

Commissioners Meeting
April 2, 2018 8:00 a.m.

Present: Rick Nobbe and Mark Koors

Mr Nobbe called the April 2nd, 2018 Commissioners meeting in session. He announced **Title VI voluntary survey forms** are available on the table by the door for whoever would like to complete and turn into the Auditor's office.

The March 19th meeting minutes were reviewed and approved as presented. Mr Koors moved to approve the payroll claims and regular claims and Mr Nobbe seconded the motion.

Highway Superintendent Mark Mohr reported the **Community Crossings Grant monies** have been received and deposited by the Auditor's office. Bids were received two weeks ago by **United Consulting for Bridge 168**. The low bid of \$815,922.60 submitted by **Paul Rowe Company**, was \$50,000 higher than the estimates. **INDOT** has agreed to the \$50,000 increase which in turn changes the twenty percent match money the Highway Department must budget. **Dave Richter of United** stated there wouldn't be any benefit to rebidding the project and may subject the 'bid' increases in material costs. Both Commissioners were fine with Mr Mohr sending a letter to **INDOT** recommending **Paul Rowe Company** be awarded the Bridge 168 project contract. This project is to be completed by October 2018. Hopefully **INDOT** has signed the inspection agreement for Bridge 168; then everything should be in place for that project. Mr Mohr will meet with **County Surveyor Andy Scholle and County Attorney Ken Bass** on an easement matter in the town of Burney. Commissioners approved Mr Mohr's request to advertise and accept sealed bids for a 1994 3500 truck no longer used/needed. Highway crews are putting up ordinance signage today for detours due to the **South State Road 3** closure beginning at County Road 800 South by **Pioneer Seeds**. Mr Mohr hopes those signs will keep folks on the correct routes since there aren't any official/unofficial detours.

Area Plan Director Krista Duvall didn't have any petitions to present. She did remind the Commissioners about the **April 4th APC, 6:30 pm and BZA, 7:00 pm meetings**.

Area Plan Building Inspector Kenny Buening completed 20 building inspections since the last Commissioners meeting; he also has issued 11 new building permits and reviewed several plans. Kenny has received a 'notice of permit issued' to **Raver Ready Mix Concrete**- there was some confusion at the State as Joe Raver had applied for a new permit in Morristown and a renewal in New Point. On March 22nd, he attended a code class on testing ready-mix; March 26th, he visited Mrs Shields at her West State Road 46 property to investigate a complaint sent by **IDEM** after they had received a complaint stating the property was a junkyard. Kenny stated the property owner/family will get the property cleaned up as her health permits. He will continue to monitor the progress. On March 28th Ms Duvall received a complaint on someone supposedly has twenty pit bulls on a property at Lake McCoy. Kenny went to the property, but didn't see any pit bulls. He reported the successful bidder on Lot 18 at the March 24th Lake McCoy auction has demolished the house.

The **Decatur County Right to Life** submitted a "Request for Use of Facilities" for May 26th thru June 2nd. They plan to erect a "Cemetery of the Innocents" white crosses on the southwest corner of the Courthouse lawn. Mr Koors moved to approve the request and Mr Nobbe seconded the motion.

Visitors and Tourism Board member Bill Smith's term expired in December 31, 2017, but he agreed to continue until the County Commissioners found a successor. **Director Gary Herbert** recommended Daniel Fayette who is a graduate of **Ball State University** and is now a local business owner. Mr Koors moved to appoint Daniel Fayette to the **Visitors and Tourism Board** effective immediately and Mr Nobbe seconded the motion. Mr Nobbe thanked Bill Smith for his many years of service and leadership on the **Visitors and Tourism Board**.

Decatur County Clerk Adina Roberts emailed a request to establish all poll workers per diem pay commencing with the 2018 election year. The Commissioners approved three poll locations for Greensburg's eight precincts plus Clinton Township. These precincts are not being combined; each of the three poll locations would have three precincts voting there. Four additional poll workers, two assistant clerks and two sheriffs, will be needed for these three precincts. Mr Koors moved to approve the order establishing the poll workers pay and Mr Nobbe seconded the motion.

Mr Nobbe gave a brief update: the Mayor is working on a new soccer field, relocating from Washington School- Spring soccer playing on field south of Sheriff's building, not sure where the Fall soccer will be played- working on alternate fields; the soil core sampling has been completed for new jail building.

Mr Bass presented a "**resolution of Decatur County Building Corporation**" to the Commissioners for adoption and to appoint three people to serve as members of this building corp. The **Building Corporation** will own the ground and the new jail building for bonding purposes. The County Council will also need to adopt this resolution. Mr Koors moved to approve the resolution and Mr Nobbe seconded the motion. Mr Bass will draw up a petition to obtain fifty or more land owners signatures requesting the Lease of the jail by the Commissioners.

Chris Grabosky of Maxwell Construction reported the soil borings at the new jail site indicated higher water levels than expected and saturated soils. These are all manageable but may pose additional costs in the future.

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

The next Commissioners meeting will be April 16th, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.

Richard J Nobbe, President

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Date: _____