

REGULAR MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

SEPTEMBER 3, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Dubois County Commissioners was held in the Commissioners' Room of the Courthouse Annex in Jasper, Indiana, beginning at 9:00 a.m. (EST) on September 3, 2010. Present were Commissioners Randall L. Fleck, John G. Burger and Lawrence M. Vollmer. Also present were County Auditor Janet L. Sendelweck, County Surveyor Ken Brosmer, 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 August 2010, meetings of the Commissioners were approved as presented. The minutes were then signed. Incomes for the month of August 2010, were as follows: Recorder \$16,354.48; Health Department \$23,179.67; Auditor \$108.00; Clerk \$46,306.40. 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: PATRICK WEIDENBENNER – SUBDIVISION EXEMPTION

Ken Brosmer appeared with Patrick and Helena Weidenbenner with request for Family Farm Exemption for 1.291 acre tract in Section 14-T1S-R6W for construction of a home for Patrick, who is involved in the farm operation. On motion duly made and seconded, the request was approved and exemption granted.

RE: ATV ROAD USAGE

Derek Breitwieser appeared to request consideration by the Commissioners of an Ordinance to allow ATVs on public roads. He submitted a State map which shows Counties which have adopted such Ordinances, including Warrick & Spencer Counties. He acknowledged that restrictions may be reasonable. He submitted petition with approximately 400 signatures in favor of Ordinance.

RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Highway Supervisor reported on the following projects at the Highway Department:

Weed Ordinance	Property at 60 S Celestine Rd S has been mowed and \$386.96 bill sent to owner.
Verizon Cable	Deadline is set for October 12
Wheatland Dr	Sinking area dug out and filled with concrete.
CR 175 E Bank Slide	Waiting on recommendation
CR 450 N & 500 N	Centerlines set and paving is scheduled
Solar Sources Road Closing	CR 580 N will be closed to the public beginning September 13. CR 450 N, 700 W, 500 N, and 580 N will be paved prior to closing.
Solar Sources Road Repair	Cal Car Paving will begin on September 6
Sanitation Sites	New hours for operation of various sites announced. Pine Ridge site will be closed on Fridays.
CR 800 W	Crossing site on CR 800 W will be modernized by Railroad Company. Will include warning lights and drop gates. Work is scheduled in October.
Equipment Purchase	Ads for brush cutter tractor and boom mower have been run.
Weed Ordinance	Property at 1439 S 350 W has been cleaned up after complaint

RE: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE

Tammy Miller appeared to submit a number of quotes for new carpet for the Emergency Management Office. Quotes were received from Englerts, Boeckmans & Carpet Warehouse. Various qualities and types were submitted by each. It was determined that the lowest and best quote was from Boeckmans for \$4493.50. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the purchase from Boeckmans, subject to appropriation of funds if necessary.

RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEERING REPORT

On recommendation of the Engineer and on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners awarded project # 10-09 to the low bidder, Tri County Paving.

Jasper Box Culverts Final culverts on Timberbrook Court will be placed this week.

RE: STEEL PURCHASE – BRIDGE #146

The Highway Engineer advised that quotes were requested for steel required for the Bridge #146 replacement, and the following quotes were received:

Patriot Steel	\$47,593.71
Westfield Steel	No Quote
O’Neal Steel	No Quote
Modern Welding	No Quote

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized purchase under the Patriot quote.

RE: DOGWOOD ANIMAL CLINIC – CLAIM

The Auditor submitted a claim from Dogwood Animal Clinic for \$136.90 for two dogs delivered to the Clinic for service by the County Sheriff Department. On motion duly made and seconded, the claim was approved and payment authorized.

RE: EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN

The Commissioner President signed Amendment #9 to the County Employee Benefit Plan, as previously approved by the Commissioners.

RE: AMERICAN APPRAISAL CONTRACT

The Commissioner President executed the contract with American Appraisal Associates as previously received for appraisal of County real and personal property, to be performed during 2011, as previously approved by the Commissioners.

RE: JAIL SECURITY SYSTEM BIDS

It being 10:00 am, and proof of publication being presented, the following bids were received and opened in public:

Security Automation Systems	Base	\$270,000
	ALT#1	\$4300
	#2	\$9300
	#3	\$14,350
SIMPLEX Grinnell	Rejected due to lack of executed bid bond.	

RE: IRELAND DISTRICT FIRE MEETING

Stan Seifert of the Ireland Fire Department appeared to request the closing of roads involved in the parade route for the District Fire Department Meeting on October 10, 2010. The Route would be CR 500 W from Walnut to Clay Street; Clay Street; Grant Street from Clay Street to Center Street; Center Street from Grant to James Street; and James Street north. The request is for 500 W to be closed from 1:00-2:00 pm and all other streets from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. On motion duly made and seconded, the request was granted. Ireland Fire Department is to be responsible for posting signs.

RE: ST. ANTHONY 5K RUN

The Auditor submitted a request from St. Anthony Parish requesting the closing of roads on October 10, 2010 for a 5K run, lasting from 8:00am to 10:00 am. The closed streets are Cross Street from St. Anthony Center to 450 S, then 2.5 K West on 450 S, with return on same roads. On motion duly made and seconded, the request was granted and roads ordered closed, with parish to be responsible for posting signs.

RE: LEAVE DAYS

The Commissioners discussed tracking of paid leave days. The Auditor’s Office suggests combination of all personal, sick and vacation time into one leave category, called “PTO” (paid time off), all based on anniversary date of

each employee. Any PTO day could be used at any time during the year, subject to approval of vacation days. Vacation days would be used or lost. Written statement to be prepared.

RE: TODD TOBY – TRASH ORDINANCE

Todd Toby appeared at the Commissioners' request to discuss his failure to pay the penalty and community service days assessed against him. He continues to contend that he was not responsible for unlawful disposal of trash. The Commissioners, after lengthy discussion, proposed to eliminate the \$150.00 fine but increase community service penalty from 12 hours to 15 hours. Toby stated that he continues to object due to the fact that he has not unlawfully disposed of trash. Todd stated that he will do the 15 days service, and a date of December 1, 2010 was set for completion.

RE: SEPTEMBER MEETINGS

The Commissioners agreed to return the October regular meeting to October 4, 2010. Therefore, future meeting dates will be September 20, 2010, October 4, 2010, and October 18, 2010, all meetings to begin at 9:00 am, and with hearing on complaints for unlawful solid waste violations to be set for October 18, 2010 at 4:00 pm.