

## CONTINUED MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

January 26, 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 January 26, 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, County Surveyor Kenneth L. Brosmer 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 December, 2008, meetings of the Commissioners were approved as presented.

### **RE: ANDERSON DITCH (ALTAR CREEK)**

Alan Small, a property owner in Madison Township, appeared to request County participation in periodic clearing of Anderson Ditch in Madison Township. The Ditch has been cleaned by the adjacent owners for over 100 years and the County is an adjacent owner. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized participation in the same ratio used in prior years.

### **RE: NICK AND HOLLY'S FIRST ADDITION**

Ken Brosmer appeared to submit a proposed plat for the Nick and Holly's First Addition in the SE quarter of the NE quarter of Section 17-T2s-R3w, consisting of 1.5 acres in Jefferson Township, and having one lot. On motion duly made and seconded, this plat was approved.

### **RE: TYLER TECH-REASSESSMENT CONTRACT**

Gail Gramelspacher, County Assessor, appeared with Mark Folkerts and Brett Bombick of Tyler Technologies, to submit a contract for the 2011 General Reassessment program. Cost of the contract is \$496,400 for the entire term of the contract (through 2011). On motion duly made and seconded, the contract was approved.

### **RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Highway Supervisor Steve Berg submitted a report of the following Highway Department projects:

Portersville Bridge

Daviess County has received proposal and accepted Lechner Inc. bid to do spoil area repair at cost of \$36,655.00. NRCS will pay for 75% of the project. As set forth in prior agreement and on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners agreed that the County would pay half of the remaining cost. The Supervisor reported that the Engineer has signed off on termination of IDEM and USACE permits and forwarded the same to the County Soil and Water Conservation District. The total cost of the project had an overrun of \$360,786.09, mostly caused by flooding and delay problems. Question exists as to corrective work required on concrete mats, and why the Engineer does not have liability for the correction. The overrun should be 75% covered by the federal grant.

### **RE: COUNTY BRIDGE INVENTORY**

The Commissioners reviewed the current County road inventory and additions thereto, including the Haysville Bridge approach, the new Portersville Bridge approach and roadway and Brescher Drive in Madison Township. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners accepted the three new tracts in to the County Highway system and directed that the same be added to the County Road Inventory. The Supervisor is to submit information regarding the abandoned area on SR 162 south of the Bretzville intersection.

### **RE: TRASH NEAR CR 1100 SOUTH**

The Commissioners discussed a complaint involving a dump of building materials on a private road near CR 1100 S.

### **RE: 2009 HOURLY EQUIPMENT RATES**

On recommendation of the Highway Supervisor and on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners adopted the following hourly rates for use of county Highway Department equipment:

Dump Truck	35.00
Dump Truck with Snow Plow	45.00
Dump Truck with Spreader	40.00
Dump Truck with Durapatcher (plus materials)	70.00
Tri-Axle Truck	65.00
Sign Truck with Boom/Bucket	50.00
Grader	50.00
Excavator (Hyundai 200)	70.00
Excavator (Cat 313, Hyundai 130)	60.00
Wheel Loader	45.00
Wheel Loader with Sweeper	55.00
Brushcutter	45.00
Pickup Truck with Sprayer (Chemicals not included)	40.00
Pickup Truck with Paint Striper (Paint and Beads not included)	60.00
Roller	30.00
Bridge Truck with Welder	35.00
Air Compressor	15.00
Air Hammer	5.00
Chain Saw	8.00
Water Pump	8.00

**RE: SANITATION STICKER PURCHASE**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the purchase of 200,000 stickers for use with Solid Waste Trash disposal at a cost of \$3,651.00.

**RE: NIMS ICS 400 TRAINING**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the Highway Supervisor and Assistant to attend the NIMS ICS 400 Training at Leavenworth on February 21 and 22.

**RE: SICK LEAVE BANK**

The Commissioners discussed the initial startup of the Sick Leave Bank. While 35 members initially indicated willingness to join the program, there are additional employees now willing to join the plan, but are prohibited from doing so due to the current 30 day enrollment limitation. On motion duly made and seconded, the enrollment period was extended until 4:00 p.m. on February 15, 2009.

**RE: HEALTH DEPARTMENT-TRAINING**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the County Health Department to close for one hour per day for training purpose ten times during 2009.

**RE: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Mary Miller and Gary Fritz of County Emergency Management appeared to explain a survey being conducted by Office of Community and Rural Affairs to determine long-term disaster recovery projects which may be funded using HUD Community Development Block Grant funds. Applications have been requested by County EM and a number has been submitted. A selection of projects will be made at the State level based on "need" rather than "want". Only storm disaster (2008) Counties are eligible for funding. The Commissioners reviewed those County projects which might be eligible.

**RE: TOURISM SIGNS**

Jeff Huls, representing Dubois County Tourism, appeared to request authority to place a tourism sign on the County Highway Garage site. Samples of signs were presented and the specific site was reviewed. The Highway Supervisor will review the site and a copy of proposed base will be submitted.

**RE: EMERGENCY "CODE RED" NETWORK**

Sheriff Tanner, Jim Jones and Janice Love appeared to discuss a "Code Red" system for the County Communications network. The system is a computerized telephone system for making calls when emergency and warning conditions exist. Also included could be weather warnings based on National Weather Service alerts on a subscription basis. The fee to the County would be based on population, with a minimum of \$13,000 per year. In the area, only Warrick County is participating. Additional information is to be submitted.

**RE: TEMPORARY FULL-TIME SHERIFF DEPUTY**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the Sheriff to employ a temporary full-time Deputy to fill in temporarily for a current Deputy who has been absent on employment-related disability leave for over one year.

**RE: CIRCUIT COURT PROBATION OFFICER**

Judge Weikert appeared to advise that the Circuit Court Probation Officer will retire on February 1, 2009, and that he is proposing a replacement who has three years' prior experience. The Judge requests that the individual be employed at three years' experience credit at a wage of \$39,170 per year. Current employee Cindy Wilmes will become Chief Probation Officer at the State mandated supplemental salary of \$5,000.00. On Motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved employment of the replacement probation officer, giving three years' experience credit and a salary of \$39,170, subject to County Council approval. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners made permanent the authority for a part-time Security Officer for the Circuit Court, at a wage of \$14.00 per hour with hours set by the Court, without full-time benefits, subject to Council approval.

**RE: HAYSVILLE BRIDGE**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved a Memorandum of Agreement with INDOT accepting a transfer to the County of the abandoned US 231 access to the Old Haysville White River Bridge, now removed.

**RE: MICROVOTE SOFTWARE AGREEMENT**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved renewal of the software maintenance (license) agreement with MicroVote General Corporation for the County voting equipment, at a cost of \$9,500.00.

**RE: HUNTINGBURG COMMON WAGE COMMITTEE- CR 400 W PROJECT**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners appointed Mona Jung as County representative to the Huntingburg Common Wage Committee for the 400 W road improvement project, with Dave Jung, but if not available, Gerald Apple, serving as secondary appointee.

**RE: DOGWOOD ANIMAL CLINIC CLAIM**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized payment of a claim from Dogwood Animal Clinic for \$68.45 for services rendered for one dog delivered to the clinic by the Sheriff's Department.

**RE: COURTHOUSE SECURITY OFFICER**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners employed Michael E. Shaw as full-time Courthouse Security Officer, replacing recently retired officer Rasche, beginning work on February 17, 2009, at a wage of \$29,700 per year, subject to Council approval.

**RE: TERRY ASPHALT MATERIALS**

Jane Cox and Chris Anspaugh, representing Terry Asphalt Material, presented information concerning their Micro Surfacing product and process.

**RE: FEBRUARY MEETINGS**

The Commissioners set its next regular meeting for February 9, 2009, with continued meeting on February 23, 2009, both meetings to begin at 9:00 a.m.