DECATUR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MAY 7, 2007

The Decatur County Commissioners opened their May 7th meeting with following present: Charles Buell- President, Jerome Buening, John Richards and Bridgett Weber - Auditor.

The April 16th meeting minutes were approved as read.

Mark Mohr – Highway Department asked Commissioners to accept all bids for the 2007 Road Projects. Mr. Buening moved to accept all bids for Hot mix and Cold mix, Mr. Richards seconded and Mr. Buell concurred. Mr. Mohr also presented the recommendation for the Westport Covered Bridge Festival that was discussed at a previous meeting. Ron May – Aecon is performing 2007 Bridge Inspections and made a recommendation to close Bridge #115. Mr. Richards moved to close Br #115, Mr. Buening seconded and Mr. Buell concurred. A driveway permit ordinance has been in place for a while; Mr. Mohr wants to talk with Ms. Polanski to do away with driveway ordinance. The driveway permits are now covered by the Highway Standards and Drainage Ordinance.

The dissolution of the Town of Milford was discussed. Signage and speed bump will need to be controlled. Monies were also discussed. Mr. Mohr will continue to look into the particulars more in depth.

Claims are approved

Jeffrey Smith - City of Greensburg was present to discuss a sewer line easement. Mr. Richards moved to give the City of Greensburg a 20ft easement for a sewer line near Pavy Stockyards, Mr. Buening seconded and Mr. Buell concurred. Ms. Polanski presented a right-of-way easement for signature.

Bryan Robbins, Hott City wanted to give update for Farmer’s Market. There will also be music in the Gazebo starting this Friday.

Karen Higginbotham - Carousel Play and Learn Center discussed how the daycare facility operates. Carousel is the only licensed day care in the county. Center had to purchase a mini bus to be compliant for state standards. Ms. Higginbotham requested assistance from the city and county on a yearly basis for $15,000.00. Commissioners recommended that she attend the next Council meeting to see if would fund the request.

Larry Howard – Health Dept is requesting additional help to maintain Ordinance 2004-5. Commissioners requested the Health Board bring in part-time help to maintain the ordinance. Commissioners asked Mr. Howard to attempt to do as much as possible until that time.

Contracts for 2008 from Quality Plumbing and Heating were discussed. Mr. Buening moved to sign contract with QPH for 2008, Mr. Richards seconded and Mr. Buell concurred.

Mr. Buening presented resolution for the Regional Water District. Mr. Buening moved to sign this resolution, Mr. Richards seconded and Mr. Buell concurred.

Pepper Cooper - Maverick Insurance discussed the Property and Casualty Insurance renewal. Mr. Cooper is checking on pricing for the renewal; pricing should be the same cost for the 2007-2008 year. Mr. Cooper will be present at the meeting on May 21st to submit contracts for renewal.

Pam Blasdel - EMA is acquiring additional grant monies for laptops for EMA. 17 could be purchased or 12 and then rest could be used for GIS link to state. The volunteer fire departments would each like a laptop. There were not enough for the first round with the first 10 received. Mr. Richards moved to sign the grant application to Homeland Security, Mr. Buening seconded and Mr. Buell concurred.

Ms. Blasdel also gave update on training exercises being performed for our district.


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

Charles Buell, President