

DECATUR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**DECEMBER 3, 2007**

The Decatur County Commissioners opened their December 3rd meeting with following present: Charles Buell- President, Jerome Buening, John Richards and Bridgett Weber-Auditor.

The November 19th meeting minutes were approved as read.

Mark Mohr – Highway Department asked Commissioners to allow Rush County Stone to rollover 2007 bids for 2008 and Commissioners agreed. Mr. Mohr requested that the snow blower be kept at the courthouse for easy access for the highway department. Mr. Buell has a key and will open doors for access to the sally port.

Claims were approved.

Shannon McLeod introduced herself as working for several non-profit agencies and living in Decatur County. Ms. McLeod is currently helping the Free Clinic, Community Action Coalition, Bread of Life, and Division of Family Services to find a location for all of these agencies to be at one location for cost savings purposes. Ms. McLeod is looking to apply for a Planning Grant from Rural Affairs after approval from the Commissioners. Mr. Buell would like to discuss this again at their meeting January 8th.

Toni Collins, Bill Alloy and Paul Dunagan were present to discuss the possibility of utilizing committee members to appoint new members to the Hospital Board when needed. Mr. Dunagan will not seek another term on the Hospital Board. Dr. Albers has been elected to be Chief of Staff for the Hospital and Mary McCullough has offered to stay on the board for 2008 and 2009 since Dr. Albers does not live in Decatur County

Tim Ortman a representative of the IT Committee and Randall Frye of Blue River Telecommunications presented information on the upgrade of the courthouse telephone system. Commissioners agreed to go with the recommendation of the IT Committee to purchase equipment for the upgrade from Blue River Telecommunications. Commissioners requested IT Committee discuss funding for upgrade with County Council at their next meeting.

Sheriff Daryl Templeton will ask the County Council for additional appropriations for Janitorial Staff at the Sheriff's Department.

Mr. Buening moved to sign a contract with Secure Products Group for \$101,149.00, Mr. Richards seconded and Mr. Buell concurred.

Mr. Richards moved to appoint Jerome Buening to the Regional Water District Board and Mr. Buell concurred. Mr. Buening moved to appoint David Stults to the Regional Water District as a joint county appointment and Mr. Richards seconded and Mr. Buell concurred.

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

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Charles Buell, President

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