

DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OCTOBER 20, 2014

The continued monthly meeting of the Dubois County Commissioners was held in the Commissionersq Room of the Courthouse Annex in Jasper, Indiana, beginning at 5:15 p.m. (EST) on October 20, 2014. Present were Commissioners Randall L. Fleck, Doug M. Uebelhor and Lawrence M. Vollmer. Also present were Auditor Kathleen M. Hopf, 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. Minutes of the October 6, 2014, meeting of the Commissioners were approved as presented.

RE: BROCKMAN ROAD

Alex Mlsna appeared to request removal of tree limbs from County Park property hanging over Brockman Road in Jackson Township. The south side of the Brockman Road has a power line from Dubois REC which might be affected by the cut. The Engineer stated that he will contact Dubois REC in an attempt to work out a solution.

RE: COUNTY DITCHES

Ken Brosmer, County Surveyor, submitted his report of cleanup of County (Public) Ditches. He reported that the log jam at the Southern RR bridge has been cleaned.

RE: SIHO INSURANCE

Carolyn Beck and Brad Franzman, representing SIHO Insurance Services, and the Franzman Insurance Agency, appeared to discuss the past services provided for the employee health insurance program, including account management, employee services and claim administration, program options and additional services. She submitted a proposal effective 11/1/14, listing coverage under a TRU Services proposal. Based on deductible level of \$75,000, and stop loss basis of 36/12, the proposed cost would be \$77.22 (Employee) and \$181.11 (Family), except as to one employee with on-going medical problems, the coverage would have a stop gap of \$165,000 and \$65,973.60 administrative fee for a total fixed cost of \$423,292.56, being a 7.7% fixed cost reduction. Annual max claims were projected to be \$2,820,745, with annual expected claims to be \$2,256,596, resulting in total annual exposure to be \$3,244,038 and expected exposure to be \$2,679,889 for an increase of 8.6%, or an expected exposure (with the one on-going patient) at \$3,334,038 for an increase of 7.1%. On motion duly made, based on savings using SIHO proposal option #1, seconded, and by unanimous vote, the Board accepted the proposal by SIHO/Franzman for Proposal #1 effective 11/1/14 for one year.

RE: REPLAT OF OLD SHILOH PLACE SUBDIVISION

Brad Eckerle submitted a proposed plat of a Replat of Old Shiloh Place, in Madison Township, with the replat to reduce the east lot line of Lot #1 and extend the Lot #2 lot west line. On motion duly made and seconded, the plat plan as proposed was approved, subject to final approval by the Jasper Zoning Board.

RE: COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

J.P. Weisheit and Jerry Gramelspacher appeared to submit to the Commissioners three proposals for repair work at the Community Corrections Center, which work was proposed by Gramelspacher, who provides custodian services on a part time basis. The following proposals were received:

	<u>Repair</u>		<u>LED Lights</u>
Krempp Construction	\$89,350	+	\$825
Jasper Lumber	\$71,705	+	\$877
Seufert Construction	\$69,800	+	\$990

After consideration by the Commissioners, on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved the Seufert Construction proposal for repair and lights, subject to providing of funds by the County Council.

RE: TRUE RX – PHARMACY

Mark Williams of True RX Pharmacy appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the current County drug program. He explained that 4 participants are on specialty drugs which account for 30+% of the total program cost. He explained the cost difference between Generics and Brand name drugs.

RE: SECURITY CENTER REPORT

Sheriff Lampert appeared to submit the jail report for the prior month and to submit a report of deputy activities. He reported that a generator has been rebuilt, that replacement vehicles have been received, and that student presentations have been made.

RE: LIBERTY NATIONAL INSURANCE

Alex Radu, representing Liberty National Life Insurance Company, appeared to discuss the group term life insurance offered by his Company and proposes to sell to County employees. Included would be life insurance, additional coverage and cancer insurance. They offered to provide a \$3,000 policy to every employee interviewed, free of charge, as long as they are employed by the County. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the Company to present their term life insurance coverage to employees.

RE: BAND BOOSTERS 5K

Craig Taylor representing the Southridge Band Boosters requested permission to close West Sunset Drive on October 25 from 9:00 am to 10:30 am for holding a 5K race between Southridge and CR 400 W. On motion made and seconded, permission to close the road was granted.

RE: ENGINEER REPORT

Highway Engineer Wendholt submitted the following report of Highway projects:

Transfer of Funds

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners authorized the following transfer of funds in the Highway Department's accounts:

From . Geotextile Line Item	\$8,500
To . Road Signs	\$4,000
Tools & Equipment	\$4,500

Kentucky Street (Holland)

The following claims have been submitted by Beam Longest and Neff for service rendered:

Preliminary Engineering	\$6,340
Utility Coordination	\$562.84

And the following claim has been submitted by the Town of Holland for reimbursement for cost of utility relocation \$61,037.74. On motion duly made and seconded, the 3 claims were approved and payment was authorized.

Bridge #250 (Ruxer)

Copings are removed, holes for rebar have been drilled, project will be delayed for a day or two due to injury of the job Superintendent.

Asphalt Paving

Project 14-10 (CR 450N) has been completed, with stripe work and shoulder stone addition still required.

Bridge on CR 400 W

Bridge replacement, all shoulder and approach work completed.

CR 575 W

Complaint has been received about water flowing across County Road during periods of rain. Inspection by Engineer reveals that problem is caused by installation of too small of culvert by property owner in road ditch. Owner to be instructed to replace culvert.

Clean Water Act

The Engineer advised that EPA and Corps of Engineers are attempting to impose new rules which would grossly expand federal jurisdiction over small streams and creeks and ditches, having a large impact on the Highway system. The Engineer is to prepare a resolution objecting to the proposed action.

RE: TAX ABATEMENT REVIEW BOARD

Commissioner Fleck advised that a petition for Tax Abatement had been filed with the Board by Temple . Inland, the parent company of his employment. Fleck sits as a member of the Board and must remove himself from any proceedings regarding the above. On motion made and seconded, the Commissioners appointed Larry Vollmer as the Commissioners representative to the Abatement Board for purpose of the Temple . Inland petition.

RE: COUNTY POLICY – E – CIGARETTES

The Auditor advised the Commissioners for its position regarding the use of E-Cigarettes in areas of County property on which smoking is currently prohibited. After discussion, it was the determination of the Commissioners that E-Cigarettes would come under the same restriction as any other smoking materials.

RE: ANNEX WATER PROBLEM

The Auditor advised the Commissioners that the Emergency Management offices in the Courthouse Annex were again subject to water damage during recent heavy rains. The problem was again discussed by the Commissioners and the Custodian was authorized to correct the problem. The Commissioners reviewed proposals from the last damage event and authorized the Custodian to engage the services of those companies which had submitted repair proposals at the time: Jasper Lumber \$1,500 and Perma Dry \$4,550.

RE: FAMILY HEALTH INSURANCE – DEDUCTIBLE

Due to the increase in deductibility for participants in the County Employee Health Benefits program who do not participate in the Wellness Program to \$750, the Commissioners discussed whether the deductibility would apply only to the employee or all members under that family policy. After discussion, on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners determined that \$750 deduction could be apportioned between the members of the employees family covered by the coverage, and the Auditor was instructed to so inform the Health Care provider.

RE: CELL PHONES

The Auditor advised the Commissioners that she has been in negotiations with Verizon for the establishment of a single plan for all County owned phones. Such a plan would result in a uniform plan for all users and would result in a cost savings for the County. The Commissioners authorized establishment of such a plan.

RE: REBATE

The Auditor advised the Commissioners that the County had recently received a rebate from the County Drug plan in the amount of \$2,106.06.

RE: AVIATION DESIGN SERVICE

At the request of the Huntingburg Airport administration, the Commissioners authorized WTH to release to Aviation Design Service the GIS data for the Huntingburg Airport, the same to be used for services being provided for the Airport Board.

RE: 2014 COMMISSIONERS' SALE OF TAX CERTIFICATES

After reviewing the 8 tracts remaining unsold at the 2014 Tax Sale, and having received report from the Engineer of having inspected the 8 sites and finding no environmental problems on motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners established a minimum sale price on seven of those tracts (excluding the .47 acre tract at 501 S Cherry, Huntingburg) as being \$60 per tract, and the minimum sale price for said tract at 501 S Cherry, Huntingburg, to \$2,500, and the Auditor is authorized to conduct the sale of 8 sites in the manner prescribed by statute.

RE: NEXT COMMISSIONERS MEETING

The next meetings of the Commissioners will be held on November 3, and November 18, 2014, each meeting to be held at the Courthouse Annex and to begin at 5:15 pm.