

SECOND REGULAR MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OCTOBER 21, 2019

The second regular meeting of the Dubois County Commissioners was held in the Commissioners / Council Room of the Courthouse Annex in Jasper, Indiana, beginning at 8:30 a.m. (EST) on October 21, 2019. Present were Commissioners Chad A. Blessinger, Elmer Brames, and Nick Hostetter. Also present were County Auditor Sandra L. Morton, Highway Supervisor Steven L. Berg, Highway Engineer Brent Wendholt, County Surveyor Ken Brosmer and County Attorney Gregory S. Schnarr. A quorum was declared present and the meeting was opened for business by President Blessinger. Minutes of the October 7, 2019 meeting of the Commissioners were approved as presented. Claims against the County were examined and those found to be just, due and owing were allowed and those found to be not due and owing were disallowed, all as more fully set forth in the Claims and Allowance Docket of the County.

RE: HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Highway Supervisor Steve Berg presented the following report of Highway projects:

Final Road Marker Replacement Project – Quotes for road signs were received:

Hall Signs	\$2,810.65	Markers	\$1,822.90	Signs	=	\$4,633.55
Michael Todd	\$2,693.64	Markers	\$2,718.50	Signs	=	\$5,412.14
Stello	N/A	Markers	\$1,925.00	Signs	=	\$1,925.00

A motion was made to accept the quote from Hall Signs at a cost of \$4,633.55. The motion was seconded and carried.

Open Position Interviews – Applications for the road maintenance driver in District #2 are being received. The interview committee will be holding interviews.

Trash Compactor Meeting – A representative from Advance Disposal will meet to discuss preparation and costs for the installation of a compactor at Ferdinand.

Transfer of Appropriations – A transfer of appropriations in the Solid Waste Sticker fund from Highway Reimbursement to Dumpster Sites in the amount of \$5,100 was requested. A motion was made to approve the request, was duly seconded and carried.

Road Usage Agreement – A request and signed agreement for the use of County roads with loads of excess weight was received from Weddle Brothers during the construction of the Airport Authority Runway Extension Project. The Agreement and Bond insures the use on County Road 900 South and Airport road, all east of US 231 and County Road 200 West, north of County Road 900 South. The specified bond amount is \$165,510. A motion was made to approve the project road bond, was seconded and carried.

RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER'S REPORT

Highway Engineer Brent Wendholt presented the following report of Highway projects:

Countywide Bridge Inspection (Bridge #255) - An additional appropriation in the amount of \$4,000 for the Bridge Inspections to cover the cost of the initial inspection of Bridge #255 will be taken to the County Council. American Structure Point has 90 days to inspect the bridge once the construction is complete. A motion was made to approve the request, was duly seconded and carried.

Ferdinand Road East (Lowering Speed Limit) - Nothing to report.

Unofficial Detour on Local Roads (Agreement with INDOT) - INDOT will be doing a Bridge Deck Overlay on S.R. 64. INDOT understands that local residents will be utilizing local County Roads to detour around the project and agree that this increase in traffic could cause damage to the road. The detour roads used are as follows; C.R. 875 West and C.R. 450 South. A motion was made to approve the unofficial detour, was seconded and carried.

City of Huntingburg Railroad Overpass Project - an invoice was received from the City of Huntingburg in the amount of \$441.35. After review of the available funding in the line item, only \$107.15 remains. A recommendation was made to pay the total amount due. A motion was made to approve the additional expense, was seconded and carried.

Huntingburg Conservation Club Lake Dam / 100 West - The roadway has been cut to grade and the rock is being hauled in this week. Everything is moving smoothly, as long as the weather keeps cooperating.

RE: FAIR LANE DEDICATION

Phil Buehler, Brosmer Land Surveying, appeared to request a 60-foot right of way dedication of property owned by Glen and July Englert to be known as Fair Lane in Bainbridge Township. A motion was made to approve the request, was seconded and carried.

RE: GIESLER'S FIRST ADDITION, BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP

Phil Buehler, Brosmer Land Surveying, appeared to request approval for the Giesler's First Addition plat in Bainbridge Township. A motion to approve the subdivision was made, seconded and carried.

RE: EMPLOYEE PAID TIME OFF

Commissioner Elmer Brames presented an update on the proposed policy with changes from the last meeting. Discussion was held on updates and alterations to the policy. The issue will continue to be updated and presented at future meetings.

RE: JUSTICE STUDY

The Proposals for the Justice Study were discussed.

Construction Manager – Shireman Construction was chosen by each of the Commissioners. A motion to proceed with negotiations with Shireman Construction was made, seconded and carried unanimously.

Architect/Engineering Firm – RQAW was chosen by each of the Commissioners. A motion to proceed with negotiations with RQAW was made, seconded and carried unanimously.

RE: ORDINANCE CODIFICATION

A contract with AM Legal was presented but will require changes per legal representation. A revised contract will be brought to a future meeting.

RE: FIREARMS SAFETY ORDINANCE 2019-07 - SECOND READING

A motion was made to read the ordinance by title only, was seconded and carried unanimously. Ordinance 2019-07 was presented for a second time. A motion was made to approve Ordinance 2019-07, was seconded and carried 2-1. Brames was the dissenting vote.

*** See Ordinance 2019-07***

RE: PTABOA APPOINTMENT

Discussion was held on possible candidates to appoint.

RE: TITLE IV-D CHILD SUPPORT PROSECUTOR OFFICE LEASE

Discussion was held on the 2020 Lease for the Title IV-D Prosecutor office. Consensus was to remain in the current location and the County Attorney was directed to prepare the lease to be approved at a future meeting.

RE: ENERGY CONSERVATION PRESENTATION

Rick Anderson, Business Development of Johnson Melloh Solutions, provided a presentation on energy conservation for County properties. JMS would review the current County utilities.

A motion was made to approve a Release for utility providers to provide utility invoices, be prepared and signed by the Commissioner president, was seconded and carried unanimously.

RE: RECORD LIBRARIAN

Human Resource Generalist J. Markie Rhodes, Clerk Amy Kippenbrock, and Recorder Jackie McPherron appeared to recommend hiring Cynthia Fehribach as the new Record Librarian. A motion was made to approve the recommendation pending completion of administrative processes, was seconded and carried.

Rosie Stewart, current Librarian, was recognized for receiving the 2019 German Heritage Award.

RE: HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOOD ORDINANCE 2016-05

Christina Pierini, Food Safety Specialist, appeared to recommend updates to Food Ordinance 2016-05. Consensus was to work with legal counsel and present at the next meeting.

RE: COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS MAINTENANCE SHED

Jerry Gramelspacher, Community Corrections Maintenance, requested approval to replace the current maintenance shed at an estimated cost of \$3,000. A motion was made to approve replacing the shed pending County Council funding. The motion was seconded and carried.

RE: CAIRSTONE – CLINIC UPDATE

Mark Shrack and Angie Pfaff, Cairnstone, presented information on a Near Site Clinic opportunity. Activate and Memorial Hospital services were compared. Discussion was held on exploring the clinic options. A steering committee will be set up to meet with other businesses also interested to increase the number of covered lives.

RE: SURPLUS PRINTER

Auditor Morton presented a printer to be declared surplus and be destroyed. A motion was made to approve the request, was seconded and carried.

RE: FUTURE MEETING

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on November 4, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.