

REGULAR MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

NOVEMBER 3, 2014

The regular monthly meeting of the Dubois County Commissioners was held in the CommissionersqRoom of the Courthouse Annex in Jasper, Indiana, beginning at 5:15 p.m. (EST) on November 3, 2014. Present were Commissioners Randall L. Fleck, Doug M. Uebelhor and Lawrence M. Vollmer. Also present were Auditor Kathleen M. Hopf, County Surveyor Ken Brosmer, Highway Engineer Brent Wendholt and County Attorney Arthur C. Nordhoff, Jr. A quorum was declared present and the meeting was opened for business by President Fleck. After discussion, minutes of the October, 2014 meetings of the Commissioners previously distributed to the Commissioners were approved as presented. The minutes were then signed. Incomes for the month of October, 2014 were as follows: Recorder \$14,701.53; Health Department \$19,188.03; Auditor \$131.00; Clerk \$39,295.28. 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: DUBOIS STRONG – ED COLE

Ed Cole, the new Director of Dubois Strong, appeared to introduce himself. He stated that the housing study is currently in process. He also reported that VU is currently attempting to organize a program for truck driving instruction. He stated that the purpose of Dubois Strong is the work force within the area and all matters that relate thereto. He stated that the citizens have a positive attitude for the programs, and stated that it is his intent to make quarterly reports to the Commissioners.

RE: CR 525 W – NORTH OF SR 64 – BRIAN MEYER

Brian Meyer appeared to discuss a highway entrance to his property off of CR 525 W. The entry has been causing water to overflow onto the County Road. He reported that the pipe in his entry is 15+ culvert and that a nearby entry to an electric substation is partially blocked. Brent Wendholt confirmed that the Meyer culvert is a 15+, but stated that an 18+culvert is required to prevent flooding of the CR. Meyer stated that the County approved the 15+culvert when installed and that he would request that the County install a used 18+culvert, when available. The Engineer states that a complaint has been received about the flooding. Meyer stated that when installed originally, the pipe used was furnished by the County. He requested further investigation of the problem. The Engineer was instructed to inspect the site at the next storm to determine and document the flood.

RE: THIRD FLOOR COURTROOM

The President reported that Judge William Weikert has been advised by the Supreme Court that upon his retirement from the Circuit Court he will be appointed as Senior Judge. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners granted Judge Weikert use of the 3rd floor Judicial office and Courtroom.

RE: CR 100 W

Brad Eckerle appeared on behalf of Adolph A Begle Jr. to file a proposed plat for Begle's First Addition in Cass Township on 3.736 acres in the N1/2 N1/2 SE NE Section 26-T3S-R5W, with dedicated acreage of .079 acres. He explained the current public road access to the site. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the Plat as submitted.

RE: GRAMELSPACHER DITCH

County Surveyor Brosmer discussed Gramelspacher Ditch in Madison Township, being a public ditch ending at Flat Creek. It was agreed that the Surveyor will determine current property owners and will inspect the Ditch.

RE: EMPLOYEE MEDICAL (DRUG) PLAN

Carolyn Beck of SIHO appeared to present a schedule from CVS Caremark on drug purchases under the Employee Medical Plan, showing a savings of \$37,646 or 7.5% over the current True RX plan. The Commissioners requested the proposed gross cost for 2015 from True RX plan.

Carolyn Beck also submitted the proposed Contracts for the 2015 coverage approved by the Commissioners at the October 20 Commissioners meeting.

RE: MEMORIAL HOSPITAL – HEALTH SCREENING

Representatives from Memorial Hospital appeared to report that 180 employees had participated in the health screening, as compared with 37 employees last year. It was determined by the Commissioners that a letter be sent by the insurance company informing those employees not participating that they will be subject to a higher medical deductibility during 2015.

RE: HIGHWAY ENGINEER REPORT

Highway Engineer Wendholt submitted the following report:

Bridge #250 (Ruxer)	Currently setting forms for outside deck. Will pour concrete. The project is approximately ½ complete.
Resolution on Federal Water Control	Draft of Resolution to Corp of Engineers was, on motion duly made and seconded, approved and signed.
Butler Fairman and Seufert Claim	The Engineer reported that due to change in INDOT rules, additional bridge inspections are required in 2015 and a claim has been filed for additional inspections in amount of \$1,248. On motion duly made and seconded, the claim and resulting Supplement to the Agreement were approved.
Change Order	The Engineer submitted a proposed change order on Project #14-10 on CR 450 N, showing a decrease in contract cost of \$879.70. On motion duly made and seconded, the change order was approved.
Softwork Training	On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized Ann Messmer and Wanda Beck to attend a seminar at French Lick on November 14, 2014, on computer software.

RE: USE OF COURTHOUSE

The Auditor advised the Commissioners that the Jasper Downtown Merchants had requested use of the Courthouse basement restrooms on December 5, 6 and 7 during the Christmas program, and for use of the west Courthouse parking area for Santa's Workshop from November 26 thru January 10. Both uses are subject to the same conditions previously agreed to between the Merchants and the Courthouse Custodian.

RE: COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS REPAIRS

The Auditor advised the Commissioners that the County Council had approved requested funding for repairs at the County Community Corrections Center as approved by the Commissioners at their October 20, 2014 meeting. The Center was authorized to proceed with the repairs as previously submitted to the Commissioners.

RE: FUTURE MEETINGS

The Commissioners set the following future meetings of the Commissioners, each to begin at 5:15 pm, to be held at the Courthouse Annex: November 18th, December 9th and December 22nd.