

MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
801 City-County Building
200 E. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date and Time Thursday, April 20, 2006; 9:09 AM

Meeting Location: Room 801 City-County Building

Attendees: Joan Romeril, President; Mike Rodman, Vice-President; Marty Womacks, Secretary; Tavonna Harris, Corporation Counsel; Doug Brown, Capital Improvement Board, Mike Wells, Indianapolis Airport Authority, Rosie Butler, Children's Guardian Home, Terry Nelson, Helen Hartsock, Auditor's Office

Call to Order: Joan Romeril called the meeting to order at 9:09 AM.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Rodman moved to approve the minutes from the March 16, 2006 meeting. Ms. Womacks seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence: Ms. Womacks stated there was no correspondence requiring action.

Response to Public Hearing: Ms. Womacks moved to approve the properties for disposal that had been heard at the Public Hearing. Mr. Rodman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

County-Owned Property: Mr. Rodman reported that the March 29, 2006 Expedited Tax Sale was very successful. 148 properties were sold for a total amount of \$495,518.35. Mike noted that there was no action taken by the Council concerning the Kitley property and the property at 3252 Sutherland Ave.

 Ms. Tolin presented a list of surplus properties for the April 21, 2006 auction and asked the Board for approval of the list. Ms. Womacks moved to approve. Mr. Rodman seconded. Motion passed.

Capital Improvement Board: Mr. Doug Brown thanked the Commissioners for his appointment to (CIB) serve on the Capital Improvement Board. Mr. Brown updated the Commissioners on the recent activities involving the CIB. He noted the new stadium will be owned by the County once the bonds are paid off. He indicated there had been a lot of cooperation between the CIB and the State Building Authority.

 Ms. Womacks asked about the status of the issue with the N.K. Hurst Co. Mr. Brown noted that an action under eminent domain statute had been filed. However, there were ongoing discussions to resolve the issue with the State responsible for concluding any agreement.

 Ms. Romeril asked about any risk for taxpayers to pay off the bonds. Mr. Brown indicated no.

 Mr. Brown responded to a question from Mr. Rodman about other activities of the CIB. Doug noted that the primary focus was sports, entertainment and tourism activities. Also, there were initiatives related to the arts.

Indianapolis Airport Authority Mr. Mike Wells discussed several items in updating the Commissioners

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on the activities of the Airport Authority. He mentioned the airport project was on target to be completed and scheduled to open in Fall of 2008. The new Tower was scheduled to open April 29th. Bids on the project are practically complete and on budget with no taxpayer dollars. Mike noted that airport activity was up with the larger use of regional jets. They are expecting Federal Express to expand its operations. He indicated the Mayor wants to put more property back on the tax roles along Washington Street which in turn would help Wayne Township. The Authority won a lawsuit over a noise issue.

Mr. Wells responded to Ms. Womacks inquiry about surveying customers to find out where they have traveled from and to. He indicated they do perform surveys. Ms. Romeril asked about the loss of ATA flights. Mike believed that Air Tran would pick up some of the flights.

Mr. Rodman mentioned Jerry Wise. He complemented Mr. Wise for his presentation on behalf of the Authority at a recent Board of Finance meeting.

Guardian Home:

Ms. Rose Butler gave her quarterly report for the Guardian Home. She handed out the report and highlighted several items. Aramark began providing food service in January 2006. IUMG was managing the medical program with Mid-Town assisting with mental health services. MOU with Department of Child Services (DCS) is at DCS for approval. Jody Tilford, from DPW, updated CPR training for the staff. Rose noted that there were more special needs children being brought in to the Home.

Finally, Ms. Butler asked the Commissioners to support setting up an advisory group with representatives from Marion Superior Court, DCS and others. Mr. Rodman made the motion to support setting up the advisory group. Ms. Womacks seconded the motion which was approved. Rose was asked to bring back more details which would include requirements and functions of the group.

There was a brief discussion about the type of files at the Guardian Home and how they are stored. Rose was advised to utilize the Marion County Records Commission for permission to destroy any records no longer required to be maintained by law. Also, Rose noted the Allowance Fund report.

Old Business:

Terry Nelson reviewed the Professional Service Agreement to contract with Ms. Trina Saunders Ray to perform the functions of the Trustee Appeal Hearing Officer. He noted that payment could not be processed until the agreement is signed by all parties and purchasing procedures are completed. Ms. Womacks moved to approve the agreement. Mr. Rodman seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Adjournment:

With no further business before the board, Ms. Romeril adjourned the meeting at 10:34 AM.

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Joan Romeril, President

Attest:

Michael W. Rodman, Vice-President

Martha A. Womacks, Secretary