't have the money.

President Kiefer: Yeah, the money doesn't come from the riders.

Commissioner Melcher: No, I understand that.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: So, I think—

Commissioner Melcher: That's where I'm trying to get—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: I think they get about \$7,000 a year, and they're only spending like \$3,000 or \$2,000, or something like that.

Commissioner Melcher: So, what, in fact, the rider is not paying anything?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: No, it's the government. They're not paying...now, there might be, they said five percent, seven percent might pay something when they get on, but it's all paperwork by METS sending it in to the federal government or the State government to get reimbursed for that five dollar fee that's out there now. The fee that's been charged to county people, county residents who use the service, has not gone up in ten years. It's always been the same. It's the same as a city rider. Whereas they may be going out to Armstrong Township and picking somebody up and taking them somewhere, they're paying the same rate as someone that might live right across the street from METS.

President Kiefer: The bottom line is, the federal government allows us to be reimbursed for the cost—

Commissioner Melcher: I understand all of that.

President Kiefer: — and we have to (Inaudible.).

Commissioner Melcher: I just want to make sure the taxpayer is not getting hit three times, twice as high. So, this is just to get the reimbursement?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Yes. Yeah, they're not paying anything. This is the reimbursement that...for their fee, for their fee. The riders do not actually pay any money when they get on the bus.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, I think in the future—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Or get on the van.

Commissioner Melcher: — I guess, I've had these answers before, but this is a little different. Whenever we have something like this that deals with METS, somebody from METS ought to be here at this meeting. So, I would have felt more comfortable if somebody from METS was here, because sometimes METS has figures that are really high—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Right.

Commissioner Melcher: — and we have challenged that in the past and found out we were correct.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Well, I can tell you the figures that we were given were higher than this. This is a lower number that we've put in here.

Commissioner Melcher: Oh, I can believe that.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: But, the thing is to start that fee January 1, sufficient notice needs to be out yet this year.

Commissioner Melcher: Alright.

President Kiefer: I think the other thing too is, we went almost a whole year without an agreement last year with the city. So, we purposely delayed getting that agreement last year, because we knew we weren't getting credit for the amount of money that they were actually being reimbursed for. So, I'm going to commend Joe, you did a good job getting that worked out to make sure the city was actually crediting us appropriately. So, okay, I don't even know, did we have a motion on this?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Not yet.

President Kiefer: Okay. Is there a motion?

Commissioner Abell: Move for approval.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Any further questions? Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Thank you both Commissioner Melcher and Commissioner Abell and Joe Harrison, because this was complicated to understand. I know I didn't understand it, you know, until everybody started asking a lot of questions.

County Engineer

President Kiefer: Next, department head reports. I see, John, do you have a report to make?

John Stoll: I have two items this evening. The first is a construction inspection agreement with CHA Consulting. This is for the construction inspection on the Maryland Street Bridge rehab project. The agreement amount is \$230,000. I've had the County Attorney review it, he was okay with the changes that had been made. I would recommend approval of the agreement.

President Kiefer: Okay. Any questions? Commissioner?

Commissioner Melcher: No.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion?

Commissioner Melcher: Motion to approve it.

President Kiefer: I'll second it. Roll call please.

Commissioner Abell: I'm back.

President Kiefer: Okay, can you briefly explain this again?

Commissioner Abell: I'm okay. He sent me an e-mail.

President Kiefer: Okay. Thank you.

John Stoll: The project will probably go to construction some time in the spring. I don't have an exact date as of yet, but it will start in the spring and be done, I believe it was by the fall.

President Kiefer: Okay. Do you want to do the roll call?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I'll say yes, and just keep the e-mails coming.

John Stoll: Will do.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: I'll vote yes, and thank you, John.

John Stoll: Sure.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Next item is also an agreement with CHA Consulting, this is on the Burkhardt-Virginia project. This is, the agreement amount is \$19,000, and this covers pavement cores that were done for the pavement design, it covers right-of-way staking for the utilities that have been relocated out there. It covered the preparation of the Rule 5 erosion control plan, and it will also provide for the review of the shop drawings during the construction of the project. Again, the contract has been reviewed by the County Attorney, all the changes that I had asked for have been made as well. So, I would recommend approval.

President Kiefer: This is another good example of TIF money. Here we're doing these improvements at probably one of the busiest intersections in the City of Evansville, Burkhardt and Virginia Streets, and I think if we hadn't had this TIF money, I don't think the city could have afforded to do this. So, but, anyway, it's a great project, and I'll ask for a motion to approve this work.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

John Stoll: That's all I have. Thanks.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Burdette Park

President Kiefer: Steve, do you have anything?

Steve Craig: The bids for the park.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Do you want me to read them?

President Kiefer: Pardon?

Commissioner Melcher: The bids.

President Kiefer: Oh, yeah, that's right. You're here for the bids. I didn't know if you had any other department head report, other than the bids.

Steve Craig: No, the only project that we're on right now is the expansion of the campground.

President Kiefer: Okay. So, Joe, if you could read those.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Sure. There were five bids that were submitted on the Burdette Park campground expansion, phase one. The first bid was from Koberstein Contracting, that bid amount is \$261,609. Two sixty one, six oh nine. The second bid was from O'Risky Excavating, that bid amount is \$283,988. The third bid is from Deig Brothers Lumber and Construction, that bid amount is \$294,628. The fourth bid is from Blankenberger Brothers, Inc., that bid amount, \$249,850. The final bid, the fifth bid is from Peyronnin Construction, for the sum of \$366,546. I was asked, I would ask that these bids be taken under advisement and reviewed.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

President Kiefer: Steve, great, I'm excited about the project. You know, thanks for your—

Steve Craig: Last meeting. Oh, I would like to put something in. I know that you did put two places on the Burdette Park Advisory Board, and I would be eligible to be on that, if you would want me to serve. You know, I know it's something you guys would need to talk about.

President Kiefer: See, some guys can't quit. They just want to keep sticking with it.

Steve Craig: I just want to keep my eye on my investment.

President Kiefer: Steve, I'm sure we'll be glad to have you on there. Thank you again for your years of service.

Commissioner Abell: That would be a good appointment.

Commissioner Melcher: Check with the new guy.

President Kiefer: Yeah.

New Business

President Kiefer: Okay, let's see, is there any new business?

Commissioner Abell: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes?

Commissioner Abell: I don't know where we can go with this tonight, and this may be something that has to hold over until next year, but maybe Mr. Harrison can advise us. Jacob's Village is in the county, and it's a wonderful facility that takes care of some of the less fortunate of our residents. They certainly could use some assistance, and we do, just tonight we approved \$215,000 to go to Evansville ARC, which is also, obviously, a fine institution that needs assistance, but I would like to

see us take \$5,000 out of our money that we use to do these type things, and give it to the Jacob's Village to assist them with their expenses.

President Kiefer: Can we, Joe, can we do that, and then do the, you know, maybe do a grant agreement later? But, could we make a commitment to the \$5,000 tonight?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Sure.

President Kiefer: Okay, I would like to do that.

Commissioner Abell: Then I will put that in the form of a motion.

Commissioner Melcher: Second.

President Kiefer: Roll call please. We'll formalize with a grant agreement later.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: We'll do a formal agreement for 2015 for that amount.

President Kiefer: Thank you.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Does that make sense?

President Kiefer: Yeah, that makes sense. Thank you, Joe. Thank you, Commissioner Abell. I appreciate that.

Old Business

President Kiefer: Is there any old business?

Public Comment

President Kiefer: Okay, here's the fun part. Is there any public comment? We'll say the zoning comments later, when we get to zoning, but other than that, is there any public comment? Okay, good.

Consent Items

President Kiefer: Well, moving right along, consent items please.

Madelyn Grayson: The consent items for the December 16th meeting are as follows. We have approval of the December 9, 2014 Commission meeting minutes. Employment changes for the Commissioners approval, we have one for the County Highway. The Commissioners have the Hillcrest Washington Youth Home fiscal year end audit for June 30, 2014. We have four neighborhood association registration forms; one for Bluegrass Pigeon Neighborhood Association, Oak Hill Neighborhood Association, Westside Improvement Association, and Indian Woods-Windsong Subdivision. The County Engineer has a department head report.

President Kiefer: Okay, is there a motion to approve?

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: Okay, thank you. Roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Yes.

(Motion approved 3-0)

**Continuation of Final Reading of Rezoning VC-7-2014 As Amended
Petitioner: J.J. Brodi, LLC
Address: 4504 & 4510 Heckel Road
Request: Change from AG, R-3 & C-4 with UDC to C-4 with UDC**

President Kiefer: Okay, now, tonight we have a rezoning of which I have a conflict. So, I'm going to leave the room. I'm going to ask Commissioner Abell, and this is very fitting that on your last night of being a Commissioner, and the very last item, you get to be in charge and run the meeting. So, with that—

Commissioner Abell: Gee, thanks.

President Kiefer: – I'm going to step out of the room.

Commissioner Abell: This is the second and final rezoning ordinance of VC-7-2014 as amended. The petitioner is J.J. Brodi, LLC, 4504 and 4510 Heckel Road, it's a change from AG, R-3 and C-4 with a use and development to C-4 with a use and development commitment. To start out, I would like to have a motion to approve to bring the discussion to the floor.

Commissioner Melcher: This is just to move it to the floor?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: I'll second that. Would Area Plan Commission like to make a statement? Mr. DeLucio, and anyone who wishes to testify this evening raise your right hand, and Mr. Harrison will swear you in.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: All those who wish to speak in connection with this rezoning petition please raise your right hand. Do you swear, affirm the testimony you're about to give is true and accurate, so help you God?

All Speakers: I do.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Thank you.

Marco DeLucio: Commissioners, my name is Marco DeLucio. I represent J.J. Brodi, in connection with this rezoning petition. I won't rehash, I'll incorporate by reference the comments that I made at last week's meeting. Just to briefly recount the history, this property is currently, has a C-4 zoning, a portion of it, with a use and development commitment, with the balance of it being zoned R-3, and with some AG to the north of the lake. So, the property is already zoned C-4, and with an R-3 designation. The petition before you this evening is to rezone that entire, roughly 35 acres, a little less than that, to C-4 with a use and development commitment. It came to the Plan Commission in November, without a use and development commitment, where it did not receive any favorable votes whatsoever. I was retained shortly after that, and organized a meeting with the neighbors on December the 1st. We went through the various issues and came up with a proposed use and development commitment that pretty much mirrored the use and development commitment that was in effect. We circulated that to the neighbors, received some comments from them, made some changes to the use and development commitment. That came before you last Tuesday evening, where there were still some concerns expressed by the neighbors. In particular at that time, there was a request for a 300 foot buffer where the proposed grocery store was going to be located. Some questions about truck docks, some questions about screening. We asked to have the matter continued in order to have some further discussions with the entity that was going to purchase the property, and some follow up discussions with the neighbors as well. The week went very quickly. What we have circulated, you should have on your desk in front of you this evening, is an amended use and development commitment. That document reflects what progress we have been able to make in the week. Let me summarize, briefly, if you want to follow along, you'll see, in paragraph one, that we have created a, what I refer to in the use and development commitment as a buffer lot, which will run approximately 533 feet from existing Vieth Drive west, to the west 533 feet west and goes north 200 feet. That buffer lot is there to, I think the concern that was expressed was that with the proposed grocery store that the neighbors didn't want that exactly sitting on that corner. They were looking for a buffer of approximately 300 feet. 200 feet is about as good as we could do, and we've agreed, in addition to that, I believe paragraph two, we've added some language about a landscape buffer. That landscape buffer would call for the planting of some arbor vitae trees, centered at about ten foot and staggered, that would run along, from the front of the building that's constructed on that north lot, west to the west property line. So, the purpose there was to screen that particular area. We did have a little bit of carve out to the extent that there's any access drives that are permitted, to run south to Heckel Road, that there be a little bit of an interruption of that screening where those access drives would be located. Finally, a concern was raised about loading docks, and where those might be located. There was some question about, if the loading docks on the proposed grocery were going to be on the south side or the west side of the building. We've committed to limit that to loading docks being located on the south side of the building, not only for, excuse me, to be located on the west side of the building or the north side, but not the south side, nearest the neighborhood. On both, not only the lot where the grocery store is going to be, but also on the buffer lot as well. So, those are some of the things that we've attempted to do to address concerns of the neighbors. I think I want to correct maybe the record, it was brought to my attention that maybe I misspoke last week and said that the use and development commitment was exactly the same as the use and development commitment that's already in effect. There were some, I think, minor changes to it. We added various restrictions, first of all, so, I think that helped it, but I think I wanted to bring to your

attention, specifically, because I was told that I didn't do that, and I want to do that, was, with respect to the old restriction prohibited a bar. We've modified that slightly. If you look under use group, it would be in use group eight, where recreational uses, a bar is still excluded, but we have excluded sports bar, other bar with higher gross sales of food over alcohol, and provided a closing time of before midnight. So, we did add that. I wanted to bring that to your attention. There was a question about, in use group 10, under the service uses, automobile and specialized services were excluded, but we added some back in, which included an oil change store and a tire store and a transmission repair shop. However, there was some concern the neighbors expressed about those kind of stores having open bay areas and noise that might generate. We agreed that any of those, if they were ever erected on the entire property, that would be moved back 300 feet from Heckel Road, which should prevent, provide a sufficient buffer. Because there will be buildings in front of those, so, hopefully that will, that solves that problem. Battery repair and rebuilding, if you go down a little bit, we excluded from that, retail battery sales stores. So, it's not, you know, like the battery, some battery stores, I think, the zoning code is, you know, the old batteries sit out in front. Retail battery, we think, shouldn't be an objectionable use. In use group 11, again, under automobile we excluded auto repair and auto parts stores. So, you know, Auto Zone and those kind of things could be located there. Lumber, we've excluded from that any kind of home improvement store. I think there was some concern expressed, you know, we were thinking more in terms of an Ace, that kind of just a general home improvement store that might sell lumber as a side line. We didn't want to restrict those. There was some concern that there might be like a Lowe's or a Home Depot or something like that. The size of the building, we have a size restriction on the building limiting those to 45,000 square feet, and either of those stores are substantially larger than those. So, we don't think there can be a Lowe's store, or a Home Depot located in that area. So, in conclusion, I would like to argue, at least, that we have gone well beyond what the use and development commitment that exists out there now to try to restrict some uses. We've tried our best to address the neighbors concerns. I think we've done such a good job of that, that the prospective purchaser that was going to develop the grocery store, I'm not sure is even interested in the location right now. That remains to be seen. We don't have a purchase agreement in place, but Mr. Johnston, one of the owners of J.J. Brodi felt that he would be willing to do this, and we could find somebody else to go in there, even if we didn't have that particular grocery store. With these kind of restrictions, hopefully it will address a lot of the concerns, if not all of the concerns of the neighbors. I conclude by saying, we would like to probably have a vote on this this evening. Mr. Johnston needs to know which direction this property is going to go. It's either going to be developed commercially, as we're kind of proposing this evening, or it will be developed partially commercially, because it is zoned C-4, part of the property, the balance of the property, probably 25 acres or so, is currently zoned R-3, which would allow, the obvious use there would be an apartment development. That's the way, if the zoning doesn't pass tonight, that's kind of the only alternative he's going to have, because he's precluded from coming back for a year after that. So, he's going to need to move forward. So, we've done everything we can to try to address as many of the concerns of the neighbors. I know we haven't done, we haven't addressed all of them. I'm not sure we ever probably could address all of the concerns, other than to leave it as farmland, which is probably not going to happen in that particular area. So, with that, we would respectfully request your approval of this rezoning petition. I'm happy to answer any questions you might have.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Melcher, do you have any questions?

Commissioner Melcher: No, not at this time.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. DeLucio, I don't have a question, but just as a matter of housekeeping, under buffer lot on the first page—

Marco DeLucio: Yes, Ma'am?

Commissioner Abell: — one, two, three, about the fourth line down, it refers to Heck Road. I'm sure you were referring to Heckel Road at that point.

Marco DeLucio: Absolutely. That's correct.

Commissioner Abell: Okay.

Marco DeLucio: If it would be permitted, I could submit a revised page to correctly spell the road.

Commissioner Abell: I just wanted to make sure we had it on the record.

Marco DeLucio: Obviously what I meant, yes.

Commissioner Melcher: That's why we're going to miss Marsha. You know, when I read it, I thought it was Heckel. I read faster.

Marco DeLucio: I think it would say, no heck.

Commissioner Abell: I'm a real slow reader. Okay, thank you, Mr. DeLucio.

Marco DeLucio: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Would someone else like to speak to this issue? Mr. Ozete?

Andy Ozete: Thank you, Commissioners. I do want to say that I know Mr. DeLucio has been working very hard on this issue. We did receive the revised UDC today, or I received it today, I should say. Again, I should make it clear that I'm only speaking for my individual capacity and not on behalf of the neighborhood association. I did receive the revised UDC today, and if I can approach, I would like to hand you something I showed Mr. DeLucio, a map of the area. What I did, and I will tell you I'm horrible at this. So, bear with me. I went on GIS this afternoon, and by the way, thank you, Commissioners, for allowing us to have GIS. It's a fantastic tool. In any event, what you'll see there is a yellow area. What I did was is I looked at Mr. DeLucio's proposed buffer lot, and drew that out on the GIS. This issue that came to my mind was, is that it does not cover the whole property. It only covers that one area in yellow. Instead of extending it to the entirety of the property. So, that is the first concern that I have with Mr. DeLucio's proposal and Mr. Brodi's¹ proposal, is that I don't understand...I mean, they understood that we were very concerned about a large, high volume store being placed right on Heckel Road. It would seem to make sense that that same restriction apply to the entirety of the frontage. I just want to take one partial issue with what Mr. DeLucio said, he said that we had asked for 300 square foot, or 300 foot, what I said was, I don't know what I want, I just want to make sure it's lined up with, so we line up the exit more with, or the entrance more

¹Should be the last name of the petitioner, Mr. Johnston.

with Hannie Lane. It's very difficult to see that, because it's in purple, but if you look for the word "Hannie" right next to Green River Vista.

Commissioner Abell: Can you spell the word I'm looking for? Hannie?

Andy Ozete: Haynie, Hannie. It's right, do you see where it says Green River Vista?

Commissioner Abell: Oh, okay.

Andy Ozete: I believe that Hannie Lane there is—

Commissioner Melcher: It blends in.

Andy Ozete: What's that?

Commissioner Melcher: It blends in.

Andy Ozete: It really does blend in. It's very difficult to read. I didn't know how to make the purple go away. I mean, somebody smarter than me could probably have done that, but, in any event, that, I believe, is the entrance currently across the front, the dark purple onto Vieth right now. I believe that's the current entrance. The comment that I had made to Mr. DeLucio is that it seemed to me to make sense to move the larger parcel farther north to make it more attractive to that entrance, as opposed to the Heckel Road entrance off Green River Road. I will tell you that he has come back and said, look, we are going to put this buffer area here. My concerns with this are two fold, first, I think the buffer area should extend the entirety of the distance, and second, I would ask that it be farther north. I don't know why it can't be farther north. We did not get a chance to discuss that with the developer. Not that it's my place to talk to the developer, I apologize, but I did not get to explore this further with Mr. DeLucio today, just due to the time constraints. They may be saying this is as far as we can do, but I think it should be, at a minimum, all the way across. Those same restrictions that Mr. DeLucio spoke about, about things like where the loading docks will be and screening, only apply to that yellow area. It seems to me that those same restrictions should apply uniformly across the frontage of the property. They're good ideas and things that the neighbors asked for, but it doesn't make sense, if you'll look at the map, the farther west property is even farther in to the neighborhood, and more houses are affected on that farther west parcel, where the buffer area does not yet exist. The other thing is that there is nothing that prohibits, again, the 45,000, or large building on that western parcel. So, I think that that same restriction should be applied to both. The buffer zone does call for trees along the yellow east-west line, as opposed to along the road. Instead of the trees being along the roadway, what they're saying is we'll buffer it in farther north. I would prefer the trees to be on the south, but what I, the only thing about Mr. DeLucio's comments that disturb me tonight was sort of the insistence of an up or down vote tonight. Frankly, we haven't had a chance to take this to the neighborhood. I have no idea what my neighbors think about this. I can only tell you what I think, and I can tell you I think that the restrictions should be all the way across, and I think it should be farther north, but I can't tell you anything else, because we just got them today. It's Mr. DeLucio's, of course, right and their right to say give me an up or down tonight. I truly am not saying here today, no commercial in this area. I recognize that part of it's already zoned commercial. I think commercial development is good for the county. I just don't think that a very super high density, you know, a very high traffic business directly across from the people's houses is exactly what we want either. So, it is my hope that this could be continued

to allow us to work with Mr. DeLucio, maybe there's things, we're not going to do anything else anyway, and there's no agreement to be reached. But, that would be my hope is that it could be something to be worked out, we are very, at least I am very much interested in coming to a resolution with him. I don't know if it's possible, but I can tell you that that is something that I remain committed to. I think that's all I have. Thank you very much for your time.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you. Does someone else want to address us?

Brad Mills: I'm Brad Mills. I'm the President of Keystone Homeowners Association. Marco² doesn't officially speak for us, but he is a good speaker and he could relay the concerns of our neighborhood very well. I would have to agree with what he said. I won't try to repeat everything. I know Marco and Mr. Johnston have been working hard with us to try to come to an agreement, but I would like to see that this be continued for another month, if that would be possible. That's all. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you, Mr. Mills.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, let me, before you sit down. I talked to you today, and I was wrong when I said it was Friday. It was Monday when I talked to them.

Brad Mills: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: So, I was wrong.

Brad Mills: Alright.

Commissioner Melcher: So, I, but I still thought you were getting it Monday.

Brad Mills: Yeah, we didn't get it till about 10:00, I think, this morning. I did go to our website, and I posted it on there. I sent an e-mail blast out this afternoon, but it's hard to get that to 518 lot owners in a short period of time. I would like to have our association given the chance to have a meeting and get their vote on it versus just my opinion or Andy's opinion. You know, we want to do what the neighborhood wants to do.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you. Someone else? Yes?

Anita Ozete: Good evening and thank you. My name is Anita Ozete. I'm Mrs. Oscar Ozete, so there's no confusion here. The, I agree, I think that the petitioners have tried to do some things that we have requested. I think there are a couple things that maybe need still to be furthered on. I was a little bit upset, Mr. DeLucio was kind enough to respond to an e-mail that I had sent him, and in that response he kind of reminded me that, well, they may need to put apartments there if we can't get this through. I felt a little intimidated by that. I didn't quite like that feeling. I guess, I'm thinking, well, wait, we are working with you also, because you have asked us to completely dissolve certain things that we already had with you, and in doing so you're asking us to take on something that we may not love, but that we're certainly willing to understand that you've got to have some business here. So, I didn't like that part of it, but (a) I'm not clear, is the main entrance to be off Green River Road, as opposed to Heckel? Which I don't think should handle all that major traffic. I'm not

²Should be Andy Ozete.

clear from what I'm seeing where that is. The buffer, again, I think that Mr. Ozete had mentioned that it should go all the way to the west end of the property, because what would prevent somebody from putting later their loading docks back there and facing the neighbors. It just doesn't seem, I don't know, it doesn't seem in keeping. I had asked specifically about the home improvements stores. The reason I did, and if, in fact, there is not going to be a big one, I guess that's okay. My concern with home improvement stores is that they do sell a lot of wonderful things like, that we all use a little bit of, solvents and pesticides and things for making your lawn work better and so forth, but they also give off a lot of fumes if they're outside. So, if, in fact, it's going to be a small store, like an Ace, that's okay, but I don't know that it's going to be a small store. So, I, that kind of worries me. I also asked about the hotels and motels, because that's still in the use of the C-4, and I'm trying to visualize a hotel or a motel there. I think that maybe it's on a different parcel, perhaps, the one that must run directly across, along Green River, because certainly I don't think a hotel or motel could be 45,000 square feet. That doesn't seem like it would be big enough. The response was that, well, they thought that maybe that was a really compatible thing in that area was a motel or hotel. So, that's, I guess, aside from the fact that at the meeting that we had in November, we were told by the other attorney, and I know you are not that attorney, but we were told that the client had agreed that we would have all the same restrictions as we did before. We presumed, I guess, that there would be even more. Again, I do want to commend them, they are working with us. I think we need to just go a little bit more, I think we can get it taken care of. I hope that there isn't a desire to say, well, if we can't get it taken care of tonight, then we're just going to go to apartments. That's all I have to say. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you. Mr. Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: I wouldn't let that worry you. I've heard that every time.

Anita Ozete: I beg your pardon?

Commissioner Melcher: I wouldn't let that worry you. That comes up all the time. Everybody says it was already zoned for this, we could do this. That happens every time.

Anita Ozete: You're excused.

Commissioner Abell: Actually, it's not a threat from anyone, it's just information. It's just for information purposes. That's the way it is. You know, it is what, that was already that way.

Commissioner Melcher: Yeah, if you call Area Plan they will tell you how it's zoned and what could go there.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, it's just an information.

Commissioner Melcher: All they're trying to do is get a little leverage.

Commissioner Abell: Does anyone else wish to address?

Cynthia Turner: Cynthia Turner, 5600 High Tower Drive. I just, I'm the Secretary, and last week I did speak, because Brad was unable to attend. I just want to reiterate and remind you that we were given this week to meet with them with the

Association. We didn't have time to do that. We had time today to post it this afternoon, when the majority of the people that live in our neighborhood were at work. I'm sure my phone is burning up while we're here, because people didn't have time to look at it, haven't had time to respond, and we kind of promised them a meeting. So, I just hope that we can have an extension so that we can get with the community, with our neighborhood, and then get with them and work together. We know this is coming, something is coming. We're not saying no. We just want to work together, and we haven't had that chance to do that. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you. Anyone else wish to address the issue? Mrs. Harp?

Susan Harp: Susan Harp, 2515 Glenn Avenue, President of Oak Hill Neighborhood Association. I was pleased with the improvements that were made from last week, but I think probably that it did put a rush on everybody on both sides. So, I would say it's your pleasure of what you would like to do this evening, but I think that it could be tweaked to the perfection that everyone wants, maybe if the time was extended.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you. Anyone else? Mr. DeLucio, would you like to respond to some of the comments?

Marco DeLucio: Well, the first thing I would like to do is apologize to Mrs. Ozete. I think you both hit it on the nose. I certainly didn't mean it that way, and I'll go back and re-read it. Sometimes when I put things in e-mails, my wife even tells me I sound nasty sometimes. So, I apologize, Mrs. Ozete. I don't want your son mad at me either. Just a couple of things, I forgot to mention that we have offered a protective covenant that is very similar to the protective covenant that was in existence in 2002 that covers the entire parcel and prohibits billboards. You know, if this passes tonight, the neighborhood association doesn't have the authority to sign it, we've offered to keep that open till mid-January or beyond, if necessary, so that they have time to consider as to whether or not they would want to entertain that. A couple of other things, I wanted to make sure, I think, I may have misunderstood what Andy Ozete said, but the 45,000 square foot restriction, that applies to the entire 35 acre parcel. It's not just to the two parcels that we're talking about. So, hopefully, that addresses the concern that there won't be any big boxes anywhere out there. I didn't, I briefly glanced at the map that Andy gave to you, and does that show on there the drainage, the lake on the property? I don't think it does, does it? Because about, a good third of that property, especially to the north, is part of a lake that serves as drainage for that area out there. So, the reason, you know, we can't extend that, you know, the 200 or 300 foot buffer any further is that we just have a, well, it looks like we have 35 acres to develop out there, I would guess, you know, five to ten acres is under water, and will have to remain under water, because I think it's part of the drainage for the area out there. As to, you know, I've heard the requests, and I talked to Commissioner Melcher before the meeting about whether or not we would be in a position to continue this. It's very difficult for Mr. Johnston, he kind of needs to know which way to move forward with this. Whether to continue to work with this prospective purchaser, or take the other tact. So, we really kind of need to move forward this evening. I'm never one to give up on negotiations at all, but I really think that, in this short period of time, we've attempted to address the concerns of the neighbors. Nothing I've heard tonight, I don't know that there can be any real, really any more substantive tweaks that we could do to the proposal that we have here. We think it's the best we could do. I certainly apologize for not getting this to Andy and Brad and the others earlier than I did. I take responsibility for that. It was a relatively short week. We had to try to work through some of these issues

with the prospective purchaser. I wanted to speak with the Commissioners and briefly let them know what we were doing, and see if I could get any additional thoughts. It wasn't until yesterday that I had the chance to do that, then finish up the use and development commitment. I tried to get it out as quickly as I could this morning. It was 10:00, and it was short notice, and I understand that, but at the end of the day, I'm not sure there's much more the property owner can do at this point than what you see in front of you. I think Mr. Johnston has told me today that's probably the best that we can do. We hope it's enough to satisfy the Commissioners. We hope that it's enough to satisfy the neighbors. We don't think there's going to be and there won't be any big boxes out there on that entire property, on the frontage or whatever. It doesn't make any sense to me that there would be loading docks on the south side of the property. Anything that is located on down Heckel Road, that's the frontage road, and you're not going to put the back of any store, I don't think right on those properties. So, we would, again, ask for your approval of this rezoning petition this evening, and appreciate your time and effort and consideration of this matter. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Any other comments?

Andy Ozete: Just to clarify, I've—

Commissioner Abell: Please come to the microphone, Mr. Ozete.

Andy Ozete: Thank you. It's difficult to see, Marco. Around where that black line is, that's where the water is on your maps. You can see it, unfortunately, again, if I knew how to make that background color go away, I sure would have, but that's about where the water is on the map. Mr. DeLucio did speak correctly that the 45,000 square foot limit does apply to the whole building, but even that's a huge building. I mean, that's way bigger than the Schnuck's on South Green River Road, and that can be put right up against the road, on the western parcel, as opposed to having a buffer across the western parcel as well. So, while it could not be a 70,000 square foot building there, a 45,000 square foot building could be put right up on Heckel Road there. So, I don't think that, from my perspective, I don't know that these are unreasonable additional requests, since they are sort of in comportment of what they've already said, as to the one parcel. Maybe they do need to, maybe they are unwilling to, I don't see Mr. Johnston here tonight to discuss this with him. I'm sort of left at a, I just don't understand this at all. I can't get past it, from my perspective, and I don't understand it. So, I would ask that it be, if it must be up or down tonight, I would ask down, but, by golly, I sure would like to see responsible commercial development on this site. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you. Anyone else. Mr. Melcher, did you have anything you wanted to say?

Commissioner Melcher: Yeah, I don't even know why we're at this point. I've never liked anything coming at the last minute. I asked to get it postponed a week knowing that was fast, but I thought, I really thought that there would be some more ground work and meeting with the neighbors. That didn't happen, because it came late. I don't like to drag things off, because the more you drag things off, more things arise. In other words, people start getting madder, and everything happens, but in this case, you know, even though I would like to vote tonight, and would want to vote tonight instead of pushing it off till January, because we're going to have a new Commissioner that's never been involved in one of these, and that's going to be really difficult for him. But, I also believe that basically it's better if we wait, and I

tried, you know, like Marco said, I told him before the meeting, because I made the mistake of thinking that the neighbors got the notice a little earlier than what they did, I would rather wait, if it was me.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. DeLucio, I have a question for you.

Marco DeLucio: Yes, Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: If these Commissioners agreed, these Commissioners being just Mr. Melcher and I, since Mr. Kiefer cannot vote on this, to come back to a special meeting in either one week or two weeks to get this completed before the end of 2014, and Mr. Melcher was in agreement with that, would you be in agreement with that? Or, do you still want it done tonight?

Marco DeLucio: If we can, I would think that Mr. Johnston couldn't be here this evening, and I think that that would probably be okay. Again, I don't want to give any false illusions, and I'm happy to continue discussions with them, but I think the issue that I hear tonight is the extension of the buffer west on Heckel Road, and I specifically had that discussion with Mr. Johnston today, and he's not in a position to do that. So, you know, I'm happy to do that, I'm happy to provide the neighbors with some additional time, if they need to have a meeting to discuss that, or if we could answer any additional questions, and we could still get this wrapped up this year, I'm willing to do that.

Commissioner Abell: I'm not asking you to make any additional changes. Mr. Johnston is your client, he's going to tell you what he wants done, I just threw that out as a way for the neighborhood association to feel like they have had adequate time, if they did just get it today. I don't want to say if, I know they did. I didn't mean that to accuse them that they didn't. I haven't even asked Mr. Melcher if he's going to be in town, because I don't think he is, now that I said that.

Commissioner Melcher: Unfortunately, I'm going to be gone.

Commissioner Abell: When are you leaving?

Commissioner Melcher: The 23rd at 6:00 a.m.

Commissioner Abell: Well, we don't have to have it on Tuesday night. It's a special meeting. Isn't that correct, Mr. Harrison?

Commissioner Melcher: But, we could do it on Monday.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, we can do it any night, can't we, Mr. Harrison?

Commissioner Melcher: I'll just have my wife pack.

Commissioner Abell: I think she's out there. I think I saw her get a gun out or something.

Commissioner Melcher: The good thing about it. Brad's had her covered up all night. I haven't been able to see any reaction tonight.

Commissioner Abell: I could do—

Commissioner Melcher: I agree with you. I think, in fairness to everybody, however this vote goes down—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: You've got to get the notice out tomorrow.

Commissioner Melcher: — I think we need to get the notice out, and I think we need to say what it's going to be. If it's going to be—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: The 22nd?

Commissioner Melcher: — the 22nd—

Commissioner Abell: The 22nd.

Commissioner Melcher: If you want to do it earlier, we can.

Commissioner Abell: Yeah, I think we would almost have to. I mean, Mr. Melcher's, I mean—

Marco DeLucio: I'm okay whenever.

Commissioner Abell: I think he meant earlier in the day, didn't you? Since you have to get up and get on an airplane at 6:00 a.m.?

Commissioner Melcher: Or, 4:00 or something. What do you think, Brad?

Commissioner Abell: Oh, is the City Council in here that night?

Marco DeLucio: No, they're not meeting the rest of the year.

Commissioner Abell: They're finished?

Marco DeLucio: They're finished.

Commissioner Abell: We were too.

Marco DeLucio: I'm sorry.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, we could do it at 5:00.

Commissioner Melcher: We'll do it at 5:00.

Commissioner Abell: On the 22nd.

Brad Mills: 5:00 or 4:00 is fine. 4:00 you can do, if you want.

Commissioner Melcher: No. I want people to be able to get here if they need to get here.

Brad Mills: Alright.

Commissioner Melcher: So, 5:00 would be good.

Commissioner Abell: Is that in agreement with everybody? That we could do 5:00 on the 22nd?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: We need a motion.

Commissioner Abell: I'm going to need a motion to that effect.

Commissioner Melcher: I'll make it, as long as I see enough heads saying that. Okay, so I'll make the motion that we're delaying it, for the last time, until Monday, the, what is that—

Joe Harrison, Jr.: The 22nd.

Commissioner Melcher: —the 22nd.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: The 22nd of December at 5:00 and it will be a special called meeting by the County Commissioners for the purpose of hearing this rezoning only.

Commissioner Melcher: That's what I was going to say. So, thank you.

Commissioner Abell: And make it short.

Marco DeLucio: I will.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Is there a second?

Commissioner Abell: I'll second it.

Commissioner Melcher: I think you just need to work on it during the weekend. That should give everybody time. Susan can tell you, she's worked up miracles overnight. So, I mean, you've got more time.

Commissioner Abell: Well, you have it now. They have it in their hands. Tomorrow morning, surely everybody that wants to see it can open it up on their computer and see it. So, we'll just reconvene this meeting—

Madelyn Grayson: We need to take a vote on that motion.

Commissioner Abell: Oh, yeah, we have to take a vote. I seconded it.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Joe Harrison, Jr.: It will be a special meeting.

Commissioner Abell: It will be a special meeting, on December 22nd at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers to consider this item only.

Marco DeLucio: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you, Mr. DeLucio. Mr. Kiefer, you can come back in and take over.

Recognition of County Highway Superintendent: Scot Wichser

President Kiefer: I want to apologize. There's a very important person in the audience that I forgot to recognize, Scot Wichser, who is our new Highway Superintendent. Scot, can you come up and be recognized. You're officially starting, you've already kind of started the position, but now anybody that has a road complaint, this is the guy to call.

Scot Wichser: Appreciate that.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, first, why don't you tell us how long you've been out there.

Scot Wichser: Ten years.

Commissioner Melcher: Ten years, you've got some credence there.

Scot Wichser: I've been a Foreman out there for ten years, handling about everything out there. So, looking forward to it. I want to thank you all.

President Kiefer: Well, Scot, sorry I missed you earlier. But, anyway, for anybody else in the audience, we've got some cake in the conference room. We would love to have somebody come eat the rest of that up. But, anyway, did you have anything to report regarding—

Scot Wichser: Not at this time, no.

President Kiefer: Okay, the Highway Department, well, congratulations. Welcome to the new position of Highway Superintendent. Look forward to working with you in 2015. I'm sure Marsha will—

Commissioner Abell: Maybe you won't have a lot of snow this year.

Scot Wichser: Knock on wood. Alright, thank you.

President Kiefer: Thanks.

Commissioner Abell's Parting Words

President Kiefer: Is there anything else to come before the County Commissioners?

Commissioner Abell: I would like to make a, actually this is probably not going to be my last meeting, although I thought it was going to be. Thanks to some of my friends

in the audience, I guess I'm going to be here next week. I would like to say that serving in public office has probably been the most rewarding thing I've done in my working career. I've never felt more humbled than I am at the times when I sign my name to documents that I know will be in this building as long as this building remains, and as long as Vanderburgh County is a government. That is a very surreal feeling, and it's something that very few people in their lifetime get to do is make any kind of an impact at all on the community that they live in, and the community that they love. For that I want to thank everyone who has given me that privilege to serve. I cannot think of anything I would have enjoyed more. But, since I also have the microphone and someone watching, some people watching on television, actually more people than I think, because they say, I saw you and you didn't look very good last Tuesday night. Those are my friends. My enemies say worse. I'm going to take advantage of this to make a statement to the citizens of Vanderburgh County. You know, it hasn't been long ago that Evansville was considered one of the most miserable cities in the United States. It was in some publication. That's a self proclaimed acclamation, because we are the ones who make it what it is. If we sit and write about a blog, or on some issue about what a terrible place this is to live, it will be a terrible place to live. But, if you become the cheerleader and you start talking about what a great place this is to live, it will become a great place to live. I can tell you that sitting up here is a very, very difficult job. These two gentlemen that I have served with have been two of the most wonderful officials that I've ever served with. They take a lot of thought in everything they do. It takes a lot of time for what is considered a part time job. If you don't like what we're doing, we have telephone numbers, we have e-mail addresses, we actually have a full time staffed office here. People should pick up their phone, if they disagree with their public officials, that's fine, but you don't have to be disagreeable. You don't have to call people names that you wouldn't call someone if you had to sign your name to the bottom of that comment. So, as I leave public office, and I leave my public service, I want to be able to start reading the paper and start reading good things about Vanderburgh County, good things about the City of Evansville and good comments from our constituents and the people that live out here. I hope that everyone will have a wonderful holiday season. Again, I cannot thank you enough for the honor that you have bestowed upon me to allow me to serve in public office. Thank you.

(Applause)

Adjournment

President Kiefer: With that, Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and I'll ask for the meeting to be adjourned.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: Second.

President Kiefer: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.)

CONSENT ITEMS:

Commissioners:

Approval of the December 9, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes.
Hillcrest Washington Youth Home Year End Audit: June 30, 2014.
Neighborhood Association Registrations: Bluegrass-Pigeon, Oak Hill,
Westside Improvement and Indian Woods-Windsong Subdivision.

Employment Changes:

County Highway (1)	County Clerk (1)	Prosecutor (2)
Circuit Court (2)	Sheriff (6)	

County Engineer: Department Head Report.

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer	Marsha Abell	Stephen Melcher
Joe Gries	Joe Harrison, Jr.	Kristin Comer
Madelyn Grayson	Missy Mosby	Steve Craig
Lloyd Winnecke	Sophie Rohleder	Ken Spear
Ron London	Dave Wedding	Mark Uhrin
John Stoll	Marco DeLucio	Andy Ozete
Brad Mills	Anita Ozete	Cynthia Turner
Susan Harp	Scot Wichser	Others Unidentified
Members of Media		

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**VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
DECEMBER 22, 2014**

The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in special session this 22nd day of December, 2014 at 5:06 p.m. in room 301 of the Civic Center Complex with President Joe Kiefer presiding. The sole purpose of this special meeting was for a final reading and hearing of rezoning petition VC-7-2014 as amended.

Call to Order

President Kiefer: Good evening. I would like to call to order the Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners special meeting for December 22, 2014. It is about five minutes after five.

Attendance Roll Call

President Kiefer: I would like to do attendance please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Kiefer?

President Kiefer: Here.

Commissioner Kiefer Announcement of Conflict of Interest

President Kiefer: First, I would like to state that after we get started here, when we hit the rezoning I'm going to step out of the room, as I have a conflict. So, I won't be in here.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Kiefer: We'll do the Pledge of Allegiance, then, after that, Commissioner Abell will do the invocation.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

Reading of Invocation

Commissioner Abell: Dear God of all people, thank you for the opportunity to gather this evening in a free and safe country. In this season of love and happiness, look over one and all, and make every one the person that You and we know we all can be. In Your Holy Name we pray. Amen.

President Kiefer: Thank you. That was well said, especially in consideration of what happened recently in New York City and then also in Florida. Let's all hope and pray that that violence goes away.

Second/Final Reading of Rezoning Ordinance VC-7-2014 As Amended
Petitioner: J.J. Brodi, LLC
Address: 4504 & 4510 Heckel Road
Request: Change from AG, R-3 & C-4 w/UDC to C-4 w/UDC
Action: Approved 2-0

President Kiefer: At this time we'll start the rezoning. I'll pass the gavel over to Commissioner Abell and I'm going to step out of the room during this part. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: This is a continuation of second and final rezoning ordinance VC-7-2014 as amended. The petitioner is J.J. Brodi, LLC, 4504 and 4510 Heckel Road. It's a change from AG, R-3 and C-4 with a use and development commitment to C-4 with a use and development commitment. I need a motion to approve to bring this to the floor.

Commissioner Melcher: So moved.

Commissioner Abell: And I'll second. Mr. DeLucio?

Joe Harrison, Jr.: All those who wish to speak on this petition, please raise your right hand. Do you swear, affirm the testimony that you're about to give is true and accurate, so help you God?

All Speakers: I do.

Joe Harrison, Jr.: Thank you.

Marco DeLucio: Good evening. My name is Marco DeLucio. I'm here this evening on behalf of J.J. Brodi, LLC, the petitioner. I won't rehash and I'll incorporate by reference comments that I've made in the previous two meetings. What I can report this evening is we've continued to have discussions with the Keystone Homeowners Association and other interested neighbors. To that end, we met with the Homeowners Association on Saturday morning and went through the use and development commitment and listened to additional concerns. Over the past couple of days and into this afternoon, we, I believe, reached some consensus on the amended use and development commitment, of which I e-mailed to each of you, and which I placed, a copy of which I placed on your desks this evening. To summarize, in addition to all of the things that were in the use and development commitment last week, or last Tuesday's meeting, there were some additional, what I would call enhancements in favor of the Homeowners Association, in order to garner, hopefully, their support this evening. Those can be summarized as follows; you'll recall that we had a buffer area that was 200 feet in width that only went about half of the property. The neighborhood requested that we extend that buffer area to the west property line, which we agreed to do so, and also to increase it from 200 to 300 feet. So, there is a 300 foot buffer area there. In that buffer area, loading docks, mechanical devices, dumpsters need to be on the north side of the building, and there are size limitations on the buildings that can go into that buffer area. The

second change that you'll see is in paragraph two. We have eliminated the screening that was in the prior use and development commitment that covered a part of the area, in exchange for which J.J. Brodi has agreed to contribute the total amount of \$15,000 to Keystone Homeowners Association. Those funds to be utilized to purchase and plant trees within the Homeowners Association, or within the right-of-way on, essentially, their side of the road, to provide screening on their property. We have agreed with the Homeowners Association that to the extent, those funds won't be contributed until the first lot sale, and we've also agreed that if those funds aren't expended for trees or planting of trees within a three year period that any remaining funds would be refunded to the petitioner. Lastly, I think the last change that we had had to do with providing some screening for the area north of the buffer area, we've called that the "north area". There will be some screening mandated to the extent that there aren't building constructed that would shield trash dumpsters, mechanical devices and dumpsters, if they're located anywhere but on the north side of the buildings on the north lot. So, if those types of improvements are located anywhere but on the north side of the building, they'll have to be screened from the neighbors. With that, I would entertain any questions you would have. I would ask for your approval and support of this this evening. We believe that we've addressed the neighbors concerns. A few are here this evening. I'm sure, if they haven't, we'll hear from them, but we hope and request your approval of the rezoning petition this evening. Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. Melcher, do you have questions?

Commissioner Melcher: No, nobody's ever asked, or I don't remember if they did, what kind of storage do they plan on having back there? Or, do they not know yet? You know, like if a certain type of business they're going to have some stuff outside, that should be screened, or fenced off or something?

Marco DeLucio: I don't believe, I'm trying to remember from the use and development commitment, but I don't believe, we don't know what kind of businesses are going to be located in there yet, but I don't believe that there's anything in the use and development commitment, there might be some restrictions on outside storage, as you look through some of the use restrictions.

Commissioner Melcher: No, somebody talked about an Ace Hardware.

Marco DeLucio: We talked about an Ace Hardware store, and I think the concern there was the storage of material outside; lumber—

Commissioner Melcher: That's why I'm bringing it up.

Marco DeLucio: – yeah, no, I think we did address that—

Commissioner Melcher: It's not just that—

Marco DeLucio: – and said that there would not be any storage of chemicals, I believe, or lumber outside.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

Marco DeLucio: I think that that is set forth in, that's set forth at the bottom of page four, under use group 11. We talked about, no lumber stores, that excluded home

improvement stores, but said that those stores to the extent that they're there could not store chemicals or fertilizers outside the buildings. So, that is something, I think, we added since last week's meeting. That's probably right. I forgot that we added that as well.

Commissioner Abell: Anything further? Mr. DeLucio, thank you.

Marco DeLucio: Thank you.

Commissioner Abell: Mr. London, are you here to make a statement on behalf of Area Plan Commission?

Ron London: No, Ma'am. I'm just here as if Janet were here. I'm here in her place, so, that's it.

Commissioner Abell: You need a better life, Ron.

Commissioner Melcher: Thanks for being here with us.

Ron London: Thanks.

Commissioner Abell: Okay. He has nothing more to do two days before Christmas than come to one of our meetings. Mr. Mills, would you like to—

Brad Mills: Thank you. My name is Brad Mills, President of Keystone Homeowners Association. We did have a meeting on Saturday. We had approximately 26 households that were represented at our meeting. We did have a number of proxies for our Association. We've got 518 lots, and with that we have to have ten percent in order to take a legal action on anything. We weren't able, with our proxies in order to meet that number, however, of the 40 proxies and people present that we had, we did have unanimous support for the UDC, with the recommended changes that have been made since our meeting until today. Then, also, we spoke with Mr. DeLucio about a private covenant that you all have heard that we've been working with as well, and they've allowed us to act on that at our meeting that we have at the end of February, which is our annual meeting. I'm sure we'll have a quorum at that, so, we'll be able to approve that. Then, as board members, be able to sign and execute that. I would have to agree with all that Mr. DeLucio has stated. These were things that we had asked for. There was a little bit of give and take, and, I believe this is a fair rezoning. It addressed the majority of our concerns for a majority of our members. We would be in favor of it being approved.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you, Mr. Mills.

Brad Mills: Alright.

Commissioner Melcher: Could you e-mail us the date of that meeting?

Commissioner Melcher: I can e-mail that you, yeah.

Commissioner Melcher: In February?

Brad Mills: Yes.

Commissioner Melcher: In case we were able to make it or something.

Brad Mills: Alright.

Commissioner Melcher: I think that would be good if we did, so we know what's going on. I did get a call from Susan Harp. She was kind of neutral on it, because she didn't know which way, at that time she didn't know if there was a deal or not between you and the other.

Brad Mills: Melcher: Okay.

Commissioner Melcher: But, she voiced some of her concerns, but I think them have been answered.

Brad Mills: Alright.

Commissioner Melcher: She doesn't want apartments.

Brad Mills: Right.

Commissioner Melcher: Okay.

Commissioner Abell: Thank you.

Brad Mills: Uh-huh.

Commissioner Abell: Is there someone else who would like to address? No? Mr. DeLucio?

Marco DeLucio: One additional thing, I neglected to mention the original of the use and development commitment, I told Mrs. Grayson before the meeting, we'll have to get the signature page up here. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston are in Florida, I will ask them to send the original, I'll get those to Mrs. Grayson the first part of next week.

Commissioner Abell: Okay, thank you. Anyone else who would like to address this issue? I have a motion and a second on the floor. Could I have a roll call? Are we ready for the question?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Commissioner Abell: Could I have a roll call vote please?

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Melcher?

Commissioner Melcher: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Abell?

Commissioner Abell: Yes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Commissioner Abell: I want to say that this is the type of cooperation we really enjoy seeing in this community. Thank you all so much for working so hard on this issue.

Commissioner Melcher: I would agree with Marsha. It's better if everybody works together on these and gets together, hopefully, as people watch this, they start doing this before they get here and go back, that's why you can't rush anything. We need to get it all done the first time. I appreciate both sides. I really appreciate the neighborhood, and I think the neighborhood is being fair.

Commissioner Abell: Since I wasn't paid for this meeting, who do I send my bill to?

Marco DeLucio: Send it to the Homeowners Association.

Commissioner Abell: I don't think Mr. Mills will approve it.

Marco DeLucio: I would just like to say, I think in talking to members of the Homeowners Association, certainly my clients, we very much appreciate the County Commissioners coming back for a special meeting to hear this this evening. That's above and beyond the call of duty, and, again, that's a sign to us of good government at work. So, thank you very much.

Commissioner Abell: We feel it was our duty to do it. Happy to be here. I will entertain a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Melcher: Well, give me a second. I think what you said is really important about the three Commissioners that were here. That the three Commissioners that were here at the last few years that we've been here, we've worked great together, regardless of party. We've always tried to make sure that the people had their voice, and the developers had their voice. We've all tried to push for things that are the best for our community. I think that's one thing that I'm really glad I was up here with Marsha and Joe and the time we had. So, I'll move to adjourn.

Commissioner Abell: I'll second. All in favor say aye.

Commissioner Melcher: Aye.

Commissioner Abell: Aye.

(Motion approved 2-0)

Commissioner Abell: We are adjourned.

(The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.)

Those in Attendance:

Joe Kiefer
Joe Gries
Madelyn Grayson
Brad Mills

Marsha Abell
Joe Harrison, Jr.
Ron London
Others Unidentified

Stephen Melcher
Rachel Kitterman
Marco DeLucio
Members of Media

**VANDERBURGH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

(Abstained from vote.)
Joe Kiefer, President

(Not in office when approved.)
Marsha Abell, Vice President

Bruce Ungethiem, Vice President (2015)

Stephen Melcher, Member

(Recorded and transcribed by Madelyn Grayson.)