

**Commissioners Meeting
May 21, 2018 8:00 a.m.**

Present: Rick Nobbe, Jerome Buening and Mark Koors

Mr Nobbe called the May 21st, 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 Nobbe asked the May 7th meeting minutes be corrected as he did not think Mr Buening and Mr Koors authorized him to select a trustee bank, based on fees and services, for the new jail project bonds. He believes that statement should be struck from those minutes. Also, in a later paragraph discussing the **Greensburg City Park Dam**, Mr Nobbe agreed to fund one-half of the costs to develop plans and scope of work for bid documents to submit to the **DNR and the State of Indiana** for required licenses to address issues on the **City Park Dam**. Mr Buening moved to approve the minutes as amended, Mr Koors seconded the motion 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 gave updates: the structure on county road 100 south is open, final grading and seeding to be done soon; the project on county road 640 north opened last week and the structure on county road 500 east is going in with final grading and seeding to be done soon. He plans to finish the three projects not yet completed from the **2017 Community Crossings Grants** in the next two weeks. **INDOT** will be accepting applications for the **2018 Community Crossings Grants** beginning August 6th through September 28, 2018. Mr Mohr may not bid any asphalt projects due to **INDOT** not awarding those grants until October or November. **County Attorney Ken Bass** prepared a first amendment to **Ordinance 2018-3** stating the 'gross vehicle weight rating' in excess of 26,000 pounds is prohibited on county roads as stated in the **Ordinance 2018-3**, which has effective dates of April 1, 2018 to September 1, 2018. Mr Buening moved to approve the amendment to **Ordinance 2018-3**, Mr Koors seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred. The amendment will be advertised in the local newspapers on May 25th and June 1st, law enforcement may 'ticket' anyone who violates that weight limit.

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

Area Plan Building Inspector Kenny Buening reported he has completed 44 building inspections; issued 12 new building permits plus plan reviews since the last Commissioners' meeting. On May 7th he put a stop work order/red tag on a pole barn as it appeared to be on the property line, violating the required setbacks. He contacted **County Surveyor Andy Scholle** who did a line survey, showing the property line was 61 feet north of the building, so the project is permitted to continue. While out driving on May 17th, Kenny noticed concrete trucks and a pumper truck out in a field pouring a footer for a pit, new confinement operation; the proper permits were on file. Kenny did discuss some issues with Mr Nobbe about the **Leising Mulch** property.

Christine Schombers of Expressions Florists and Gifts explained some issues she encountered while setting up a wedding event at the **Decatur County Fair Grounds**. Fair Board Member Mike Cuskaden contacted Mrs Schombers eight days before the wedding telling her the grounds were torn up do to a 'cattle battle' event, so she could not have the wedding at the Fair Grounds. Mr Nobbe encouraged Mrs Schombers to attend tonight's **Fair Board Meeting** to let those members know what had taken place to cause a major change of plans for her wedding event.

Dan Berkenstock described flooding issues in Sardinia due to a local resident 'damming up a ditch'. Mr Bass advised Mr Berkenstock this issue is between land owners. Mr Nobbe asked Mr Berkenstock to contact the **Soil and Water Office**, on Liberty Circle, as they work on/address drainage issues.

Mary McCarty of Southeastern Indiana Regional Planning Commission and Stephanie Back of Children's Advocacy Center of Southeastern Indiana asked the Commissioners to be the grant applicant for monies through the **Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs**. Ms McCarty and Ms Back outlined the benefits of having a local **CAC** office due to the increasing local caseload. An office building on west state road 46 is available for purchase and could be rehabilitated for **CAC's** use. The **Decatur County Community Foundation** will provide the local 'match monies' required when applying for this

grant. Ms McCarty has scheduled a public hearing for this grant application on May 24th in Room 141 of the Courthouse. Mr Koors moved to agree to be the lead applicant for this project, Mr Buening seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Philip Deiwert of Rural Works Program detailed the ‘employment assistance’ this program provides to those needing help to complete a job application and prepare for a job interview. Currently there are 25 – 30 core employers in Decatur County. Mr Deiwert stated a big challenge is changing peoples’ minds how important holding a job is. Mr Nobbe asked if this program is under the same umbrella as **Work One, Region 9 and River Valley Resources**. Mr Buening requested a budget from Mr Deiwert to review.

Mr Buening moved to approve/sign the **Covered Bridge Certification**, Mr Koors seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred. This form will be sent to the state in order to continue receiving state funds to maintain the covered bridge.

Mr Nobbe shared meeting minutes with Mr Buening and Mr Koors from a recent **EMA Advisory Board Meeting**.

Mr Koors moved to approve **Resolution 2018-7** to appoint two appraisers with respect to the financing the new jail. Mr Buening seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred. The Commissioners agreed to appoint local appraiser Mike Heger and Bill Hendy of Batesville to complete this step for the new jail project.

Mr Buening moved to allow Mr Nobbe to sign the change order from **BAMR on the Courthouse Rehab Project**, Mr Koors seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred. The change order allows \$18,000 (retainage) not to be charged to the County.

Mr Nobbe asked Deputy Auditor Reiger to put the completed signature page of the **Christopher Burke Engineering** agreement in that project folder.

Mr Nobbe signed the cyber liability renewal, auto coverage renewal forms since these were not included in the insurance packet approved at the Commissioners’ last meeting. Commissioners agreed to exclude the terrorism insurance coverage again for 2019.

Commissioners asked **Bruns and Gutzwiler** to review the ‘punch list’ completed by **BAMR** on the Courthouse rehab project as well as check the addition. The entire Courthouse structure has some cracked caulking on the horizontal joints, allowing moisture in. Mr Nobbe stated this doesn’t need addressed right away, but in the next year or so.

Mr Bass reported the easement with the Smiley’s has been signed and completed.

After discussing the timeline for the new jail project and the public hearing that occurred on May 7th, Mr Koors moved to authorize the execution of the lease agreement between the **County and the Decatur County, Indiana Jail Building Corporation**, with respect to the jail project. Mr Buening seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Chris Grabosky of Maxwell Construction told Commissioners there will be a pre-bid meeting at the Sheriff’s office on Thursday, May 24th. He has delivered a copy of the jail drawings/plans and specs to the Auditor’s office for anyone- bidders or public- to review.

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

The next Commissioners meeting will be June 4th, 2018 at 8:00 am.

Richard J Nobbe

Attest: _____

Date: _____

