

Minutes
February 23, 2017

Commissioners Present: Mark Gazarek, Brian Robertson and Timothy Bechtol.

Also Present: Cindy Land, Heather Pendleton, Sarah Mutchler, Steve Wilson, Philip Johnson, Chris Long, Jim Maurer, Matt Cordonnier, and Doug Jenkins.

Commissioner Gazarek opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the February 21, 2017 meeting were read with Commissioner Gazarek making the motion to approve, Commissioner Robertson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Administrative Assistant presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution #104-17 – Additional Appropriation within the Auditor's Certification and the Commissioner's to Appropriate to Severance (Litter Landing). Commissioner Robertson made the motion to approve, Commissioner Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Robertson made a motion to approve the Warrant Journal, Commissioner Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Lucinda Land presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #105-17 – Resolution authorizing a contract with the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) for calendar year 2017. No changes from the prior year will be made. Commissioner Robertson made the motion to approve, Commissioner Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #106-17- Resolution authorizing Hancock County Commissioners acceptance and approval of the NCC-ET Loan obligation settlement agreement with the Hancock County RLF Board. Commissioner Robertson stated that if there is not a unanimous support then this will go into default and the county will receive nothing. Commissioner Robertson made the motion to approve, Commissioner Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Commissioner Gazarek wanted to publically thank Matt Cordonnier and Tim Mayle for their work on this as this agreement guarantees that this property will be maintained and will not set in the middle of town as a vacant industrial building.

Resolution #107-17- Resolution authorizing HOME written agreements for private rehabilitation and new construction under the CHIP FY 2016 pursuant to the recommendation of WSOS Community Action Commission Inc. Each of the rehabilitations under HOME need to have a separate agreement with the home owners. This resolution will be a onetime approval that authorizes any one of the commissioners to sign each contract for approval as they are received. The home owners' contracts will be sent with a cover letter from WSOS. It is estimated there will be 13 to 16 contracts during CHIP 2016 grant. Commissioner Robertson made the motion to approve, Commissioner Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Cindy Land requested an executive session to discuss real estate acquisition.

Phil Johnson requested an executive session to discuss potential litigation.

Chris Long reported where his staff is working for the day.

Matt Cordonnier said that Phil Riegle had served as a member of the Tax Incentive Review Council (TIRC) and they need a new county commissioner to be a representative. This is a once a year meeting and will be on March 15, 2017. Commissioner Bechtol volunteered for this position and said that he would attend the March 15th meeting. Matt will be getting the information to Commissioner Bechtol.

Steve Wilson had nothing to report.

Reports

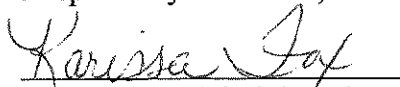
Commissioner Robertson reported that he met with Stantec last week to learn there was going to be a presentation this week. He also attended an editorial review from Stantec along with the Mayor. He also attended the public update by Stantec on 2/22/17. He gave credit to the presentation and the forum was very understandable. Commissioner Robertson also spoke to Chris Oaks this morning for public updates.

Commissioner Bechtol reported that he also attended the Stantec presentation last night. And he is encouraging elected officials to call it "Hancock County Flood Risk Reduction Program." He also feels this is a positive step forward.

Commissioner Gazarek also attended the Stantec presentation last night and wanted to publically thank Scott Peyton for speaking clearly and being understandable. Commissioner Gazarek feels this update will give opportunities to improve the Blanchard River immediately and see progress.

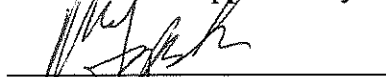
At 9:49 a.m. Commissioner Gazarek made a motion to go into executive session. Commissioner Bechtol seconded. A roll call was taken and resulted as follows: Commissioner Gazarek, yes; Commissioner Robertson, yes; Commissioner Bechtol, yes. At 10:30 Commissioner Gazarek made a motion to come out of executive session with no action taken. Commissioner Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Karissa Fox, Administrative Assistant

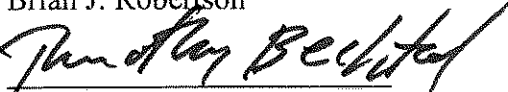
Reviewed and approved by:



Mark D. Gazarek



Brian J. Robertson



Timothy K. Bechtol