

REGULAR MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JULY 22, 2013

The continued 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 July 22, 2013. 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 July 1, 2013, meeting of the Commissioners were approved as presented.

RE: FEHRIBACH'S FIRST ADDITION, BRYAN KEITH FEHRIBACH – KELLERVILLE ROAD

Ken Brosmer, Surveyor, appeared on behalf of Bryan Keith and Debra Mae Fehribach, to submit a proposed plat for Fehribach's First Addition, in the NW quarter NE quarter of Section 18-T1S-R4W in Bainbridge Township. After review, on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the plat, subject to review by the Highway Engineer. The tract is outside the 2 mile City of Jasper jurisdiction.

RE: CR 250 E – SECTION 29-T3S-R4W

Surveyor Brosmer stated that CR 250 E in Section 29-T3S-R4W is an unimproved County Road. The owner of a portion of the Road is requesting permission to add rock to the existing right-of-way. After lengthy discussion, on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved private addition to rock on the roadway to the extent currently in the public road system, subject to completion of permit application to the Highway Department.

RE: ADDITION OF 2 FULL TIME POSITIONS FOR IV-D OFFICE

Bill Shaneyfelt, the County Deputy Prosecutor for the IV-D program appeared to request that two current part-time employees, each exceeding 30 hours of work per week, be classified as full time employees in 2014. The request is being made because of cuts being made in hours to comply with the new Health Care Act. The two individuals spend part of additional time working for the Shaneyfelt Law Office, and are employed for a total of 37 hours per week. After discussion, on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the two employees to be classified as full-time employees, pending approval by the County Council.

RE: HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR REPORT

County Highway Supervisor submitted his report of current Highway Department projects:

Niehaus Drive
Solar Sources

No further information to report
View conducted of CR 580 N reconstruction. Some side ditch grading and shoulder work is required. Additional maintenance and work is required by Coal Company over next two years. During that period, after road settling, paving will be required. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized reopening of the road, with reopening subject to approval by the

Paser Road Evaluation

County Highway Department that all conditions of the Department were satisfied.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the Highway Supervisor to attend a Paser Road evaluation training program at Clarksville on July 30.

Schnellville Community Picnic

Sacred Heart Church has requested road closure of Elm Street from 8:30 am thru 10:00 am for the Schnellville Community Picnic annual walk and run of September 15. On motion made and seconded, the request was approved.

RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER REPORT

Highway Engineer Heile submitted reports on the following projects:

Bridge #114

Bridge beams installed and concrete deck has been started.

Concrete Box Culverts

Project on 720 W is in process with CR 750 W closed, old culvert removed.

Bridge Inspection

Waiting for contract draft

Distressed Road Loan

Contract received from State, receipt of funds should take 3-4 weeks. Discussion held for project bids to be received in late August or first September meeting. On motion made and seconded, the Loan Contract with INDOT was approved and executed.

Federal Land Access Program

After review of the program and size of grant involved, further consideration will not be given to the program.

Culvert Replacement on 400 N

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners accepted the quote of Jones and Sons for \$17,800 for precast box culvert, being the low bid.

Rebar Quotes

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners accepted the bid of Westfield Steel for \$7,474.92 for #4 rebar for inventory, being the lowest bid.

RE: CIRCUIT COURT EMPLOYEES

Judge William Weikert appeared to discuss and advise the Commissioners regarding the Courts CASA program as required by law. The program currently has 27 CASA individuals serving children in need of services. The CASA Administrator currently is working full time hours, although only paid for and authorized for part time employment. The Administrator also serves as a representative for individual children when no volunteer is available. The funding is shared by County and State. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized conversion of the CASA Administrator to a full time position.

Judge Weikert also requested authority to increase Court Reporters from three persons to four persons. The case load of the Court is increasing by 552 cases per year. The additional case load justifies the addition. The addition would require relocation of one wall in the Courts area to provide room for the additional reporter. On motion made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the additional Court Reporter, pending Council approval, and instructed the Judge to contact the Courthouse Custodian regarding the wall relocation.

RE: IRISH ROAD BOWLING

Craig Greulich, representing the St. Patrick's Committee, appeared to request closing of County Roads, except for local traffic, on September 14, 2013, from 12:30 pm to 5:30 pm for the area's annual road bowling project. The course would begin at CR 500 W at CR 570 N and run east on CR 570 N to CR 400 W, thence south on CR 400 W to 500 N, thence west on CR 500 N to CR 550 W, the end of the course. On motion duly made and seconded, the closing of roads were approved, subject to posting of signs to be obtained from Highway Department.

RE: CITY OF JASPER PLANNING

Mayor Seitz of Jasper appeared to invite the Commissioners to attend a Report by City Visions, a consulting firm, regarding future planning in the City of Jasper, to be delivered on August 20, 2013.

RE: CLAIMS

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized payment of the following claims:

- Beam Longest and Neff for \$16,225 for services on Kentucky Street; and,
- DLZ for \$810 for services rendered on Bridge #114 design work.

RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – CHANGE ORDERS

Highway Clerk Ann Messmer submitted the following change orders of Highway Department funds, which on motion made and seconded, were approved:

Project #13-02

HMA Wedge and Level	-\$260.38
Bituminous Material	-\$2,298.40
HMA 12.5 MM Surface	+\$2,570.01
Total Change	\$11.23 Increase

Project #13-06

HMA 9.5 mm Surface	-\$334.55
HMA Wedge and Level	-\$414.56
Bituminous Material	-\$1,762.80
Total Change	\$2,511.91 Decrease

Project #13-07

HMA 12.5 mm Surface	-\$79.24
Bituminous Material	-\$774.80
HMA Wedge and Level	+\$14.51
Total Change	\$839.53 Decrease

Project #13-08

HMA Wedge and Level	-\$176.28
Bituminous Material	-\$1,315.60
HMA 12.5 mm Surface	+\$46.28
Total Change	\$1,445.60 Decrease

RE: COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATION OF COUNTY ORDINANCE#1990-12

Come now Kayley Payne and Ethan Schwoeppe in response to complaint filed (#13-03) for violation of County illegal dump ordinance. Kayley was accompanied by her mother, who agreed to continuation of proceedings against her minor daughter. The County Attorney explained that the County Ordinance imposes a penalty for violation of the Ordinance; and that while the penalty imposed normally is adequate to pay the cost of disposal of the trash involved, in the event of a large dump, a separate proceeding may be required to cover the cost of cleanup. The Solid Waste Director was not present for the hearing and calls were made for his attendance. Being unable to contact the Director, the hearing was continued until the August 5th meeting.

RE: SHERIFF'S JAIL REPORT

Sheriff Lampert submitted his report of current activities at the Security Center. The new roof appears to be holding out water. A request will be made of County Council for additional jailer.

RE: HEALTH SCREENING

On motion duly made and seconded, authorized Memorial Hospital to again conduct annual Employee Health Screening.

RE: APPOINTMENT TO JASPER COMMON WAGE COMMITTEE

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners appointed Michael Witte as the County representative on the Jasper Third Avenue Water Main Replacement Common Construction Wage Committee.

RE: APPOINTMENT TO HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT COMMON WAGE COMMITTEE

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners appointed Jerry Apple, Jason Heile and Stan Jochum to the Common Wage Committee for 2013 paving projects funded with distressed road funds, with Mike Witte as alternate.

RE: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized application for the Emergency management Performance Grant and affirmed to State Homeland Security that local EMA personnel have complied with training and exercise requirements.

RE: PART TIME EMPLOYEES

Due to IRS requirements which will mandate certain positions to be considered as County employees. Auditor Hopf discussed whether those persons would need to undergo drug screens. Currently, all new hires, whether full or part time, are subject to pre-employment drug screening. All of those individuals following under the IRS regulations have been performing services for the County for some time, but were considered independent contractors for tax purposes. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners waived the drug screening for such individuals.

RE: FUTURE COMMISSIONERS MEETINGS

The Commissioners set future meetings of the Commissioners on August 5th and August 19th and on September 3 and September 23rd.

