The Decatur County Commissioners opened their November 5th meeting with following present: Charles Buell-President, Jerome Buening, John Richards and Bridgett Weber-Auditor.

The October 15th meeting minutes were approved as corrected.

Mark Mohr – Highway Department asked Commissioners to rollover bid with Asphalt Materials for RS2 and Commissioners agreed. Discussed snow removal around the courthouse for 2007-08 seasons; Mr. Mohr would like to consider not cleaning the area around the monuments. Commissioners will discuss this with Mr. Mohr further at a later date. Mr. Mohr provided a memorandum of understanding on Bridge #19 from Butler Fairman & Seufert for signatures.

Mr. Mohr introduced Harry Fox with Wilbur Smith Associates. Mr. Fox introduced himself and his company and the work they have completed for the Honda Project with transportation. John Carr of Wilbur Smith Associates discussed his involvement with historic bridge preservation and the Section 106 process. Mr. Buell expressed his concerns with the bridges Decatur County has currently in the system to be replaced and Mr. Carr explained some options.

Mary Vail - Recorder discussed with the Commissioners the need for the Recorder’s Office to make a change in software vendor’s for her office. Mrs. Vail has chosen CSI and will be paying for this software and maintenance from Recorder’s Perpetuation Fund and Redacting Funds. Ms. Polanski provided a letter from the Commissioners to end the contract with Manatron. Ms. Polanski recommended that the Commissioners not sign a contract with CSI until they can get confirmation from Manatron that they will allow the Recorder out of her contract and Commissioners agreed.

Joy Krutel – PVT John W. Shaw Statue Restoration Project provided information about PVT Shaw and the process it will take to restore his grave stone.

Vicki Kellerman provided an update of EDC and thanked them for providing more funding for 2008 that allowed them to hire an assistant that she introduced today.

Judy Curd – Downtown Development provided an update of Christmas events. Would like to sell Christmas Trees on the square and asked John Richards to sell trees during that time.

Mr. Richards moved to hire Umbaugh to provided hourly services to the Auditor and Assessor for tax abatements and investment deductions Mr. Buening seconded and Mr. Buell concurred.

Mr. Richard moved to have the Highway Department clear all sidewalks Mr. Buening seconded and Mr. Buell concurred.

Joey Roberts provided the Commissioners with an update on the soccer fields. Dirt work has been performed.

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

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Charles Buell, President

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