

CONTINUED MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

July 20, 2009

The continued monthly meeting of the Dubois County Commissioners was held at the Courthouse Annex in Jasper, Indiana, beginning at 9:00 a.m. (EST) on July 20, 2009. Present were Commissioners Randall L. Fleck, John G. Burger and Lawrence M. Vollmer. Also present were County Auditor Janet L. Sendelweck, Highway Supervisor Steven L. Berg, Highway Engineer Jason T. Heile, and County Attorney Arthur C. Nordhoff, Jr. A quorum was declared present and the meeting was opened for business by President Fleck. Minutes of the July 6, 2009, meeting of the Commissioners were approved as presented.

RE: GIS

Tony Gray, representing WTH, appeared to discuss the availability of GIS on the County website. He stated that the cost would be \$4500 initial set-up and thereafter \$3600 per year. The system would use map-server, and would include names and addresses. Andy Welsh, representing area real estate agents, appeared to report that a request has been submitted to the regional board for funding. He further stated that their group also requests that subdivision plats be included, at a cost of \$6500 for copying of past plats.

RE: COUNTY ADDRESSES

Tony Gray also discussed input of new roads and addresses into the County computer systems. A procedure is required for data from the various government units to be inputted, and for numbers to be fed to 9-1-1 as quickly as possible. Currently, a delay exists due to failure by some entities to furnish data.

RE: 4-H COUNCIL

David Betz, President of the County 4-H Council, appeared to discuss purchase of a new RTV, at a cost of approximately \$8400. The cost will be shared by the 4-H Council and County Park Board. The 4-H Council does not have adequate funds in this budget for the purchase. It was agreed to wait until after the finances of the County Fair are known before a decision is made as to a County contribution for this purchase.

RE: LIBRARY

Kathy Tretter, President of the County Contractual Library Board, appeared to discuss the current progress on the Ferdinand and Dubois Libraries. The Board is requesting to obtain addresses from the Northeast Dubois Townships in order to make appeals for funds for the Dubois Library. The Commissioners authorized the Highway Department to provide an address list to the Library Board.

RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - SUPERVISOR REPORT

Highway Supervisor Berg submitted the following reports involving the Highway Department:

Revisions of annual material bids have been received from Tri County Paving and for J.H. Rudolph, both being price reductions.

Glass Disposal	Glass will be hauled to Evansville for recycling purposes and glass will be stored at former Jasper Landfill site until transported to Evansville.
Weed Ordinance	Proposed Ordinance needs to be further discussed.
CR 875 W Damage	County will send Terry Hoffman a bill for \$234.29 for plow damage to County Road.

RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER REPORT

CR 600 W Bridge	Road closed, abutments installed, needs two weeks to complete
CR 500 W Bridge	Work begin on 8-3-09 on replacement of bridge north of Arrowhead, and will require 4 weeks to complete.

RE: ARRC PROJECT CONTRACT

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the ARRC Contract providing funding for Jasper Dubois Road improvement from SR 164 to SR 545 and for CR 1100 S from US 231 to Industrial Park Road.

RE: ROAD IMPROVEMENT BIDS

It being 10:00 a.m., the time for receipt of bids for the first round of road improvement bids, notice was read and the following bids were opened and read aloud:

	800 W & 300 N #09-01	750 W – 700 W #09-02	Dubois NE #09-03	Portersville W #09-04	Hickory Grove #09-05	Cherry St. & 200 W #09-06
J.H Rudolph	141,511.50	56,525.00	158,436.50	203,674.96	149,109.50	82,515.00
Gohman Asphalt	146,900.00	59,400.00	194,800.00		171,100.00	87,700.00
Tri-County Paving	138,663.85	53,986.95				91,828.00
CalCar			152,039.95		135,357.35	93,457.00
Hunter						
Hughes					173,398.75	
O'Mara	135,361.70	54,842.00			155,365.15	
Strawser				209,481.76		
Engineer's Estimate	166,635.00	64,265.00	209,762.00	240,448.00	118,539.00	104,430.00

The Commissioners took the bids under advisement and submitted the same to the Highway Engineer for review.

RE: ASSESSOR – BUILDING PERMITS

The County Assessor, Gail Gramelspacher, informed the Commissioners that the special session of the Legislature, has delayed property reassessment from July 2009 to July 2010.

The Assessor also discussed with the Commissioners the possible use of building permits within the County in order to find new construction. The permit would be only for notification purposes and would impose a penalty for failure to register. She said that her office would handle the process. The permit would also apply to remodeling.

RE: TREASURER – COLLECTION CONTRACT

Chad Blessinger, County Treasurer, appeared with Randy Warman, a representative of AFCS, to discuss collection of personal property taxes. Under statute, the property tax judgment terminates after 10 years. It was stated that the intent would be to collect 40% of the older accounts currently on record, with a substantially higher percentage for more recent accounts. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the arrangement and Service Agreement.

RE: SMITHVILLE DIGITAL

Andy Brelage of Smithville Digital appeared with Tony Walton to discuss the system of their Company, a portion of which recently was constructed thru Dubois County.

RE: MISDEMEANANT FUNDS

Sheriff Tanner and Community Corrections Director Weisheit appeared to discuss the distribution of the State Misdemeanant Fund which is received annually from the State. The amount is between \$40,000 to \$50,000 per year and has been traditionally received by the Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff and Weisheit each explained to the Commissioners their positions as to requested distribution and use of funds. Sheriff stated that the fund is fully contained in his Budget, and Weisheit stated that he is servicing 60% of the convicted individuals. The Commissioners took the matter under advisement.

RE: NORTHVIEW ESTATES

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the paving of roads in Northview Estates, using funds previously paid into County funds by the developer, Ralph Hopf.

RE: ROAD PAINT ORDER

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the Highway Department to purchase 20 barrels of road paint at a cost of \$10,835.

RE: ROAD IMPROVEMENT BIDS

On recommendation of the Highway Engineer, and on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners awarded project #09-01 to O'Mara Contractor; #09-02 to Tri-County Paving; #09-03 to CalCar; and #09-06 to R.H. Rudolph. The Commissioners took under advisement and delayed decision on projects #09-04 and #09-05, pending receipt of additional information.

RE: BROADBAND TECHNOLOGY OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized sending of a letter to the Broadband Communications Director of the U.S. Department of Commerce, endorsing local broadband access.

RE: ROAD SIGNS

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized placement of curve signs on either side of a 90 degrees curve on Portersville Road at Portersville Road East; and directional signs at the intersection of CR 150 N and CR 600 W.

RE: DOGWOOD ANIMAL CLINIC – CLAIM

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized payment of three claims, each for \$68.45, from Dogwood Animal Clinic, for services rendered to dogs delivered to the Clinic by the Sheriff's Department.

RE: HAYSVILLE STREET CLOSING

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the closing of Park Street, and part of Haysville Road West, in Haysville, on October 11, 2009, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., for activities being held as part of the District meeting of the area fire departments. The fire departments are to install signs for road closings, to be provided by the Highway Department.

RE: FUTURE MEETINGS

As previously set, the regular August meeting of the Commissioners will be held on August 3, 2009, with the continued meeting on August 17, 2009, both meetings to begin at 9:00 a.m., to be held at the Courthouse Annex.