

**Commissioners Meeting  
May 7, 2018 8:00 a.m.**

**Present: Rick Nobbe, Jerome Buening and Mark Koors**

**Mr Nobbe** called the May 7<sup>th</sup>, 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.

Mr Buening moved to approve the meeting minutes for April 16<sup>th</sup>, Mr Koors seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Mr Koors moved to approve the accounts payable claims and the payroll claims as presented. Mr Buening seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred.

**Highway Superintendent Mark Mohr** shared his concerns about a local ordinance addressing overweight vehicles using 'official or unofficial detours' due to **INDOT's Highway projects** each year. He contacted Sheriff Greg Allen about issuing traffic tickets for those vehicles over 26,000 pounds using detour routes. Sheriff Allen stated he did contact the **State Police Motor Carrier Division** who did come down to assess the problem since the Sheriff's Deputies are not certified to 'weigh the vehicles in question' nor do they have any means to weigh a vehicle. He suggested amending our local ordinance to state 'gross vehicle weight rating' which would give his department the authority to stop and ticket a vehicle with a license plate for over 26,000 pounds on those detour routes. Once the Commissioners adopt the amended ordinance, it does have to be advertised in the local newspapers two times, a week apart since fines/penalties are involved. Mr Mohr reported the **USI** scoring has been done on the County's part of the Bridge #236; the next step is to negotiate a contract. He asked the Commissioners to consider adding the bridge on Washington Street as a local project and have **USI** do some projections for that bridge. Mr Nobbe agreed there's interest to have **USI** do that. Commissioners discussed asking **INDOT** if they would consider 'trading' the dead-end part of State Road 46 leading to Jonathan and Sara Galbraith's property to the County Highway and **INDOT** would add the County's part of Old 421 between Greensburg and **Love's Truck Stop**. Commissioners agreed to apply for available monies in **INDOT's local Trax program**.

**Area Plan Director Krista Duvall** did not have anything to bring before the Commissioners'

**Area Plan Building Inspector Kenny Buening** presented his report covering the three weeks since the Commissioners' last meeting. He completed 57 building inspections; issued 21 new building permits plus plan reviews that goes with each permit. He addressed 3 complaints: sent a letter to property owner in Sandusky; took pictures of the other two- called the property owners about clean up. One individual had 5 open permits, 4 of which had expired; so Kenny did final inspections to close those out. He provided copies of ADA bathroom specs for a builder in St Paul to install fixtures at the proper heights. On May 4<sup>th</sup> he received a complaint on a structure being built without a building permit; so that project was 'red tagged'. Also on May 4<sup>th</sup>, a complaint was received about vehicles and trash on a property in Clarksburg. Kenny contacted the property owner who agreed to get it cleaned up.

**Steve Leist of Assured Partners NL** came today looking for final approval of the insurance quote for the County's property and casualty liability insurance. Mr Koors moved to approve the renewal property, casualty and liability insurance with **Assured Partners**. Mr Buening seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred.

The Commissioners signed the Auditor's report on the **Congressional Township, Common School and Permanent Endowment Funds to the Department of Education**.

Upon receiving a letter from the **Greensburg-Decatur County Contractual Public Library**, Mr Buening moved to reappoint Judy Cupp for another four-year term. Mr Koors seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Mr Nobbe reported an issue, other than a fire, with the Courthouse fire alarm system dialing **911** instead of the **Greensburg Fire Department**. **Sheriff Greg Allen** agreed to take care of it since it was supposed to be taken care of a month ago.

Mr Nobbe gave a brief outline on the May 4<sup>th</sup> conference call with Tim Sutton and Matt Eckerle of **H J Umbaugh and Associates** on where we are in the process of selling bonds through a competitive sale or

a negotiated sale to fund the new jail project- the advantages vs disadvantages of both; Mr Eckerle also provided a list of qualified banks for the Commissioners to choose from to serve as the County's 'trustee bank' to 'handle the proceeds' from the bond sales.

Mr Nobbe announced there will be a **Myla's Mission-** a 5k run on May 19<sup>th</sup> 9:00 – 10:00 am, from the hospital out to Montgomery Road.

The Commissioners and Auditor agreed to complete questionnaires for **EMA's Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan.**

Mr Buening and Mr Koors agreed for Mr Nobbe to sign an agreement with **Christopher Burke and Associates** to fund one-half of the costs to develop plans and scope of work for bid documents to submit to the **Department Natural Resources and the State of Indiana** for required licenses to address issues on the **Greensburg City Park Dam. Greensburg Mayor Dan Manus** has already signed this agreement.

Mr Nobbe reported he has spoken to Patty Jackson of **Southeastern Indiana Regional Planning Commission** concerning a house they had repaired through the County's Home Repair program. She confirmed the County may proceed to sell that property on our tax sale.

Mr Nobbe will check with **Assured Partners NL** regarding 'errors and omissions' insurance coverage for the **Jailing Building Corporation.**

**Veterans Service Officer Mike Baumgartner** told the Commissioners he still hasn't located a vehicle to transport veterans to their doctors' appointments.

**Chris Grabosky of Maxwell Construction** presented a jail update which includes adding some more cameras while deleting some; some conduit has been added to the outside of the building; additional data storage will increase number of storage days for the security cameras. **May 24<sup>th</sup> has been set for the pre-bid meeting date with a bid date of June 21<sup>st</sup>.** Mr Grabosky and Jeff Lyness have been contacting many local contractors to let them know of the time frame for this jail project in hopes of using a local company. Mr Grabosky asked if specs should be added to the 'bid package' for the removal of the playground equipment currently on the site.

**Jail Commander Tony Blodgett** presented information on temporary housing units as a possible solution to the overcrowding in the current jail. The daily average inmate count for the first quarter of 2018 is 110. Currently we are 'housing prisoners in Knox County Jail, Dearborn County Jail; while Switzerland County Jail recently called the Sheriff to come and get our three prisoners from their jail.

**County Attorney Ken Bass** gave updates on the water easement with S & M Farms. He has also met with the County Recorder on a business requesting bulk copies without the required 'watermark'.

Mr Nobbe opened the Public Hearing on the proposed Jail Lease between Decatur County and the Jail Building Corporation. No one offered any public comments on the proposed lease and the public hearing was closed.

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

The next Commissioners meeting will be May 21st, 2018 at 8:00 am.

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Richard J Nobbe

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