

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT, The Board of Commissioners of the County of St. Joseph met in a regular session in the County City Building on January 6, 2015 at the hour of 10:00 a.m. (EST) at which time in the following members were present: Andrew Kostielney, Dave Thomas, and Dr. Deborah Fleming D.M.D. were present.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

The meeting is called to order by Auditor Michael Hamann.  
The first order of business is to elect the officers for the calendar year 2015.  
Mr. Hamann asked for nomination of President.  
Dr. Fleming nominates Andy Kostielney for President.  
Motion seconded by Mr. Thomas.  
Motion passed by a 3-0 vote.  
Mr. Hamann asked for nomination of Vice President.  
Dr. Fleming nominated Mr. Thomas as Vice President and Mr. Kostielney seconded.  
Motion passed by a 3-0 vote.

The minutes of the last meeting were unanimously approved.

Next on the agenda was to approve Department Appointments for 2015, they are as follows:

**DEPARTMENT APPOINTMENTS:**

Frank J Agostino	Deputy County Attorney
Peter J. Agostino	Deputy County Attorney
John Antonucci	Emergency Management Director
Jessica Clark	County Engineer
Queenie Evans	Human Resources Director
Mike Godsey	Assistant Building Engineer
Robert Hedl	Building Engineer
Mitch Heppenheimer	Deputy County Attorney
Marcel Lebbin	Deputy County Attorney
Scott MacKenzie	Purchasing Manager
Charles "Chip" Porter	County Highway Engineer
Mark P. Telloyan	Deputy County Attorney
Jamie C. Woods	County Attorney
Anthony Zappia	Assistant County Attorney

Mr. Thomas moved to accept the above list as read and outlined.  
Motion seconded by Dr. Fleming.  
Motion adopted by a 3-0 vote.

**OPENING AND READING OF BIDS ON: None**

**REPORTS AND REQUESTS FROM:**

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  
IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING  
TO APPLY FOR THE STATE  
HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM  
GRANT

Kalee Ziots, Deputy Director EMA, 4714 Lathrop St., South Bend.  
The amount of this grant is \$11000.00 which will be utilized to convert three of the existing outdoor warning system sirens to the AC/DC conversion.

Mr. Thomas moved to accept the above request as read and outlined.

Motion seconded by Dr. Fleming.  
 Motion adopted by a 3-0 vote.

**COMMISSIONERS**

**A)  
 IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING  
 THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DOCKETS**

Mr. Thomas moved to accept the Accounts Payable Docket as read and outlined.  
 Motion seconded by Dr. Fleming.  
 Motion adopted by a 3-0 vote.

**B)  
 IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING  
 THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Permission was requested to approve the following consent agenda:

<b>Settlement Request</b>	
<b>Department</b>	<b>Description</b>

<b>Surplus Requests</b>	
<b>Department</b>	<b>Description</b>
Probate Court	2000 Chrysler 300M

<b>Travel Requests</b>		
<b>Department</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Cost Estimate</b>
County Assessor	Indianapolis, IN / January 20-23, 2015	\$876.00
County Clerk	Indianapolis, IN / January 8-9, 2015 various dates for testimony at the General Assembly	\$126.90 mileage plus expenses
Penn Township Assessor	Indianapolis, IN / January 20-23, 2015	\$1,923.60
Probate Court	New Castle, IN / January 13-14, 2015	\$407.20
Prosecuting Attorney	Indianapolis, IN / February 4-5, 2015	\$220.73

Motion was made by Mr. Thomas to accept the consent Agenda.  
 Motion seconded by Dr. Fleming.  
 Motion adopted by a 3-0 vote.

**C)  
 IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING  
 OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING  
 POINT CONSOLIDATION PROJECT  
 BID PACKAGE 3: AGREEMENT  
 WITH NEW WORLD SYSTEMS FOR  
 CAD SYSTEMS COMMUNICATION  
 AND TECHNOLOGY**

Mr. Thomas makes a motion to table the above request as read and outlined.  
 Motion seconded by Dr. Fleming.  
 Motion adopted by a 3-0 vote.

**D)  
 IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING  
 OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH  
 THE CITY OF SOUTH BEND ON**

BEHALF OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY  
COMMUNICATIONS CONSORTIUM

This is a lease agreement between St. Joseph County and the City of South Bend. We are currently leasing space at their dispatch center as we work on the new dispatch facility. The amount is a little more than \$24000.00.

Counsel advises that the lease agreement is on behalf of the Public Safety Communications Consortium and is will be paid by the County as an expense of the Consortium so it will be factored through the reimbursement agreement. I believe the rent to be fair. Work has been going well.

Mr. Thomas moved to accept the above request as read and outlined.  
Motion seconded by Dr. Fleming.  
Motion adopted by a 3-0 vote.

**E)**  
IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING  
OF SURETY BONDS FOR  
ELECTED OFFICIALS

Counsel states that pursuant to Indiana law the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners must approve and review surety bonds for elected officials, including the Clerk, Auditor, and Sheriff of St. Joseph County. Deputy County Attorney Peter Agostino has worked with the elected officials and our Counties insurance consultant to make sure that the appropriate surety is in place and consistent with Indiana law.

Mr. Thomas moved to accept the above request as read and outlined.  
Motion seconded by Dr. Fleming.  
Motion adopted by a 3-0 vote.

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS:**

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL  
OF A CONDITIONAL GIFT  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN ST.  
JOSEPH COUNTY AND THE  
CLAY TOWNSHIP BENEFIT TRUST  
FOR THE LASALLE TRAIL  
EXTENSION

The Clay Township Benefit Trust will contribute \$141000.00 for the design and construction of the trail phases.

Mike Dobson, 52095 Iron Forge Dr.

Mr. Dobson says he is one of the trustees of the Clay Township Benefit Trust. The trust was put together for direct benefit for projects that would benefit the Clay township residents. Originally the money came from a source of funding that was near 35 years old looking for a reason to give the money to the township itself. A decision was made by the trustees to create a trust. That trust helped fund the Juniper Trail. The trust now would like to put money toward the LaSalle Trail Extension. The conditional gift trust amount of \$141000.00 we hope will be substantial for the 20% of the 80% funding needed to get this trail done in a timely basis. The agreement does spell that out in its entirety.

Motion made by Mr. Thomas to accept the recommendation of the Department of Public Works in reference to the above agreement as read and outlined.

Motion seconded by Dr. Fleming.

Motion adopted by a 3-0 vote.

Mr. Kostielney thanks Mr. Dobson for all of his work. This is a great example as was the case when the trust gave money to help with the bike lanes on Juniper Road. I believe this money was originally given to help stop annexation in Clay Township 35 or 40 years ago. I think that it is appropriate that we take the benefit from some of the folks from a few

decades ago and help better life for everyone in St. Joe County and Clay Township and the region.

**ADD ON  
IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL  
OF AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
AGREEMENT WITH THE ST. JOSEPH  
COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT  
COMMISSION AND THE ST. JOSEPH  
COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGARDING THE NORTHWEST  
CLEVELAND ROAD ALLOCATION AREA  
AND FUTURE GENERAL SHEET  
METAL WORKS INDUSTRIAL SITE**

The agreement outlines each party's commitments to help foster economic development within our community and promote the approximate \$21 million investment and 200 jobs within the County.

Counsels says that this was also passed by the St. Joseph County Council and was formally adopted by the Redevelopment Commission yesterday.

Motion made by Mr. Thomas to accept the recommendation of the Department of Public Works in reference to the above agreement as read and outlined.

Motion seconded by Dr. Fleming.

Motion adopted by a 3-0 vote.

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE**

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Mr. Kostielney asked for a motion to recess, Mr. Thomas so moved, seconded by Dr. Fleming. Meeting recessed by a 3-0 vote.