

REGULAR MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 2, 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 December 2, 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 Deputy Auditor Sandy Morton. A quorum was declared present and the meeting was opened for business by President Vollmer. Minutes of the November 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 November, 2013 were as follows: Recorder \$15,528.47; Health Department \$36,708.33; Auditor \$4.00; Clerk \$31,907.69. 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: CUMBRIDGE TRANSFER

Ann Messmer appeared to request a transfer from Cum Bridge temporary extra wages to labor in the amount of \$2,000. Upon motion duly made and seconded, motion carried unanimously to approve the transfer.

RE: HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR REPORT

Steve Berg submitted the following report of current Department projects:

Solar Sources	Nothing to report.
Highway Department Christmas Party	Will be held on Friday, December 20. Dinner will be at 12:00 pm.
Excavator Repair	Repair costs came to \$3,100.
Sanitation Site Holiday Hours	Six sites will be open on December 24 & 31 from 8:00 am . 12:00 pm (Jasper, Huntingburg, Ireland, Pine Ridge, Haysville, and Holland).
Gas Boy System	The Computerized system which monitors the fuel at the highway is experiencing issues with importing information. Berg requested permission to start investigating options to upgrade or replace the system. Consensus of the Commissioners was to grant permission for Berg to investigate options.

RE: OFFICE LOCATIONS

Bob Veatch, Coroner, appeared to request a location to house his files, meet with families, etc. Pete Heichelbech, Weights and Measures, also appeared to explain his needs for his equipment storage. Bob Johnson, Veterans Service Officer was also in attendance to explain his need for privacy when meeting with veterans.

Commissioner Vollmer explained the various options he has been investigating. A discussion was held and the Commissioners viewed all the office spaces in question. No decision was made.

RE: DRAINAGE – ST. MARKS

Ken Brosmer reported on a drainage issue in St. Marks. After investigating, it is a residential issue between the two property owners to keep the ditch clean. It is not on county or railroad right of way.

RE: SECURITY OFFICER

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Mike Shaw appeared to discuss the security officer desk on the first floor. Since the desk is not being used, it was the consensus to remove it.

RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BID AWARDS

On motion duly made and seconded, the bids were awarded per Berg's recommendations.

RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER REPORT

Jason Heile submitted his report on the following projects:

Bridge 250	Funding request was approved by Council. A contract was presented from Butler Fairman and Seufert in amount of \$33,950. On motion duly made and seconded, the contract was approved.
Cuzco Rd South	The cast in place box culvert is in place and the road is now open.
Traffic Centers	The new counters have been received.
Mill Street Wetland	Still experiencing issues with wetlands size and tree plantings.

RE: WTH – BALL STATE

Kathy Hopf presented a limited use agreement for Ball State University Hoosier National Forest Wildfire Study. They are requesting use of county GIS data. The researchers will provide any new GIS layers that they create as part of the study with no fee involved. On motion, duly made and seconded, the agreement was approved.

RE: COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Judge McConnell and JP Weisheit presented an Amendment #1 to the Community Corrections Grant for December 2013 . June 2014 in the amount of \$200,000. Based upon the receipt of this grant, Judge McConnell amended the previous request on health insurance for the correction employees. He requested the County to pay for the health insurance to begin July 1, 2014 instead of January 2014. No action was taken at this time. On motion duly made and seconded, the Grant Amendment was approved.

RE: JANUARY MEETINGS

The Commissioners determined that future meetings of the Commissioners will be held on January 6 and January 21, 2014, all meetings to begin at 9:00 am at the Dubois County Courthouse Annex.