

## CONTINUED MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JUNE 20, 2011

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 June 20, 2011. Present were Commissioners Lawrence M. Vollmer, Doug M. Uebelhor, and Randall L. Fleck. Also present were County Auditor Kathleen M. Hopf, 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 Vollmer. Minutes of June 6, 2011, meeting of the Commissioners were approved as presented.

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

Highway Supervisor Berg submitted his report of current Highway Department projects, including:

Risk Management Training	Emergency Vehicle Operators Course to test response and decisions will be presented by Sheriff Deputy Kleinhelter. Will be held July 13 at 4-H Fairgrounds to allow evaluation of employees.
Valley View Estates – Celestine	Jeremy Betz has requested County acceptance of road in new subdivision south of Celestine. Road is built but needs to be chip / sealed. Should be ready for acceptance by late summer.
CR 1200 S	Interlocal Agreement with Spencer County has been prepared and submitted to Spencer County. Easements are being signed. Money from adjacent landowners and \$30,000 from Spencer County will be required before work starts.
Chip & Seal Paving Projects	Have been delayed due to adverse weather during May and June.
Weather Related Damage	The Department is compiling values for February 28 storm damage. Report will be filed for federal reimbursement.

### **RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE – DONALD FRESON**

On recommendation of the Highway Supervisor, and on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the employment of Donald Freson as the replacement floater for the Solid Waste Collection sites, to fill an existing vacancy.

### **RE: FALL ELECTION – CITY OF JASPER**

County Clerk Bridgette Jarboe appeared to discuss polling locations for the Jasper November 8 elections. Election Day would be a normal work day for the Highway garage and the High School gym will not be available. It appears that High School location would be moved to the Middle School. Arrangements will need to be made to allow use of the required portion of the Highway Garage. Further discussion will be held with Highway Department.

### **RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER REPORT**

Highway Engineer Jason Heile submitted his report of current projects, including:

Highway Garage Repair	Required bonds and insurance documents are expected next week and concrete work should begin within two or three weeks, weather permitting.
Dubois Stormwater Project	Title Sheet required for bidding were reviewed and approved. Public meeting held and questions were answered, including tying downspouts from homes into system. Based on procedure

used by others in area, the following recommendations were made: A) Existing connections will be reconnected B) Other connections must meet pre-approved specs, using approved connection fittings; Connections will not be under roadways; only one connection per property; connection no deeper than 5 to 6 feet; must be installed by licensed plumber or be subject to inspection by County; connection will need to clean out; location of connection would be documented.

Bridge #146

Beams placed, deck to be poured this week, grade approach required after deck placed.

CR 175 Slide

Project advertised for receipt at July meeting. The Commissioners accepted a right of way petition for a portion of existing County Road 175 E in Marion Township more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point where CR 175 East crosses the north line of northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 20, Township 1 South, Range 4 West and runs thence southwesterly 0.34 mile to the south line of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 20, Township 1 South, Range 4 West.

Holland KY Street

Presentation at public meeting will be held at Holland Town Hall on June 23 at 9:00 am

Jasper Maplecrest Boulevard

Installation of box culverts has been delayed by weather. Culverts have been built and are stored, invoice submitted.

#### **RE: HIGHWAY PROJECT CLAIMS**

The Highway Engineer submitted the following claims relating to highway projects:

Jones & Sons	Box Culverts	\$25,740.00
Beam, Longest & Neff	Services on KY Street	\$ 2,447.24
Brosmer Surveying	Services on CR 175 E	\$ 7,340.00
VS Engineering	Services on Dubois Stormwater	\$44,700.00

On motion duly made and seconded, the claims were approved and payment authorized.

#### **RE: BLESSINGER REAL ESTATE PURCHASE – 4H GROUNDS**

The Commissioners discussed a request from the County Park Board that the Commissioners consider purchase of the Dorothy Blessinger real estate in Jackson Township. The purchase had been considered for an extended period in order to extend lands available to the Park and for use in the 4-H Forestry program. The property also would give the Park access to a public Road (CR 50 E) for emergency purposes. It was reported that representatives of the County Council have been involved in discussions with the owner regarding the purchase and prices. It would be intended that the residential portion of the tract would be resold as the residence would be of no value to the County. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the purchase, subject to Council approval and receipt of appraisal.

#### **RE: REDACTION SERVICES & SUPPORT AGREEMENT – RECORDER**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved renewal of the Recorder Office Redaction Services & Support Agreement with CSI Computer Systems for a four year term ended June 30, 2015 at a base cost of \$1806 per year.

**RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT EMERGENCY CALL – BACK**

After discussion and based on a misunderstanding within the Highway Department, the Commissioners authorized the wages for emergency call-back of Highway employees, as set forth in Resolution 2011-01 to take effect on May 9, 2011, rather than on January 1, 2012 as originally stated. The attorney was directed to prepare an amendment to Resolution of 2011-01.

**RE: MEAL REIMBURSEMENT**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the Auditor to replace the provision in the Employee Handbook not authorizing adding a server tip to food bills for reimbursement purposes, with a new provision allowing reimbursement of tips, but not to exceed 15% of the base bill.

**RE: JUNK IT, INC. SALVAGE YARD**

Attorney Nathan Seger appeared to inquire as to a prior request from Junk It, Inc. to allow establishment of a salvage yard on CR 600 W north of SR 56. The Board stated that concerns have been expressed by neighbors, and Ordinance #2004-1 requires that the public be unable to see the interior of the site where scrap is located. It was stated that items collected are recycled. It was stated that before additional work is done, a plan should be submitted to the Commissioners for consideration.

**RE: COUNTY CONTRACTUAL LIBRARY 4-H BUILDINGS**

The County Attorney advised the Commissioners that the County Contractual Library has vacated the book - mobile storage building at the 4-H building and has no further use of the Building. The plan is for the building to be used for office space for the County Extension Office. To relieve the Library from future obligations as to the building, it is recommended that the lease between the County, the 4-H Council and the Library dated November 2, 1979, be terminated. Agreement of Termination approved and signed.

**RE: JULY MEETINGS**

As previously reported, the Commissioners will hold its regular meeting in July on July 5, 2011 and its continued meeting on July 18, 2011, both meetings to begin at 9:00 am at the Courthouse Annex.

**RE: COURTHOUSE**

Courthouse Custodian Hopf appeared to discuss several proposals received for repainting of the Tower roof. He also discussed the need for stone repair required at several locations of the Courthouse and War Memorial. The Custodian was requested to obtain one or more additional proposals for the stone repairs.

It was commented that October 14, 2011, would be the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Courthouse dedication.

**RE: JASPER STRASSENFEST – WBDC**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners granted the request of WBDC to relocate its annual Jasper Strassenfest event to the lower lawn northeast of the County Security Center. WBDC shall be responsible for providing to the County Auditor that agreement and indemnification documentation normally required for the use of the Courthouse Square area.