

REGULAR MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AUGUST 6, 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 August 6, 2012. Present were Commissioners Lawrence M. Vollmer, Randall L. Fleck, and Doug M. Uebelhor. Also present were County Deputy Auditor Sheryl Sendelweck, 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 July meetings of the Commissioners were approved as presented. The minutes were then signed. Incomes for the month of July, were as follows: Recorder \$15,117.41; Health Department \$21,605.96; Auditor \$4.00; Clerk \$39,625.55. 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: IOCRA PROJECTS

The Deputy Auditor submitted to the Commissioners a letter which has been sent by Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission to the State Board of Accounts relating to grants from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs for the Dubois Library and Dubois Stormwater projects. The letter relates to Indiana 15's response to SBOA questions regarding distribution of funds for payment of expenses of the projects.

RE: SOLID WASTE TRASH DISPOSAL HEARING

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners rescheduled the hearing on Cause # 2012-01 from August 20, 2012 to August 24, 2012 at 8:00 am. Notice to be sent to parties.

RE: EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

Deputy Auditor Sendelweck discussed with the Commissioners problems which have been questioned with regard to leave (illness, vacation, etc.) for former employees who become elected officials and thereafter return as employees. The Commissioners determined that time served as an elected official should not be included in leave accumulation calculations at such time that a former elected official becomes a regular employee, but that due to prior misunderstanding, prior payments made should not be recouped when involving this question.

RE: LEONARD BORMAN – CR 50 E

Leonard Borman appeared to discuss CR 50 E. As is true for a number of other County Roads, due to lack of funds, the Highway Department has found it necessary to convert from paved roads to chip/seal roads. Borman stated that due to new home construction on CR 50 E, the traffic has greatly increased. The Highway Supervisor responded by describing the reduction in State funding due to reduced sale of gas. The current chip/seal is a temporary stop-gap procedure to save the road base until additional funding is available.

RE: SHERIFF REPORT

Sheriff Lampert appeared to file his report of Security Center operations during the prior month. The Center has had an average population of 90 persons during the month. Expenses during the month were also discussed. The Sheriff also reported on current computer program use by the Department and vehicle accident information, including road location problem areas, available through the program. He also reported on expanded use of the new Hispanic deputy.

RE: HOLLAND – KENTUCKY STREET

The Highway Engineer submitted a Supplement to the Project Contract with INDOT reflecting an increase in grant funding for the Kentucky Street project in Holland. On motion duly made and seconded, the Supplement was approved.

RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – OLD SR 64 (#12-09)

It being 10:00 am, the time advertised, proof of publication was presented and the following bids were received and opened in public for improvement of Old SR 64:

Calcar	\$207,767.00	60 days to start 30 days to finish
Dave O'Mara	\$206,848.00	30 days to start 45 days to finish
Gohman Asphalt	\$207,608.50	10 days to start 10 days to finish
J.H. Rudolph & Co.	\$194,876.40	15 days to start 15 days to finish

Engineer's estimate is \$197,000. After review of the bids by the Highway Clerk and Engineer, on motion duly made and seconded, the Board accepted the bid of J.H. Rudolph and Co.

RE: IRISH ROAD BOWLING

Jeff Schitter, representing the Ireland St. Patrick's Day Committee, appeared to request closing of CR 700 W from CR 500 N south to CR 500 N (1/4 mile) and on CR 500 N from 700 W to 550 W on September 15, 2012 from 12:00 noon until 5:00 pm, for holding of the annual Irish Road Bowling. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the closing, subject to proper road signage by the Committee during the subject hours.

RE: HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR REPORT

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

Compensation	Discussion regarding proposed budget for employees during 2013 and the method for determining allocation between employees based upon number of hours worked.
Weed Letters	Letter has been sent for weed violation by Slotten with no response to date. Have been unable to contact individual by phone. Sheriff has been requested for assistance. Letter of Egbert violation has brought information that property may be subject to public sale. Question exists whether weed lien would be accepted should bankruptcy court have jurisdiction.
CR 450 W	Request made for widening of CR 450 S. Road is currently 13 feet wide and 581 feet long. Randy Berg has proposed paying for rock. Commissioners required residents to obtain 60 foot easement and pay any cost of utility relocation. Road grade work would probably require contract.

RE: SCHNELLVILLE CHURCH WALK AND RUN EVENT

The Highway Supervisor reported a request from Sacred Heart church in Schnellville for closing of 800 E south of Market Street to Schnellville Rd, thence east on Schnellville Road to Schnell Road, thence south to 400 S, thence west to Pine Ridge Road, thence to north to Schnellville Road, thence east to Elm Street, being the termination, from 8:00 am to 10:30 am on September 16, 2012. On motion duly made and seconded, the request was granted, conditioned on proper signage by the Church.

RE: HUNTINGBURG SANITATION SITE

Current lease will soon expire for Huntingburg waste collection site. Owner David Lichlyter is offering a 5 year lease at \$500 per year. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the proposed lease.

RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER REPORT

Highway Engineer Jason Heile submitted his report of current engineering projects, as follows:

Holland Kentucky Street Ireland South Street Bridge #55 (Cuzco Rd W)	Have INDOT meeting on August 7 Working on No Parking Ordinance Both abutments finished, beams being placed next week if delivery can be made by trucking company.
ADA Transition Plan	Suggests that fees be finalized with consultants being considered. The services to be provided by various consultants were discussed. After discussion, the Commissioners determined that a request be made of Bernardin Lochmueller for fee estimate and scope of work.
Jasper Wood Product Building	Meeting held with DLZ on cost of removal and value of materials in building to be salvaged. DLZ will submit contract.
CR 500 W / CR 630 S Intersection	Has been a dangerous intersection, property owner is willing to donate necessary easement to improve intersection. Cost estimate would be \$160,000 for work. It approved, work would

be next year and would require outside contractor. Due to safety for traffic and school bus use, the Commissioners instructed the Department to begin consideration as preliminary work for 2012 project.

RE: BRIDGE #114 (SCHNELLVILLE RD)

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized payment of an invoice from DLZ for \$4,000 for work provided of the Bridge #114 project.

RE: COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

J.P. Weisheit, Community Corrections Director, appeared to advise the Commissioners of crowded building conditions, and submitted a possible solution. The proposed project would not require addition to the building but would rearrange the current facility to expand use of existing areas. Proposals from various contractors and suppliers have been received, with the total estimated cost being \$15,000. The Commissioners discussed the programs currently in operation, including the successful garden program. The Director was told to obtain additional quotes to satisfy State audit requirements.