

REGULAR MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

NOVEMBER 2, 2020

The regular meeting of the Dubois County Commissioners was held in the Commissioners / Council Room of the Courthouse Annex in Jasper, Indiana, beginning at 8:00 a.m. (EST) on November 2, 2020. Present were Commissioners Chad A. Blessinger, Nick Hostetter and Elmer Brames. Also present were County Auditor Sandra L. Morton, Highway Supervisor Steven L. Berg, Highway Engineer Brent Wendholt, 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 19, 2020 meeting of the Commissioners were approved as presented. Incomes for the month of October were as follows: Recorder \$31,629.45; Health Department - N/A; Auditor \$16.00; Clerk \$32,993.16. 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: LOCAL EMERGENCY DISASTER DECLARATION

A Declaration to extend the current Commissioners' Emergency Declarations dated March 17, 2020; March 23, 2020; April 6, 2020; May 4, 2020; June 1, 2020; June 15, 2020; July 6, 2020; August 3, 2020; August 17, 2020; September 8, 2020; October 5, 2020; was presented to remain in effect at this time and will expire on December 7, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. ET, but its effectiveness may be shortened or extended by act of the Commissioners. A motion was made to approve the Extension, was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

See Exhibit A – Local Disaster Emergency Declaration Extension

RE: HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

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

Sun Energy Mine Release – All punch list items have been completed, therefore it was recommended to approve the termination of the Road Usage Agreement #030419 and release the Bond effective today. A motion was made to approve the termination, was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

Sanitation Floater Hire – Interviews were conducted and recommendations to hire James Leistner and Dwight Caraway as sanitation floaters. A motion was made to approve the recommendations pending administrative processes, was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

Request for Co-op Chip Seal – A request was received by Dennis "Bucket" Mehringer to chip seal CR 425 North which is a dead-end road running west from CR 550 West. The road terminates on his property with no intentions for the road to go beyond its current location. Mehringer is willing to dedicate right of way along the road which will match previous dedications provided by two homeowners who live there now. One problem exists with the landowner on the far east side who will not give right of way or ground for an improvement. Mehringer is willing to Co-op the improvement and pay for all material costs related to the upgrade. A discussion was held. Without the full right of way, no action was taken. Berg will continue discussions with the landowners.

RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER'S REPORT

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

Bridge #143 – The old bridge and abutments have been removed. The piles will be set soon for the new bridge.

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Dubois County / INDOT Road Mileage Discrepancies – Now that time permits, Wendholt has started working on the road mileage discrepancies again.

RE: PETITION TO VACATE – TOWN OF MENTOR SIXTH STREET

Arthur C. Nordhoff, Jr., representing the sole adjacent property owner, presented a Petition to Vacate Part of Dedicated Sixth Street, in Landiss Addition to the Town of Mentor, Indiana, Jefferson Township. Proper notice was given by publication. The described portion of the dedicated street has never been developed and is of no essential public purpose. Ordinance 2020-09 was presented. A motion was made to adopt Ordinance 2020-09, was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

See Exhibit B – Ordinance 2020-09

RE: COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Commissioner Blessinger provided information on the Community Connections for People with Disabilities Grant. The OCRA grant is available to work with SIRS to serve residents with disabilities. There is no match to the grant which focuses on technology.

RE: REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT

County Attorney Schnarr provided information on the final contract with Clark-Dietz. When finalized, approval was given to Blessinger to sign the documents. A motion was made to approve the two contracts: On-Call Professional Services for \$10,000 and Dubois County Regional Sewer District Study for \$82,500. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

RE: AIRPORT AUTHORITY LOAN

A short discussion was held on the loan approved by the County Council with the Airport Authority for up to \$1,500,000 at an interest rate of .5% due and payable by November 15, 2022.

RE: MATRIX INTEGRATION MANAGED SERVICES CONTRACT

Rob Wildman, VP of Professional Services, was present to answer questions on the Managed Services contract presented at the previous meeting. It was decided to proceed with Option 2 for a one-year contract at a cost of \$25,785 per quarter. Contracts will be reviewed by the County Attorney.

RE: TAX SALE UNSOLD PROPERTIES

A list of unsold properties was reviewed by the Commissioners for consideration to be taken into the County inventory. It was decided to proceed working with INDOT and the Hunchman property in Jackson Township which is a road right of way. All other properties will not be considered at this time.

RE: HEALTH DEPARTMENT 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

Administrative Director Shawn Werner presented the 2019 Annual Report for the Health Department.

RE: HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Administrative Director Werner provided information on the denial of the Computer Information Technology Grant.

RE: HEALTH DEPARTMENT CANOPY QUOTES

It being the advertised time, quotes were received for the construction of a Drive-thru Canopy at the Health Department as follows:

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	<u>Base Bid</u>	<u>Alternate Quote A-1</u>
Krempp Construction, Inc.	\$149,700.00	\$39,000.00
Seufert Construction & Supply Company	\$148,430.00	\$32,500.00

Brett Schipp, Universal Design, reviewed the quotes and recommended awarding the contract to Seufert Construction Base Bid of \$148,430. A motion was made to accept the low base quote from Seufert Construction, was duly seconded and carried unanimously. A motion was made to allow the Commissioner President permission to sign the building permit and Contract for the project. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RE: RADIUS REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Radius Regional Economic Development Corporation is seeking a board member from Dubois County.

RE: 2022 HEALTH SCREENING DATES

HR Generalist Markie Rhodes presented dates for Employee Health Screenings to be held in June 2021 for the 2022 Health Insurance Benefits.

RE: EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - LIFESPRING

HR Generalist Markie Rhodes presented the contract with LifeSpring for 2021. An increase from \$1.50 per member per month to \$2.93 per member per month was noted. Rhodes has been in negotiations with LifeSpring for another proposal to reduce costs.

RE: FUTURE MEETING

The next meeting will be held on November 16, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. in the Commissioners/Council Room of the Courthouse Annex.