

**REGULAR MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**JUNE 4, 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 June 4, 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 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 May meetings of the Commissioners were approved as presented. The minutes were then signed. Incomes for the month of May, were as follows: Recorder \$17,330.43; Health Department \$27,625.69; Auditor \$4.00; 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: FAMILY FARM EXEMPTION**

Ken Brosmer, Surveyor, appeared to request a family farm exemption for Jason Betz to obtain a 2.07 acre tract in Section 4-T2s-R3w in Hall Township. The tract is located on the Melvin J. & Cecilia B. Betz farm and Jason is involved in the farm operation of his parents. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners granted an exception to the County Subdivision Ordinance.

**RE: JASPER WOOD PRODUCTS BUILDING**

Lisa Gehlhausen of Indiana Region 15 reported to the Commissioners the status of application for State grant for removal of the Jasper Wood Products building. The Commissioners agreed that removal of the Building would have no adverse effect as a historical factor. The Commissioners have received three applications for engineering service for removal of the Building and the Commissioners will hold interviews of engineers on June 11, 2012 at 1:00 pm.

**RE: PETITION TO VACATE PT OF SECOND STREET IN PORTERSVILLE**

Surveyor Brosmer had delivered to the Commissioners a plat of Second Street in Portersville and James C. Brown appeared requesting vacation of said Street adjacent to Mr. Brown's property. The adjacent owners were joined in the petition, which did not divide the Street equally between the petitioners, but had a 14 foot offset to the south as to a portion of the Street. The attorney and Highway Engineer questioned the statute requirement as to division and the attorney will check statute. The Commissioners took the petition under advisement.

**RE: COUNTY PARK EMERGENCY ROADWAY**

Jason Schmitt, President of the County Park Board, appeared to discuss the creation of a new public road running east from CR 50 E along the center line of Section 30-T2S-R4W to the County Park. The current rights of owners south of the east-west center Section line was discussed and Schmitt agreed to contact the owners regarding the right-of-way of the new road.

**RE: HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT BIDS**

It being 10:00 am, the time advertised for receipt of bids for the first round of County Highway improvements, proof of publication was presented and read and the following bids were opened in public:

	Calcar Paving	Dave O'Mara	Gohman Asphalt	J.H. Rudolph	Engineer Estimate
#12-02 CR 600 W	\$71,790.00	\$72,892.00	\$90,161.60	\$89,373.00	\$79,333.00
#12-03 Portersville Rd W	\$98,592.50	\$100,944.00	\$122,708.30	\$121,975.00	\$108,041.00
#12-04	\$112,661.50	\$122,351.00	\$133,995.40	\$131,578.00	\$119,976.00

CR 735 E

#12-05 CR 300 N	\$107,969.00	\$117,336.00	\$128,560.20	\$125,654.00	\$114,245.00
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#12-06 CR 445 E	\$69,813.50	\$74,558.00	\$86,531.80	\$84,650.00	\$74,951.00
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#12-07 Holland SW	\$82,968.50	\$88,526.00	\$93,501.00	\$95,976.00	\$88,867.00
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#12-08 Ferdinand NW	\$84,335.50	\$96,120.00	\$88,374.20	\$96,491.75	\$88,510.00
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All bids were determined to have proper bond and executions.

**RE: HIGHWAY TRUCK BIDS**

It being 10:30 am, the time advertised for receipt of bids for purchase of truck for the Highway Department, proof of publication was presented and read and the following bids were opened in public:

	Sanitation Chassis	Sanitation Compactor Body	Single Axle Truck Chassis	Dump Bed and Hoist
Elpers				\$9,175.00
Sternberg	\$69,832.18 <u>- 1,000.00</u> \$68,832.18		\$62,653.70 <u>- 11,000.00</u> \$51,653.70	
Meyer Truck				\$9,995.00
Mills Body	-	-	-	-
Freight Liner	\$61,682.00 <u>- 1,000.00</u> \$60,682.00		\$54,841.00 <u>- 11,000.00</u> \$43,841.00	
Pyramid		\$61,000.00		

**RE: HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT RENTAL**

The following proposals were submitted and read in public:

	Highlift	Excavator With Jackhammer	Mobilization
Lechner	\$100.00 per Hr	\$190.00 per Hr	\$500.00
Knies Construction	\$100.00 per Hr	\$220.00 per Hr	\$550.00

**RE: EMERGENCY SIRENS**

Tammy Miller appeared to submit quotes for purchase of emergency sirens, as follows:

Federal Signal	Installed	\$107,671.60
Federal Signal	Not Installed	\$77,695.60
Braniff Communications	Installed	\$120,480.00

The Commissioners discussed regular maintenance costs (including electric charges), and insurance. Also discussed was installation of a currently-owned siren at Duff, to be installed by Advanced Radio Communications for \$5,167.00. Liability coverage through the County policy would be \$50.00 per unit per year, with \$5,000 deductible. Question remains regarding casualty insurance. Proposals will be reviewed by attorney and maintenance contract for each unit will be prepared by Scott Uebelhor for consideration at June 18, meeting.

**RE: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT**

Tammy Miller submitted application for Emergency Management Performance Grant from State Homeland Security for \$32,300.00 for 2011 actual expenses. On motion duly made and seconded, the application was signed and approved.

**RE: GENERATOR SERVICE AGREEMENTS – COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS**

On motion duly made and seconded, the commissioners approved proposals for Generator service agreements for towers maintained by County Communications at the St. Henry Tower (\$360.00) and at Greener Road Tower (\$360.00).

**RE: 4-H PARK PUBLIC SHELTERS**

Carissa King, a resident of the 4-H Park area, appeared to request construction of a storm shelter for the Park and for residents of the area. Various alternate sites for shelter were considered.

**RE: SECURITY CENTER REPORT**

Sheriff Lampert appeared and submitted the monthly report for the security center operations. He thanked the Highway Department for repairs on the Center parking lot and storm sewer project.

**RE: 4-H FAIR**

Officers of the County 4-H Fair appeared to request that the County Highway Department again assist in maintenance of roads and various fields. This service has been provided for a number of years. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the regular activities by the Highway Department. The Commissioners also authorized the Highway Engineer to assist in compliance with new State stage requirements.

**RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER REPORT**

Highway Engineer Heile submitted the following report of current projects:

Bishop Land Service	Seismic Survey – request to use Pine Ridge road for exploration seismic survey for oil/gas. Approved by Commissioners subject to reading of contract by attorney.
Jail Park Lots	Project completed. Application from Knies Construction for \$1,990 for painting approved for payment by Commissioners
Kentucky Street Holland	INDOT will announce grant award by July 1. Public Hearing on project set for June 26.
Box Culvert – Haysville Rd West	Poured and will be open by end of week.
Bridge-Cuzco Road West	Will start by June 11 on bridge replacement. Telephone line has been relocated to the wrong location and will prevent replacement until corrected.
Bridge 114 – Schnellville Road	Survey completed, design started. Invoice from DLZ for \$10,200 for services approved and payment authorized by Commissioners
ADA Transition Plan	Consultants are being approached for preparation in ADA Plan preparation. Engineer is to request plan presentation by 3 or 4 engineering firms, including cast for study.
Jasper Wood Products	Consultants will be interviewed on June 11 for services to have building removed.
IACHES Conference	Permission granted for Engineer to attend IACHES Summer Conference at Indianapolis.
Celestine Street Festival	Permission granted for closure of New Orleans Street from SR 164 to St Charles Street and St Charles Street from New Orleans Street to Celestine Road North from Noon on Friday, June 8 to Noon on Sunday June 10 <sup>th</sup> .

**RE: DUBOIS STORM WATER PROJECT**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized payment of claim from Brosmer Surveying for \$6,892.00 for services on Dubois Storm Water Project.

**RE: FUTURE MEETINGS**

The Commissioners set future meetings for June 18, 2012, beginning at 9:00 am and on July 9 and July 23, 2012, beginning at 9:30 am.

**RE: PROJECT BIDS / PROPOSALS**

On motion duly made and seconded, and after review by the Highway Engineer, the Commissioners accepted all bids of Calcar Paving for the first round of road improvements, each representing the lowest bid. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners accepted the proposal of Lechner for the rental of equipment on Kyana Road project, said proposal being the lowest proposal.

**RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – TRUCK**

After interview of four qualified applicants, on recommendation of the Highway Supervisor, and on motion made and seconded, the Commissioners employed Jeremy Hopf as new truck driver in Highway District #2, beginning June 25, 2012.

**RE: SURPLUS INVENTORY**

The Auditor submitted a list of inventory equipment from the Health Department and from the Courthouse which have been determined to be of no further use or value and declared that the same be declared as surplus and of no value. On motion made and seconded, the list was approved and the items were declared surplus and the Auditor was instructed to dispose of the same for salvage value or as junk.