

DECATUR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 16, 2006

The Commissioners opened their October 16th meeting with the following present: Jerome Buening- President, Charles Buell, John Richards and Bridgett Weber-Auditor.

The October 2nd meeting minutes were approved as read.

Mark Mohr, Decatur County Highway Department, presented a blacktop report. The Local Road & Street Fund will be receiving approximately \$800,000.00 from Major Moves for blacktop projects. Highway Department is continuing work on Anderson Street. Mr. Mohr also reported that truck hauling to and from the Honda site has improved.

Mike Waldron, Butler Fairman & Seufert provided a report on Bridge #19. The historic information has been sent to the federal level. Mr. Waldron will continue to provide monthly reports to the Commissioners.

Claims were approved.

Larry Fair, John Semyen (Plant Manager) and Joe Crank of M & S Precision discussed their local customer base and expansion of future employees. M&S along with KS Bearings are preparing to renovate space in the KS building for M&S to lease. Mr. Fair requested that EDIT funding be available for the renovation costs. Mr. Buell recommended M&S discuss this request with the County Council.

Tina Hoeing, Community Action Coalition provided recommendations for approval of the 2007 grant requests. Mr. Buell moved to approve 2007 funding at \$41,350.00, Mr. Richards seconded and Mr. Buening concurred.

Francis Geis, Washington Township Assessor and Ginny Whipple will be discussing the possibility of using Mrs. Whipple's services to the County Council at their meeting on October 17th.

Pam Blasdel, Emergency Management reported that Homeland Security has provided 10 Laptops to first responders in Decatur County. Mrs. Blasdel is also looking into additional grant monies to supply the volunteer fire departments with laptops.

Bob Barker, Parks Department discussed the dredging of the lake. Bill Cash with Force Construction was also present to discuss the amended DNR permit being submitted due to the elevation change in the lake. Once the permit is approved and weather permitting, dredging will begin.

Peg Polanski, Doug Banks and the Commissioners discussed the specifications for the new ambulance. Bid opening will be November 6th at 9:00am.

Bill Ulerich, Quality Plumbing and Heating discussed the quote to install new furnaces at the Sheriff's Department. Commissioners gave QPH permission to begin installing the new units.

With nothing further to come before the Commissioners, Mr. Richards moved to recess, Mr. Buell seconded and Mr. Buening concurred.

Jerome Buening, President

Attest: _____

Date: _____