

REGULAR MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MAY 7, 2012

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 May 7, 2012. Present were Commissioners Lawrence M. Vollmer, Randall L. Fleck, and Doug M. Uebelhor. Also present were County Auditor Kathleen M. Hopf, 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 Vollmer. Minutes of the April meetings of the Commissioners were approved as presented. The minutes were then signed. Incomes for the month of April, were as follows: Recorder \$15,786.47; Health Department \$20,824.77; Auditor \$0; Clerk \$_____. 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: DUBOIS STORMWATER PROJECT

Surveyor Brosmer reported that the Stormwater project at Dubois is substantially completed and that trenches have been filled in and grass planted, but that recent hard rains have caused a number of washouts in certain locations and the contractor will need to correct the problems.

RE: WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Carl Ahrens reported that it is his intent to retire at year's end. The Commissioners discussed with him the procedure for replacement of his position later in the year. Ahrens has served as Weights and Measures Officer for 21 years.

RE: HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR REPORT

Highway Supervisor Steve Berg submitted the following reports of Department projects:

Tank Dyke	Construction of dyke completed, tank repairs have been completed and is ready to be painted. A new mounting method has been installed to reduce future tank repairs.
Tank Operator Training	IDEM will conduct underground storage tank operator training in August.
CR 750 N Improvement	Orange County has completed project but no bill has been received to date.
Vehicle Parking Ordinance	Submitted proposed ordinance prepared for South Street near elementary school in Ireland. A number of comments from area residents have been received. Public safety of school buses and possible use by fire trucks must be considered. Proposed that no parking take place on either side of road. The School corporation will be constructing a new storage building on the east end of South Street. The attorney will review the Ordinance.
Private Water line, Ellsworth Road	Lee Schnell has requested permission to run water line from public line to home. Road at that point is rock road and line would require road cut. Permission granted.
Election Day	Commissioners reminded that Highway Department will be closed on Tuesday, May 8, for elections.
J.H. Rudolph Bid Escalation	Notice has been received from J.H. Rudolph of increase in price of Lot Asphaltic Materials of 8 to 11% and in cold mix from 1 to 3% due to wholesale material increases in cost.

RE: DUBOIS STORMWATER

Project engineer submitted Final Inspection Report on Dubois Stormwater project. Except to repair of recent rain damages, the project is completed and satisfies contract requirements. Damage occurred within past week and will be repaired within several days.

RE: SHERIFF DEPARTMENT DRUG POLICY

Sheriff Lampert submitted a proposed revision of Sheriff’s Department Drug Policy. Attorney has reviewed and policy is similar to County’s policy. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the Policy.

The Sheriff also advised the Commissioners that the Department is of the opinion that the County is in need of a Drug Enforcement Officer and of a transportation officer.

The Sheriff also submitted his report of current Security Center status. Average population is 82 inmates. Medical procedures and expenses were discussed. Possible use of County Health Department personnel was discussed. The roof continues to occasionally leak in the Kitchen area and a solution is being sought.

Discussion was held concerning possible emergency training in the Courthouse facility. Training would be voluntary for employees unless mandated by Department head.

The Sheriff also discussed possible improvement of the Courthouse prisoner holding area on the second floor.

The Sheriff reported that OFS has offered to donate a trailer to the Sheriff’s Department for use on various occasions. The costs to the County would be continuing maintenance, transfer of title and insurance. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized acceptance of the gift.

RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER REPORT

Highway Engineer Heile submitted his report of current engineering projects:

Dubois Stormwater	Final close-out meeting held, punchlist would require only 1 or 2 days of work. Three claims submitted as follows:									
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Jail Park Area	Storm sewer replaced; manhole replaced at added cost. Parking lot line repainting required.									
Kentucky Street, Holland	Funding application draft submitted and approved for President signature.									
Bridge Inspection	Project completed excepted for paper work. Butler, Fairman and Seufert invoice for services in amount of \$17,604 submitted. On motion duly made and seconded, invoice approved and payment authorized.									
Dubois County Airport	Woolpert Engineering desires meeting on County roadways around Airport. Meeting is set for May 14 at 3:00 pm.									
Blind Child Area Sign	Sign requested for vicinity of 5484 Main Street in Dubois. Sign installation approved.									
Haysville Road West	Box Culvert on west side of Haysville needs replacement and will cause road to be closed in future.									

RE: PERFECTION GROUP – ENERGY AUDIT

Anthony J. Apro and Rob Vollrath from Perfection Group appeared to describe to the Commissioners the need for energy audit of County Buildings. They stated that the buildings most in need of audit are the Security Center and Community Corrections. The County has 108,000 Sq Feet of buildings. Perfection has 18 years of experience in the field. The greatest savings would be in the Community Corrections building, with the Security Center being second in possible savings. Perfection offered to perform an audit without cost to the County, and a contract would be submitted for any work to be done. The Commissioners authorized the preliminary work, without costs to the County.

RE: CONGRESSIONAL SCHOOL FUND

The Auditor submitted and the Commissioners approved the Annual County Report on the Congressional School Fund.