

REGULAR MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OCTOBER 7, 2013

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 October 7, 2013. Present were Commissioners Lawrence M. Vollmer, Randall L. Fleck, and Doug M. Uebelhor. Also present were County Auditor Kathleen M. Hopf, 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 September 3 & 23, 2013 meetings of the Commissioners had been previously distributed to the Commissioners and were approved as presented. The minutes were then signed. Incomes for the month of September, 2013 were as follows: Recorder \$13,897.52; Health Department \$22,141.74; Auditor \$54.00; Clerk \$33,275.90. 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: JEFF WARREN – UTILITY EASEMENT VACATION

Phil Buehler of Brosmer Land Surveying appeared to request vacation of utility easement between Lots 14 & 15 in Andrew Klem's Second Addition in Jackson Township. There are no utilities within the easement and the adjacent property owner (Catholic Church) by e-mail had approved the vacation. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the vacation.

RE: TIMOTHY N. MEYER, ADJACENT PROPERTY EXCEPTION

Phil Buehler of Brosmer Land Surveying also presented a situation on the Howard Lee Henke farm in Dubois and Warrick Counties. The Henkes propose to convey 5.44 acres in Dubois County and an adjacent 23.88 acres in Warrick County to Timothy Meyer, being in total in excess of 10 adjacent acres, but less than 10.0 acres being in Dubois County. An exception to the Dubois County Subdivision Ordinance based on unusual circumstances was requested. Based on these specific facts, on motion duly made and seconded, the exception was granted allowing the transfer of a tract of less than 10 acres in Dubois County where a total in excess of 10 adjacent acres exists in the two Counties.

RE: BUMM'S FIRST ADDITION – JACKSON TOWNSHIP

Phil Buehler of Brosmer Land Surveying submitted a proposed plat of Bumm's First Addition in the SW Quarter of the SW Quarter of Section 34-T2S-R4W, consisting of 3.954 acres, and consisting of one (1) lot. The Highway Engineer stated that the plat met the County Ordinance. On motion duly made and seconded, the plat was approved.

RE: HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR REPORT

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

Equipment Delivery	Reported that filters for the recently purchased excavator have been delivered and payment will be made.
Town of Ireland	Owners of areas involved in road shoulder cuts will be contacted next week.
Equipment Rotation	Trucks #102 and #103 are in need of replacement. Permission granted to trade vehicles through use of quotes.

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Shoulder Work

Shoulder work will be done shortly on Old Petersburg Road, CR 490 W and Club Road.

RE: AMBULANCE BIDS

It being 10:00 am, the time advertised, only one bid was received for purchase of replacement ambulance, being that of Rolland Specialties Vehicles (RSVP) of TOLEDO, Ohio, for \$165,211, less \$3,250 trade-in, for a net price of \$161,961, for on AEV Trauma Hawk III 2014 Chevy G-4500 vehicle. The Commissioners took the bid under advisement and requested the Director to look into use of the trade-in by some other County or by a County law enforcement agency.

RE: SOLAR SOURCES – CR 700 W

Mike Owen of Solar Sources appeared to request closing of CR 700 W north to West Portersville Road West in Boone Township. CR 700 W is currently a rock road. Keith Breidenbaugh of Otwell Water appeared to advise the Commissioners that the Water Company has a water line along CR 700 W. The Commissioners were acceptable to the various issues presented and directed that a hearing be set on the petition to be held on November 4, 2013 at 9:30 am. Solar Sources is to publish notice.

RE: THE RIDGE, REPLAT OF TRACTS 3, 4 & 5 OF SCHMETT ACRES

Nathan Wagner, Cash Wagner, appeared to present a revised plat of The Ridge, a plat previously approved by the Commissioners but subsequently changed by Huntingburg Plan Commission. After discussion of the changes, on motion duly made and seconded the Commissioners approved the revised plat as presented.

RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT CHANGE ORDER

Highway Clerk Ann Messmer appeared to submit the following change orders:

Project DR 13-01: CR 490 W, Increase \$2,447.16

Project DR 13-02: Old Petersburg Rd, <471.05>

On motion duly made and seconded, the change orders for the Dave O'Mara Contractor contracts were approved.

RE: SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

Sheriff Lampert appeared to submit his report of current Department and Security Center activities. He requested permission to trade the chief deputy's vehicle and on motion duly made and seconded, the purchase was approved. He reported on the school walk-thru program, and on expected man-power status, including a new officer. He explained the current status of medical bills for individuals taken to the hospital prior to commitment to the jail, and requested the Commissioners discuss problem with legislation.

RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER'S REPORT

Highway Engineer Heile submitted his report of current Engineering projects at the Highway Department, including:

Kentucky Street . Holland

One parcel on right of way has developed a mortgage problem and solution is being reviewed with INDOT.

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Bridge #114
Cuzco Road South, Culvert

Bridge Inspection
Mill Street Wetland

Seeding on project area is required.
Project started 9-30-12 with floor ready to be poured.
Walls pouring will start this week.
Contract at INDOT for review.
Corp of Engineers is questioning the size of plot being used and the tree count. Project now on hold.

RE: CLAIM – BERNARDIN LOCHMUELLER

Engineer submits claim from Bernardin Lochmueller for services furnished on ADA Transition plan, in the amount of \$6,968.07. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the invoice and authorized payment.

RE: COUNTY HEALTH INSURANCE

Pete Franzman and Carolyn Beck, representing SIHO, submitted a report of prior claims filed under the County Employee Health Plan. It was stated that the County's 2012-13 experiences have been extremely high and the reinsurance claims have increased. Based upon review of past data, the lowest proposal received by the County was submitted by TRU Services. After discussion, on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized execution of Plan Sponsor Disclosure Statement with TRU Services and future execution of a transplant application. Commissioner Uebelhor submitted a proposed Health Wellness Plan for use by the County and its employees.

RE: GIS AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY – CITY OF JASPER

After lengthy discussion, the Commissioners directed the Auditor to submit to the City of Jasper without cost use of the 2013 GIS Aerial Photography as purchased by the County.