

DECATUR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

March 2, 2009

The Decatur County Commissioners opened their March 2nd, 2009 meeting with the following present: Jerome Buening, President, John Richards, Rick Nobbe and Bridgett Weber – Auditor

The February 16th 2009 meeting minutes were approved as corrected.

Midwest Engineers was present to provide an update on the utility sleeve project. A pay request was presented. Midwest Mole is requesting payment for the sleeve work completed thus far. Mr. Nobbe moved to pay a claim voucher of \$97,715.40 to Midwest Mole, Inc., Mr. Richards seconded and Mr. Buening concurred.

Mark Mohr – Highway Superintendent reported that government stimulus plan may help replace decking for 6 bridges and Old 421. Mr. Richards moved to sign applications to INDOT for federal stimulus monies, Mr. Nobbe seconded and Mr. Buening concurred. Mr. Mohr reported that O'Mara Contractors has been contracted by REX Pipe Line to make road repairs. Mr. Mohr has applied to INDOT to refurbish Bridge #2 which is an arch concrete bridge; this bridge did not qualify for replacement. The Highway Department's durapatchers will be running later this week to make repairs to holes created over the winter months.

Pepper Cooper – Maverick Insurance provided a spreadsheet showing health insurance renewal information. Mr. Cooper thanked the Commissioners for allowing him to go out and renegotiate the reinsurance. Mr. Cooper also reported that the property and casualty renewal process has begun with preparations to do an audit so they can receive multiple bids for renewal in May. On March 11th SIHO will be here to talk to employees about changes in health insurance for 2009. Mr. Nobbe moved to allow SIHO to use its current vendors for Decatur County Health benefits, Mr. Richards seconded and Mr. Buening concurred.

Mary McCarty - SIRPC was present to ask Commissioners to sign an inter local agreement for the Child Advocacy Center that will service Decatur County but will be located in Dillsboro. Mr. Richards moved to sign inter local cooperation agreement with Region 15 for the Children's Advocacy Center, Mr. Nobbe seconded and Mr. Buening concurred.

David Neuman – APC Director presented a rezone petition for Chris Chapman from A-1 to A-2 for 2.99 acres for signatures.

Sherry Lee – Discussed opening a youth center in Decatur County. Commissioners asked that Ms. Lee keep them up to date with the progress in opening a center.

Beth Blasdel – Vice Chairman of the Workforce Development Board presented options to Commissioners for a person to serve on this board as an elected official and be available for meetings in this region. Mr. Richards moved to sign Workforce Investment Act Agreement, Mr. Nobbe seconded and Mr. Buening concurred.

Tami Wenning – Assessor presented sealed bids for Reassessment. Ms. Wenning is recommending the Commissioners sign a contract with Ad Valorem Solutions LLC for \$371,000.00. Mr. Nobbe moved to accept the contract with Ad Valorem for \$371,195.00, Mr. Richards seconded and Mr. Buening concurred.

Vicki Kellerman – EDC Director provided an update for the business loan revolving fund. Currently 13 companies have shown an interest in these monies available. The review committee will make a decision later this week. Ms. Kellerman also reported that a code name company has expressed an interest in locating in Decatur County providing 1300 jobs with a \$300,000,000 investment.

Hugh Miller – EMA Director thanked the Commissioners for appointing Pam Blasdel to the Health Department Board. Mr. Miller thinks that her Centers for Disease Control education will benefit the health department.

Mr. Richards moved to approve the road route for March 14th rally be approved for the Republican Party with the proceeds going to the Cheer Fund, Mr. Nobbe seconded and Mr. Buening concurred.

Mr. Nobbe discussed with the Courthouse Security Officer the need for the basement to keep public records separate from the private records. At the next IT Meeting on April 15th a discussion will be raised to do some spring cleaning in the basement.

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

Jerome Buening, President

Attest: _____

Date: _____