

## CONTINUED MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AUGUST 23, 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 August 23, 2010. Present were Commissioners Randall L. Fleck, 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, and County Attorney Arthur C. Nordhoff. A quorum was declared present and the meeting was opened for business by President Fleck. Minutes of the August 9, 2010, meeting of the Commissioners were approved as presented.

### **RE: REA'S FIRST ADDITION – JACKSON TOWNSHIP**

Ken Brosmer submitted a proposed plat of REA's First Addition in the NW SE Section 32-T2S-R4W, consisting of 2.54 acres in Jackson Township on CR 550 S. The property is owned by Ronald Lane and Mary Lou Gehlhausen, Husband and Wife, and is being platted in order to sell a lot to a daughter. Matters relating to site distance and lack of utility easement between lots were discussed. On motion duly made and seconded, the plat was approved as presented.

### **RE: FAMILY FARM EXEMPTION – JUANITA M. DURCHOLZ**

Ken Brosmer, representing Juanita M. Durcholz, who was present, presented a request for a 3.28 acre tract in the NW NE Section 36-T1S-R6W in Madison Township, in order to sell to a daughter, who with her husband is involved in operation of a farm which exceeds 300 acres. The property is located along CR 620 W. On motion duly made and seconded, the Exemption was granted.

### **RE: GRAMELSPACHER DITCH**

Surveyor Brosmer discussed with the Commissioners requests for the cleaning of Gramelspacher Ditch, a public creek in Madison Township. He reported that the Ditch is fairly clean south of a levy, but the Flat Creek, a non-public creek, is in need of cleaning. Easements would be required for clearing work on Flat Creek. If work is required on the Ditch, adjacent property owners will be assessed prorata, but the work on Flat Creek is not public work on which assessments may be made. The surveyor recommended doing no work on the Ditch until Flat Creek is cleaned.

### **RE: COURTHOUSE COMPUTER SYSTEMS**

Sandy Morton reported on the printer required for the Clerk's office. The consultant contracted at the Courthouse has reviewed the equipment bids and has advised that both meet specifications. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners accepted the bid of VIP Computers for the required printer in the amount of \$560, being the low bid.

### **RE: ST. PATRICK'S COMMITTEE – IRISH ROAD BOWLING**

Jeff Schitter appeared to request closing of CR 700 W running south from the north line of Section 12-T1S-R6W and CR 500 N running east from CR 700 W to just west of CR 550 W, on September 18, 2010, from 12:00 Noon to 6:00 p.m. After discussion, on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized closing of the roads described at the times described, except that CR 700 W shall remain open for local traffic only and with Committee to be responsible for placement of signs and for road security.

### **RE: JAIL SECURITY SYSTEM**

Paul Downey, representing DLZ Indiana, LLC appeared to report to the Commissioners the current progress being made on jail security system upgrade.

### **RE: HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR REPORT**

Highway Supervisor Berg reported on current activities involving the Highway Department, including:

Celestine Real Estate Weed Ordinance

Have received proposal for mowing of property at \$800. Would not include removal of debris but only mowing. Commissioners expressed belief that price is

Verizon Cable  
Road Sinking – Wheatland Dr  
Bank Slide – 175 E  
CR 450 N & 500 N  
Solar Sources

Risk Management Meeting

Sanitation Costs

Paul Reckelhoff Road Cut

excessive for work. Commissioners recommended use of County employees and authorized such work. 7 of 13 items have been corrected.  
under review  
Waiting for recommendations  
Road profile work required  
Road bond has been received. Commissioners expressed concern as to when road work will be done so that local people have access to their property.  
Insurance Carrier held meeting at ONB basement, and employee participation was good. Denbo appeared to discuss ID theft and pre-paid legal service.  
Traffic flow study at collection sites has been conducted. Result is that Pine Ridge site does not justify being open 3 days per week. Cost savings would be \$4056 per year by reducing Pine Ridge to two days. This would bring traffic count up to the average of other sites. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the Pine Ridge site to be reduced to two days per week.  
Request to bore Kyana Road for sanitary line approved, subject to supervision by Health Department.

**RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER REPORT**

Default Speed Limit	Recommends preparation of ordinance to limit speed on unposted roads
City of Jasper Culverts	In process

**RE: STEEL BEAM QUOTES**

The Highway Engineer submitted quotes for the purchase of steel beams for Highway Department projects:

Bridge #145

Patriot Steel	\$43,921.50
Westfield Steel	\$43,626.00

Bridge on CR 850 W

Modern Welding	\$11,777.23
Patriot Steel	\$10,473.69
Westfield Steel	\$10,596.71

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized Westfield Steel for Bridge #146 and Patriot Steel on CR 850 W Bridge.

**RE: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Tammy Miller, County EMA Director, discussed with Commissioners a Home Land Security grant of \$4000 to be used for purchase of AED equipment for two locations in Huntingburg. The Commissioners authorized the acceptance of the grant and purchase of the AED equipment.

The Director also advised that the carpet in the EMA office on the lower level is in need of replacement. She was directed to obtain several quotes for the replacement.

**RE: ORDINANCE CODIFICATION**

Margaret Buston, representing Code Publishing Inc., appeared to discuss with the Commissioners codification of County ordinances.

**RE: BRUSH CUTTER REPLACEMENT**

The Highway Supervisor reported that the County's brush cutter has been taken out of use due to break-down. Cost of repair would be excessive when compared to replacement. The Commissioners authorized Supervisor to advertise for replacement cutter and tractor.

The Supervisor also discussed replacement of the 2-way radio equipment, which must be upgraded or replaced by a July 1, 2013 federal deadline. The cost will be approximately \$5000.

**RE: OCTOBER MEETING**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved moving the October regular meeting from October 4 to October 5 at 9:00 a.m.

**RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – COAL MINE ROAD**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved an additional appropriation for \$500,000 for work to be performed on CR 450 N, CR 700 W, CR 500 N and CR 580 N, subject to approval of the County Council.

**RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT CLAIMS**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized payment of the following claims:

Holland Kentucky Street – Beam Longest & Neff	
#38196	\$133.48 permits and meetings
#38197	\$23,265 services
Butler Fairman & Seufert	
	\$4577.50 for services on bridge inspection

**RE: CONTRACTUAL LIBRARY BUILDING**

The County Auditor submitted a letter from the Dubois County Library Board advising that the Library will have no further use of the storage building at the 4-H Fair grounds as of July 1, 2011. The property is covered by lease and request is made to terminate the lease. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners agreed to terminate the Library lease as of July 1, 2011 and take possession of the storage building on that date.

**RE: DOGWOOD ANIMAL CLINIC – CLAIM**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized payment to Dogwood Animal Clinic for services rendered to three dogs in the amount of \$205.35 delivered to the Clinic by the Sheriff's Department.

**RE: CLERK'S OFFICE – DOXPOP**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the County Clerk to enter into an agreement with Doxpop, LLC covering payments submitted to the Clerk's Office via-credit cards.

**RE: CORONER**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the County Coroner to appoint a volunteer Deputy Coroner, serving without compensation, and the appointment of Jasper Police Officer Dave Drew to that position.

**RE: DUBOIS COUNTY EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and signed Amendments #7 & #8 to the Dubois County Employee Benefit Trust Plan, effective September 1, 2010.

**RE: COUNTY EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK**

The Commissioners discussed the interpretation of "Section C Vacation Days" from the Employee Handbook, as to calculation of length of vacation based on years of employment, and the measuring point for such calculation.

**RE: TRASH COURT – OCTOBER 18**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners set October 18, 2010 at 4:00 p.m., as time for Commissioners to hear complaints for unlawful disposal of trash. Notices to be issued.

**RE: UNIVERSAL DESIGN – CLAIMS**

The County Attorney submitted two statements from Universal Design Associates, Inc. for services rendered on County buildings, as follows:

Courthouse foundation evaluation       \$412.50

St. Charles Annex HVAC bids           \$237.50

After review, on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized payment of both invoices.

**RE: SEPTEMBER MEETINGS**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners set the regular September meeting for September 3, 2010, and the continued meeting for September 20, 2010, both meetings to begin at 9:00 am at the Courthouse Annex.