

SECOND REGULAR MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

September 20, 2021

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 8:00 a.m. (EST) on September 20, 2021. Present were Commissioners Chad A. Blessinger, Nick Hostetter and Elmer Brames. Also present were County Auditor Sandra L. Morton, Highway Supervisor Steve Berg and County Attorney Gregory S. Schnarr. A quorum was declared present and the meeting was opened for business by President Blessinger.

Minutes of the September 7, 2021 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:

CR 720 East Improvement Status – The project is complete and was a success. Since the inception of the Improvement Plan in 2017, Three gravel roads: CR 450 South in Patoka Township, CR 800 West in Patoka and Madison Townships, and CR 720 East in Hall Township which totals 5.23 miles of improvements. Next in the program is CR 775 West in Cass and CR 550 West in Madison Township. Without a substantial increase in material costs for 2022, these can both be completed next year. All chip seal work is finished for the season.

Sanitation Driver Replacement – After successfully completing the preemployment screening, Berg recommended the hiring of Keith Kluesner from Dubois as the new Sanitation Driver/Foreman replacement to begin on Monday, September 27, 2021. A motion was made to approve the recommendation, was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

Dubois Flooding – A concern was raised on the flooding and drainage in Dubois due to a recent storm. Wendholt is working with a consultant and will report at a future meeting.

RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER'S REPORT

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

HAC Paving Change Order – With the three Community Crossing Grant Roads complete, we have change orders for a net decrease of \$1,529.77.

Jasper-Dubois Road	\$ 753.38 Increase
Division Road	\$1,233.03 Decrease
575 East	\$1,050.12 Decrease

Each individual project will have its own Change Order, but there will be one invoice for all three projects since they were bid as one and they were awarded by INDOT as one project. A motion was made to approve the decrease, was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

Bridge Crew Aluminum Forms – Quotes were received from Western Forms for a complete set of what is needed to properly complete the work the Bridge Crew performs. The quote is in the amount of \$48,772.00. Wendholt requested permission to proceed with ordering forms. He will request an additional appropriation of \$60,000 from Cum Bridge Funds for tools and equipment at the next County Council meeting. A motion was made to approve the request pending approval by the County Council, was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

2021 HAC Paving Projects - An update was given on the following:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Road</u>	<u>C&R Construction, Inc.</u>
21-01	Jasper-Dubois Road	Completed on 8-23-2021
21-02	Division Road	Completed on 8-27-2021
21-03	575 East	Completed on 8-5-2021
21-09	Ellsworth Road	Completed on 8-12-2021
21-10	420 S, 170 E, 430 S	Completed on 9-15-2021
21-11	630 S, 400 W	Started on 9-16-2021
		<u>Calcar Paving</u>
21-07	600 West	Scheduled for 9-27-2021
		<u>E&B Paving Inc.</u>
21-08	Ackerman Road	Scheduled for 9-20-2021

RE: COMPUTER SERVICES

President Blessinger and Auditor Morton participated in a virtual meeting with Accent Consulting, a computer company based in Lafayette, Indiana that would like to provide a quote for the IT managed services.

RE: JAIL CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Commissioner Blessinger provided an update on the jail construction progress.

RE: CLIMATE LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Mark Nowotarski presented information from the Climate Leadership Summit held at the University of Evansville in Evansville, Indiana.

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RE: HEALTH INSURANCE – 2022 COBRA RATES

Human Resources Generalist Markie Rhodes presented the proposed 2022 monthly COBRA rates as follows:

	<u>Medical</u>	<u>Dental</u>	<u>Vision</u>
Employee	\$ 888.15	\$ 27.75	\$10.55
Employee + 1	\$1,696.79	\$ 57.05	\$16.11
Family	\$2,142.69	\$107.08	\$28.88
Retiree Rates – Note Medical save 2% charge			
Employee	\$ 870.74	\$ 27.75	\$10.55
Employee + 1	\$1,663.52	\$ 57.05	\$16.11
Family	\$2,100.68	\$107.08	\$28.88

A motion was made to approve the rates as presented, was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

RE: STEELE BENEFITS

Human Resources Generalist Markie Rhodes requested permission to begin services with Steele Benefits in 2022. The annual cost of the program is \$10,700. AFLAC will cover the initial program setup cost. A motion was made to approve the request, was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

RE: 2022 WELLNESS

Human Resources Generalist Markie Rhodes presented the 2022 Wellness Plan as proposed by the Wellness Committee.

Wellness: Deductible	\$ 500 Individual	\$ 750 Family
Max Out of Pocket	\$1,250 Individual	\$2,500 Family

Employee Contributions (2 pay checks per month)

Employee Only	\$12.50	Employee +1	\$29.16	Family	\$31.25
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Employee must participate in the annual Health Screening in June.

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Employee must meet 3 of 5 screening criteria – BMI, Glucose, Cholesterol, Tobacco, Blood Pressure.

No Biometric changes were made from 2021.

BMI	18.5 – 29.9
Blood Pressure	≤139/89
Cholesterol	≤239
Tobacco	Free for the past 6 months, including e-cigarettes
Glucose	<100

Employee must participate in monthly wellness goal checks: one per quarter is required.

A motion was made to approve the plan as presented, was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

RE: MATRIX INTEGRATION AGREEMENT

Ron Betz, Matrix Integration, presented the Managed Services Agreement for December 1, 2021 – November 30, 2022. A total of 181 Users at \$32.50 per month, 34 Servers at \$50 per month, and 16 Recurring Engineering Hours at \$150 per month for a total quarterly payment of \$29,947.50. The Agreement reflects a 36 month term. The Agreement was taken under advisement.

RE: HOOSIERS ENDURING LEGACY PROGRAM – RESOLUTION 2021-31

Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission Director Lisa Gehlhausen was in attendance to discuss the HELP program. She and Commissioner Blessinger have worked with Jasper Mayor Vonderheide to collaborate on the program. Resolution 2021-31 was presented for approval. A motion was made to approve the Resolution, was seconded and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-31

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF DUBOIS COUNTY, INDIANA AUTHORIZING APPLICATION SUBMISSION AND LOCAL MATCH
COMMITMENT**

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DUBOIS COUNTY, INDIANA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE HOOSIER ENDURING LEGACY PROGRAM (HELP) GRANT APPLICATION TO THE INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND RURAL AFFAIRS AND ADDRESSING RELATED MATTERS

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WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Dubois County, Indiana recognizes the need to stimulate growth and to maintain a sound economy within its corporate limits: and

WHEREAS, The Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, authorizes the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs to provide grants to local units of government to meet the economic, housing and community development needs; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Dubois County, Indiana that:

1. The President is authorized to prepare and submit an application for grant funding to address the completion of a Hoosier Enduring Legacy Program HELP program and to execute and administer a resultant grant including requisite general administration and project management, contracts and agreements pursuant to regulations of the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

2. The Board of Commissioners of Dubois County, Indiana, hereby commits the requisite local funds in the amount of no less than \$20,000 towards the hiring of a Community Coordinator for said program, such commitment is contingent upon receipt of CDBG funding from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs.

3. The Board of Commissioners of Dubois County, Indiana also commits 30% of their Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds in the amount of \$2,490,290 towards the Hoosier Enduring Legacy Program HELP program, such commitment to be contingent upon receipt of CDBG funding from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs.

Adopted this 20th day of September, 2021.

RE: DUBOIS COUNTY PARK

Christine Prior, Dubois County Park Board President, presented information on the Dubois County Park improvements and the Land & Water Grant. The Park Board is seeking funding to rebid the project which previously was bid and came in over budget. Quality of Life/Place is a large part of the American Rescue Plan Act and she is seeking a commitment from the County in the amount of \$400,000. Following discussion, a motion was made to approve the use of up to \$350,000 of the ARP funds for the Park project, was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

RE: BUCK SHOALS SUBDIVISION

Corey Bettag, Cash Waggoner & Associates, and John Siebert, representing Buck Shoals, Inc., appeared to request a 30' right of way for the proposed subdivision. Buck Shoals, Inc. is the current landowner that leases the land to individuals; however, would like to sell the land to the current lessee. Following discussion, concerns were raised that the road would not be maintained by the County and the sanitation issues need to be discussed with the Health Department. Consensus was to have the County Engineer and Health Department review and return to the next meeting.

RE: PATOKA HILLS SUBDIVISION – VOEGERL FAMILY SUBDIVISION

Corey Bettag, Cash Waggoner & Associates requested the vacation of the Voegerl Family Subdivision along with the dedicated 60' right of way and the approval of the Patoka Hills Subdivision in Harbison Township. Consensus was to return to the next meeting with the proper plats.

RE: ELECTION PRECINCTING

Clerk Amy Kippenbrock presented the precinct maps with no expected changes. The State will approve the Congressional Districts, Indiana Senate Districts, and Indiana House of Representative District maps approximately October 1, 2021. There will be two annexation areas in Jasper that will move into the municipal areas. Maps will be made available for the Commissioners to review.

RE: CAPITAL ASSETS

Due to a change in the State Board of Accounts requirements on the Capital Asset Inventory, County Attorney Greg Schnarr presented an Ordinance to establish an asset Capitalization Policy for Dubois County. The Ordinance was taken under advisement.

RE: COVID-19 MEMORIAL

A statement from the COVID-19 Committee was read. The fundraising efforts were temporarily paused at this time. The committee will continue to develop the messaging that will be placed on the memorial and the supporting images to be etched.

RE: JASPER DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROJECT

The current plans were reviewed and discussed. Commissioner Brames agreed to be the initial point of contact on the committee.

RE: FUTURE MEETING

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The next regular meeting will be held on October 4, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. in the Commissioners/Council Room of the Courthouse Annex.