

**Commissioners Meeting
November 19, 2018 8:00 a m**

Present: Rick Nobbe, Jerome Buening and Mark Koors

President Nobbe called the November 19th Board of Commissioners meeting in session and reminded all the **Title VI voluntary survey forms** are on the table in the corner for anyone wishing to fill one out and turn into the Auditor's office.

Having reviewed the accounts payable claims and payroll claims, Mr Buening moved to approve those claims, Mr Koors seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Mr Koors moved to approve the November 5th, 2018 meeting minutes, Mr Buening seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Highway Superintendent Mark Mohr announced Decatur County has been awarded \$715,787.35 in **Community Crossings Grant** monies. Mr Mohr had submitted five projects, but these monies are only enough for four of five projects. Mr Koors did attend the awards ceremony, receiving the big symbolic check. **INDOT** is scheduling 'two calls for projects' in the **Community Crossings Grants** program for 2019, with the first call in January. Mr Mohr plans to submit projects for the first call; so he asked the Commissioners if the stone, culvert pipe and fuel bids could be done earlier in 2019 to include those **Community Crossings** projects. The two pipe projects in New Point have been completed. **United Consultants'** Matt Lee reported his findings on after looking at Bridge 239: the concrete is deteriorating, exposing the reinforcement materials in the top of the slab. It is safe to leave this bridge open only with a reduced load limit from 15 tons to 8 tons. Mr Lee stressed this bridge should be moved up on the County's priority list and replace it within the next 2 years. He also stated the annual bridge inspection report included 'signs of cracking, showing its age' for Bridge 239. Commissioners agreed Mr Mohr should contact **USI and United Consulting** for proposals on the hydraulics/surveys on Bridge 239. **INDOT** has scheduled the bridge on Main Street just before the Lincoln Street intersection to be replaced next year, which will create a 'detour nightmare'. The restricted waterway under Bridge 239 will have to be addressed prior to replacing it. The Commissioners approved Mr Mohr's request to explore/get quotes for 3 new tandem dump trucks, outfitted with snow plows and v-boxes, to replace 4 or 5 older trucks that are older and have a lot of miles on them. The purchase of the new dump trucks would be within the Highway's budget. Mr Nobbe asked if Mr Mohr has picked a vendor to repair the hail damage to the Highway's buildings. Mr Mohr has discussed with Mr Koors what to repair and which vendor would do a good job, but ultimately it's the Commissioners' decision. Mr Koors thanked Mr Mohr for getting the **Community Crossings Grant** monies because not every applicant received those grant monies.

Area Plan Director Krista Duvall has been working on a few changes to our **Tech Review Ordinance**; she will present a rough draft to the **Tech Review Committee** for their input. Ms Duvall will present the updated/revised proposed ordinance changes to the Commissioners and **County Attorney Ken Bass** to review. If Mr Bass has any questions or concerns, he will consult with **APC Attorney Melissa Scholl**. Ms Duvall has sent surveys out to ask the public for their opinion on her office's procedures, how things are working, what they need to improve on? The **APC** will review those responses and she will present those to the Commissioners early 2019.

Mary McCarty of Southeastern Indiana Regional Planning Commission opened the 'final public meeting' in applying to the **Office of Community & Rural Affairs** for \$441,509 in grant monies for the **Children's Advocacy Coalition** to purchase a building at 1516 West Main Street, Greensburg to convert/serve as **CAC's** local office due to not having any **CAC's** in surrounding counties. The Commissioners had applied in May, 2018, for this same grant, but didn't get it; a second opportunity to apply is available. The application is due November 30, 2018 and Ms McCarty will find out on January 15, 2019 what grant monies are awarded. Local match monies of \$60,300 include \$20,100 from the **Decatur County Community Foundation**, \$5,000 from the **City of Greensburg** and \$35,200 of **CAC's** own funds. Mr Koors moved to adopt a resolution authorizing the application submission and the local match commitment for the project. Mr Buening seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred. Mr Nobbe signed the required forms.

Mr Nobbe read the "Request for use of facilities" submitted by **Main Street Greensburg's Director Terrah Nunley** for December 8th, 5 pm to 10 pm for the **2018 Holiday Walk** on the Courthouse Square. Ms Nunley did have a special request that the decorations be kept up from December 1st through the Holiday Season. As a "to give back to the community" project, **Main Street Greensburg** is partnering with **Meals on Wheels, New Directions and the Community Healthcare Clinic** in 'selling bows of blessings' in support of charities, to put on

four Christmas trees to be placed on the corners of the Courthouse lawn. The **Visitors Tourism Board** purchased those trees as their part in this project. Ms Nunley told the Commissioners the **City of Greensburg** has donated money to purchase a fourteen foot Christmas tree to put on the Courthouse lawn. Mr Buening moved to approve this request Mr Koors seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred. Mr Nobbe did ask Ms Nunley to have the decorations down by January 5th – 10th, 2019.

Emergency Management Director Brad Speer and Deputy Director Rick Johnson presented a concern regarding the recent ice storm: they couldn't take pets in. Mr Speer contacted the **Red Cross, Salvation Army** and neither could help; the closest equipment is in the town of Madison. He also added that it takes resources to set up shelters for people due to FEMA's rules due to security. Mr Johnson announced he will be retiring at the end of this year, but he will still be around to help. Commissioners thanked Mr Johnson for all he's done with CERT, EMA- for helping Decatur County getting us where we're at today.

Mr Nobbe reminded all the railroad display at the Presbyterian Church, on December 7th thru December 9th.

Having reviewed the proposed **2019 Holiday Schedule**, Mr Buening moved to approve as presented, Mr Koors seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred. (New Year's Day, January 1st, 2019; Martin Luther King Day, January 21st; Good Friday, April 19th; Primary Election, May 7th; Memorial Day, May 27th; Independence Day, July 4th; Labor Day, September 2nd; Columbus Day, October 14th; General Election Day, November 5th; Veterans' Day, November 11th; Thanksgiving Day, November 28th; Lincoln's Birthday, November 29th; Washington's Birthday, December 24th; Christmas Day, December 25th) Commissioners reviewed the proposed 2019 Commissioners' meetings.

Commissioners reviewed a proposal submitted by RBSK for 'cloud offsite backup' for the Courthouse, Parks and Health Departments. There is a one-time upgrade fee of \$575 plus a monthly fee of \$275. They asked if this would eliminate our current servers. Auditor Chadwell will contact Barry Bailey at RBSK for that information. Mr Buening moved to accept the contract with RBSK as presented, once the fees are explained- if the monthly fee is \$275 and as long as Mr Nobbe is consulted on the fee explanation. Mr Koors seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred.

The change to the fourth paragraph under 4.2 Holidays should read " any full-time employee required to work on a holiday shall receive regular holiday pay in addition to paid compensation at the rate of one and one-half (1 ½) times the regular rate for actual hours worked...." ; *not "any (full-time public retirement) jail employee required to work on a holiday..."*. **Central Dispatch Director Erika Free and Jail Commander Tony Blodgett** explained how they 'tracked' those holiday hours worked, which isn't the same as other departments. In order to provide motivation to keep a good staff, Mr Koors moved to amend the 4.2 Holidays (4th paragraph) as read, Mr Buening seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred. Director Free and Commander Blodgett will track holiday hours worked in their respective departments the same as other county offices do.

Commissioners are working on Board appointments to be announced in December for 2019; also 'terms of employment for our county attorney'.

Mr Buening reported there were no issues on the inside of the Health Department building from the August hail storm; although problems may show up later.

Commissioners will review the list of 21 unsold tax sale properties to see if there are any which they don't want put on their 2019 Commissioners' sale.

Chris Grabosky of Maxwell Construction informed the Commissioners about a metal stud issue with designs and quoting on the jail. The bid drawings specify a minimum of 18 gauge and the accepted contractor's bid was 12 gauge. **Elevatus Engineering** wants to talk to the Commissioners directly as to who should absorb the cost difference. **Jeff Lyness of Maxwell Construction** stated the contracted specifically what steps to follow on disagreements and/or disputes and there are timelines in the contract; so the Commissioners need to respond within ten days.

Mr Nobbe reported a group has been created to start/explore what to do with the old jail in 2020.

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

The next Commissioners meeting will be December 3rd, 2018 at 8:00 am.

Richard J Nobbe

Attest: _____

Date: _____