

DECATUR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

September 15, 2008

The Decatur County Commissioners opened their September 15th meeting with following present: John Richards, President, Charles Buell, Jerome Buening and Bridgett Weber-Auditor.

The September 2nd meeting minutes were approved as read.

Ron May - Aecon provided an update to the Commissioners on bridges. On Bridge #18 Mr. May suggested having an interested parties meeting. Mr. May feels the county has accommodated Historic Preservation in the past. The recommendation from this meeting will likely be rehabilitating the existing structure. Mr. May indicated that transportation is increasing everywhere and the county should be able to build an up to date structure at a lower cost to taxpayers than rehabilitation. Bridge #80 located on the east county line has lost stone and mortar and is currently closed. The structure could be reopened by repainting surface and tightening all areas. Bridge #131 currently has deck removed; Highway Department is setting the new beams and decking. Bridge #30 on Vandalia Road currently has its foundation washed out and is closed.

Judge Westhafer requested a room on the first floor for the Courthouse Security Officer that will be starting this week. Commissioners will consider the request if a space becomes available.

Carrie Baldwin – ADAPT explained this program and how it is associated with courts and probation. State assistance has been lost and Ms. Baldwin is the sole provider for this service in Decatur County. Ms. Baldwin is requesting some assistance from the county to continue this service. Commissioners will take this request under advisement.

Bryan Robbins requested the use of the county parking lot for the Farmer’s Market on Friday during the Fall Festival and Commissioners agreed.

Mr. Buell moved to sign the easement documents for the Lincoln Street Project on the Health Department property, Mr. Buening seconded and Mr. Richards concurred.

Mr. Buell moved to recess, Mr. Buening seconded and Mr. Richards concurred.

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John Richards, President

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