

**CONTINUED MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**March 15, 2010**

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 March 15, 2010. Present were Commissioners John G. Burger and Lawrence M. Vollmer. Also present were County Auditor Janet L. Sendelweck, County Surveyor Kenneth L. Brosmer, Highway Supervisor Steven L. Berg, and Highway Engineer Jason T. Heile. A quorum was declared present and the meeting was opened for business by Vice President Vollmer. Minutes of the March 1 & 2, 2010, meetings of the Commissioners were approved as presented.

**RE: ST. CHARLES ANNEX**

Custodian Scott Hopf appeared to advise that the roof top air conditioner unit at the St. Charles Annex is in need of repair. The cost of added refrigerant as temporary repair would be \$498.20 and repair of coil leaks & recharge would be \$3739.20, with no assurance of the life of the repair. After discussion, the Commissioners requested Hopf to obtain quotes for replacement of the unit.

Hopf also reported that a contractor is currently working on repair / replacement of the sanitary sewer line running from the west side of the Courthouse.

**RE: GRAMELSPACHER DITCH**

County Engineer Brosmer reported progress being made on clearing of Gramelspacher Ditch, a legal ditch.

**RE: GIS INFORMATION – WOOLPERT**

The County Auditor presented a proposed agreement with Woolpert, an engineering firm from Indianapolis to allow Woolpert access to the County GIS system for use in planning, under an INDOT contract, for location of the proposed U.S. 231 by pass of Jasper. On motion duly made & seconded, the Agreement was approved.

**RE: HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR REPORT**

County Highway Supervisor Berg reported:

Coal Mine Agreement on CR 580 N & 700 W  
Ireland Waste Collection Site  
Lewis Mehringer

Phoenix Natural Resources

Heated Tank Repair

Is in the process of negotiation  
Lease has been fully executed  
Attendant at the Haysville Solid Waste  
Collection site is retiring. The Department will  
interview for a replacement  
Has requested a release of permit bond # S292  
and Solar Sources has requested a release of  
permit bond #S340. The Supervisor has  
inspected both sites and found that proper  
reclamation has been completed, and that he  
has no objection to release each bond. On  
motion duly made and seconded, the  
Commissioners approved release of reclamation  
bonds #S292 with Phoenix National Resources  
and #S340 with Solar Sources.  
The supervisor reported that the Department's  
heated oil tank will not retain heat and is in need  
of repair, at a cost of \$1422. The  
Commissioners approved the repair use funds  
from the Department's repair account.

**RE: E MERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY BOARD**

Mary Miller, Director of County Emergency Management, appeared to request the appointment of Jennifer Derr as a member of the County Emergency Management Advisory Board. Derr is a member of the Indiana Civil Air Patrol and its local unit. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the appointment of Jennifer Derr to the Dubois County Emergency Management Advisory Board.

Director Miller also discussed the possibility of mounting an emergency generator on the roof of the Annex. The cost of the unit is being paid under Homeland Security grant, and would replace a portable unit which is carried from the basement to the outside sidewalk when in use. The new unit would be twice the capacity of the old unit. Kevin Gudorf of Gudorf contracting appeared to discuss the unit. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the mounting of the new unit on the Annex roof.

Director Miller also submitted her Department's report of 2009.

**RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER REPORT**

Highway Engineer Heile submitted his report of current activities:

Dubois Stormwater

Final design has been prepared and is being advertised. The County must select a grant administrator and request for quotes will be mailed. The Engineer advertised that he will attend the March 29 County Council meeting to request endorsement of the Dubois Stormwater project, for support in the event that grant funds are not adequate to complete the project, for inclusion with the grant application.

The Engineer also advised that a public meeting will be held at Dubois Middle School at 6:30 pm on April 6 to show support for the project.

Holland Kentucky Street Project

The Engineer reported that a second offer had been received from Beam Longest & Neff for engineering on the Holland Kentucky Street project, resulting from a reduction from \$326,100 with \$20,000 for changes to \$289,900 with \$10,000 for changes. The Commissioners expressed continued dissatisfaction with the offer. The Engineer was instructed to further discuss the price with the engineering firm.

**RE: SECURITY CENTER UPGRADE**

Sheriff Tanner appeared to discuss the three applications made for engineering services on the Center security system upgrade. The Commissioners discussed the applications and decided that due to the importance, the decision should be delayed until all three Commissioners were present.

**RE: SHERIFF MINIMUM SALARY CONTRACT**

Sheriff Tanner submitted a renewal of the annual Sheriff's Salary Contract. The proposed agreement is the same as that in 2009, and fixes compensation as \$75,388. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the contract, subject to approval by the County Council.

**RE: NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

The Auditor submitted a request from Tom Jahn requesting permission to use the east Courthouse lawn and porch for the annual National Day of Prayer program on May 6, 2010 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the use, subject to agreement to save the County harmless from damage and liability.

**RE: COUNTY MEDICAL SERVICES**

Suzan Henke, Director of EMS, appeared to advise that the County Council has requested review of the EMS fee schedule. She submitted a proposed schedule showing a 5% increase. She described the policy followed on ambulances furnished for high attendance programs, such as County Fair. After discussion, the Commissioners approved the schedule as presented, including Scenario #3, having a \$40/20 hourly fee for Community (not – for – profit) event.

**RE: APRIL MEETINGS**

The April regular monthly meeting of the Commissioners will be held on April 5, 2010 with a continued meeting to be held on April 19, 2010, both beginning at 9:00 am and both will be held at the Courthouse Annex in the Commissioners' Room.