

CONTINUED MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OCTOBER 15, 2012

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 October 15, 2012. Present were Commissioners Lawrence M. Vollmer, Randall L. Fleck, and Doug M. Uebelhor. Also present were County Auditor Kathleen M. Hopf, County Surveyor Kenneth L. Brosmer, Highway Supervisor Steven L. Berg, and Highway Engineer Jason T. Heile, and County Attorney Arthur C. Nordhoff, Jr. Income for the month of September 2012 was submitted in the amount of \$30,009.65 by the Clerk. A quorum was declared present and the meeting was opened for business by President Vollmer. Minutes of October 1, 2012, meeting of the Commissioners were approved as presented.

RE: HEARING ON TRASH COMPLAINT – CAUSE # 2012-01

Appeared Kimberly Gray and Brandon Huckelby, with his father, John Huckelby, for continued hearing on complaint filed with the Commissioners for violation of County SW Ordinance for illegal trash dump on CR 900 W. The attorney advised those present that this was a continuation of prior hearing in Cause #2012-01, and summarized the testimony previously presented at prior hearings. Each party confirmed being previously sworn as to evidence and testimony presented at the hearings. Brandon confirmed being a minor 17 years of age, and understanding that he knows the difference between truth and a lie and that his statements would present the truth and that he was presenting his statement voluntarily. His father agreed. Each party confirmed this prior statement that they did not dispose of the trash. John Huckelby submits an invoice from Veolia Services showing that the Huckelbys have trash services at their residence at Otwell and that Brandon would not find it necessary to dump trash along the roadway. The Commissioners agreed that the dispute between the parties should be referred to Sheriff's Department for investigation and report back to the Commissioners.

RE: FAMILY FARM EXEMPTION – ALICIA K. MEHRINGER

Surveyor Brosmer submitted a request from Philip J. Gogel for a family farm exemption for his daughter, Alicia K. Mehringer. It appears that the 1.3 acre tract in Section 18-T1s-R5w satisfies the requirements for the family farm exemption and is on CR 550 W. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and granted the exemption.

RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Highway Clerk Messmer submitted a request for a proposed Additional Appropriation as follows:

Highway	-	Seed / Straw	\$1,000
		Gas Oil Diesel	\$60,000
		Equipment Repair	\$5,000
Solid Waste	-	Gas Oil Diesel	\$5,000

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the Additional Appropriation, subject to approval by the County Council.

RE: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT

The Director of Dubois County Emergency Management appeared to request approval of an application to Indiana Homeland Security for an Emergency Management Performance Grant for \$4,054. On motion duly made and seconded, the filing of the application was approved.

RE: DUBOIS COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS

Janice Love, Director of County Communications, appeared to request approval of a claim for Eck-Mundy Associates for services performed by that Company in installation and management of the new CAD system for the County 9-1-1 system. The claim is for services and materials in the amount of \$4,258.58. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized payment of the claim.

RE: CR 800 S – JOHN TROUT

John Trout Jr. appeared to request paving of CR 800 S a rock road (1.8 miles), along which is located four homes. There is chip and seal on both ends of this requested roadway in Cass Township, Section 12. The Commissioners will inspect the roadway.

RE: TRI-CAP – USDA LOAN

Joyce Fleck, representing Tri-Cap, appeared to request a letter of support to allow Tri-Cap to apply for a loan from USDA Rural Development Community Facility. Loan would allow purchase of the existing Tri-Cap facility on 3rd Avenue in Jasper. The loan payments would be less than rent currently being paid. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners signed of a letter of support for the loan and purchase.

RE: HIGHWAY DUMP TRUCK – ELPERS TRUCK EQUIPMENT

The Highway Supervisor reported that the Dump Truck body recently purchased fails to have a "power down" feature required in the specs. This feature is required for Department operations. Elpers claims that their

product has met specs. Supervisor stated that same specs had been previously used and proper product was furnished. Other proposal submitted also satisfied requirement. Commissioners directed Supervisor to give Elpers written notice of failure to satisfy specs and give opportunity to correct condition. Supervisor to report back to Commissioners.

RE: HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR REPORT

Highway Supervisor Berg submitted the following report of current Highway Department projects:

Freight Liner	Chassis ordered has been delivered and will submit payment
Road Sign Inventory	Quotes have been received for following road signs required for inventory:
	Hall Sign \$4,752.96
	Michael Todd (no posts) \$3,754.46
	Projects on 56, 231, 545, 64, 164, 162, 145, 264, 161:
	Hall Signs
	Signs \$5,774.59
	Posts & Caps \$5,945.29
	Michael Todd
	Signs \$5,184.06
	Caps Only \$1,001.60

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners accepted the quote from Hall Signs, insofar as Todd failed to submit prices for posts within its quotes, the cost of posts being \$5,188.69, causing the Hall proposal to be the lowest bid.

RE: AFLAC GROUP ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Laurel Seger appeared, representing AFLAC Insurance Company, to request consideration of her Company for revised group accident insurance coverage. She reviewed with the Commissioners claims within the County for various types of coverage, and the cost of current coverage and proposed coverage. The proposed coverage is a newly offered program not previously available to the County. A report submitted by Seger indicated that during the period 2007 thru 2012, 616 claims were filed and \$154,412 was paid out as benefits. The new program, being a group policy, provides more benefits and coverage at a lower rate, but a condition is that the new program must be offered to each County employee. Currently 20 employees participate. After discussion, on motion duly made and seconded, AFLAC representatives were authorized to meet with County employees.

RE: TERRY ASPHALT MATERIALS – BEN CROSS

Ben Cross, representing Terry Asphalt Materials, appeared to make a presentation on various asphalt materials, including micro surfacing and various emulsion and seal applications.

RE: MATRIX – STEVE HAUSER

Steve Hauser, representing Matrix, appeared to discuss the Courthouse computer system. He stated that with the new fiber ring network approved by the Commissioners, the County is in need of a new server system, which will be interconnected, will allow: management of all County traffic to come through the Auditor's Office; allow E-Mail between various offices in different locations; will allow holding of prior messages in one site; and would allow breakdown at on server to transfer service to another server. It also allows filtering of the entire County system at on location. The County currently has nine servers at different locations. He described the proposed system and the methods of obtaining estimated costs, method of quotes by bids or contracts. The Commissioners authorized Matrix and the County's IT personnel to proceed with specs and recommend proceedings.

RE: SECURITY CENTER REPORT

Sheriff Lampert submitted his report of current Security Center Report and discussed jail and deputy status and expected changes and educational requirements. State mandates new jailer education will be required and jail space requirements are being changed. The Sheriff is requesting purchase or lease of replacement Rhino vehicle, for which additional appropriation would be required. Sheriff Lampert was instructed to conduct an investigation of the pending Solid Waste case (Cause #2012-01). On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized purchase / rental of Rhino. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized trade-in of three current vehicles and purchase of two replacement vehicles.

RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER REPORT

The County Highway Engineer submitted the following:

ADA Service Agreement – Bernardin – Lochmueller	On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized execution of the service agreement with Bernardin Lochmueller and Associates for the County ADA Transition Plan.
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Paving – Calcar For Old State Rd 162

The Engineer submitted quotes for paving of Old SR 162 as follows:

Calcar	\$13,305.00
JH Rudolph	\$15,992.50
Hunter Paving	\$18,849.00

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and accepted the Calcar quote.

CR 1100 E
Kentucky Street – Holland

Box Culvert in place but needs clean up. On motion duly made and seconded, invoice on supplemental agreement for \$97.28 for services approved and payment authorized.

Bridge 114

Needs reconstruction and new right-of-way petition is required. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized payment of claim from DLZ for \$8,525 for services rendered.

2012 Bridge Inspection

On motion made and seconded, the Board approved and authorized payment to Butler Fairman and Seufert for \$6,523 for services rendered.

RE: CR 450 S – PETITION TO BARRICADE ROAD

Easement has been obtained from Kenny Epple for construction of turnaround at or near end of original CR 450 S. Epple requests that barricade be installed in such manner as will allow his property access to CR 450 S. The petition as originally filed with Commissioners by owners on CR 450 S does not request vacation of any portion of CR 450 S, but only for barricading at or near end of CR 450 S so as to prevent access to CR 450 S from Deer Trail. The access as requested by Epple was authorized and the Commissioners declared CR 450 S to be a dead-end road at some point on the Epple property and directed the Highway Department to erect a barricade to prevent access from CR 450 S to Deer Trail. The Highway Supervisor reported that the barricade would be installed within the next two to three weeks.

RE: BRIDGE #114 – DLZ

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized payment of a claim for \$8,525 from DLZ for services rendered on Bridge #114.

RE: COUNTY DENTAL PLAN

The County auditor submitted several proposals for the renewal of the County employee dental plan. After discussion, on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved renewal of the current plan.

RE: PERFECTION GROUP – ENERGY MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Commissioners again discussed the proposal to enter into an agreement with Perfection Group to implement an Energy Management Plan. Based upon the long-term payout period (20 years), on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners determined that it was not in the best interest of the County taxpayers to enter into the Plan.

RE: METRONET – TIF

The Board then discussed the proposal at the prior Commissioners meeting for Metronet to install a Fiber (FTTP) network system to serve Jasper and Huntingburg and those portions of the County located on the fiber lines running into and between Jasper and Huntingburg. The construction of the lines would be funded by a TIF Bond fully funds by the project, with no property taxes involved. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the County to join with Jasper and Huntingburg for the TIF project for Metronet, and authorized the City of Jasper to be the lead agency. Metronet is to furnish a proposed TIF authorization.