Commissioners Meeting  
December 17, 2018 8:00 a m

Present:  Rick Nobbe, Jerome Buening and Mark Koors

President Nobbe called the December 17th Commissioners meeting in session and announced 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.

Mr Koors moved to approve the December 3rd, 2018 meeting minutes, Mr Buening seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

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

Mr Nobbe read a report submitted by Highway Superintendent Mark Mohr: USI is working on an agreement to determine best action for Bridge 239 on East Washington St, Greensburg- this will determine if a complete new bridge will need built- which we might have to buy a house; or if we can rehab the abutments with a new deck; all agreements for the Community Crossing Grants for 2018 have been signed and returned to INDOT for signatures for 2019 paving; all documentation for the 2017 Community Crossing Grant has been sent to INDOT and Mr Mohr has received a ‘close out letter’ from INDOT which had to be done to be eligible for the January call; final walk through on Bridge 168 rehab with United, Rohe, INDOT and Mr Mohr- all looks good.

Area Plan Director Krista Duvall is out of the office to attend training, Mr Nobbe read Decatur County Ordinance 2018-15: L & P LLC requested to rezone 0.64 acres in Westport, from R-2 to B-1. Mr Buening moved to approve this ordinance, Mr Koors seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Building Inspector Kenny Buening presented his report for the last two weeks: he completed 44 inspections and issued 7 new building permits; ‘red tagged’ a pole barn due to no building permit and he has received the construction design release on Napoleon State Bank’s new building on North Lincoln Street in Greensburg. Mr Buening spoke to Mike Wells about possible hazardous materials such as asbestos and lead paint in a dwelling which needs to be torn down in the county.

Decatur County Extension Board President Jill Koehne told the Commissioners a meeting was held on December 13th with members of the 4-H Council and Purdue to discuss moving the 4-H’s part to June 15 – 21, 2019 while the Fair rides and Grand Stand events are proposed to be held July 11 -17 -- making two separate events. Mrs Koehne stated some of the members see a conflict between the 4-H livestock shows and Grand Stand events and the fireworks are a big problem near animals. She requested the Commissioners approval to use the Fair Grounds and buildings for June 15 – 21. Several members of the Fair Board, 4-H Council, Extension Board and Purdue Educators shared their thoughts on each board’s responsibilities and duties. After listening to several people voice their concerns, Commissioners offered to hold a special Commissioner meeting on December 21st, 2018 at 8:00 am to give these entities time to meet this week to try to work out some issues. They will consider Mrs Koehne’s request for use of the Fair Grounds, June 15 – 21, 2019 at their special meeting on December 21st.

Mr Nobbe stated the invoice for $1,000 to be paid to the Lett’s Fire Department will be paid out of the 911 contract services appropriation.

Mr Koors moved to approve Maxwell Construction’s invoice #5, $117,584.10, for the Eagle modular jail cells. Mr Buening seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred. Mr Koors did travel to the factory to look at our modular jail cells being ‘put together’; he was impressed and stated they’re very well made. Four of the eight modular cells could be delivered in late January.

Chris Grabosky of Maxwell Construction discussed costs which were not included in the new jail bid document: Greensburg Planning is requiring curbs and storm sewer. He presented Change Order #1 for Johannigman Excavating in the amount of $85,880. Mr Buening moved to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of $85,880. Mr Koors seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Three new members have been appointed by the Commissioners to the Decatur County Community Corrections Advisory Board: Mark Wickens, Nick Wallpe and Jaspreet Gill. Mr Buening suggested to ‘staggering’ appointments made by the Commissioners since the timing of these appointments has not been laid out. He suggested six of the twelve appointees have a two-year term: Criminal Defense Attorney, ex-offender, Probation Officer, Mental Health Administrator, two lay persons; the rest be appointed for a four-year term:
victim of crime, County Council member, Educational Administrator, two lay persons and a new position for a representative of private correctional agency. Mr Koors moved to accept the three nominees, Mr Buening seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Mr Nobbe presented an updated HVAC agreement with Peine Engineering for the Courthouse. Mr Buening moved to approve, Mr Koors seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred. This agreement will begin January 1, 2019 and will automatically renew/rollover annually.

Mr Nobbe announced the efforts on the City Park Dam are ready to get plans and bid documents together for when funds are approved. County Attorney Ken Bass will review an updated agreement between the City of Greensburg and the County to be reviewed at the Commissioners’ January 7th, 2019 meeting. County Treasurer Brenda Dwenger asked if anyone regularly checking the condition of the dam. Mr Nobbe said DNR, IDEM, Christopher Burke Engineering and the Parks Department all visit the site periodically for any visible changes.

County Sheriff-elect Dave Durant and Jail Commander Tony Blodgett told Commissioners the Greensburg Water & Wastewater has been estimating the jail’s water usage and using that number to charge for wastewater due to the meter on the two-inch line not working. Mr Blodgett will contact the Greensburg Water Office manager on replacing the meter and upgrading to a three-inch line.

Mr Grabosky, representing the Commissioners, will attend a meeting between Elevatus and Quality Interiors, in Indianapolis regarding the metal stud issue on the new jail project.

Commissioners discussed proposed playground requested by Bob Barker of the Parks and Rec Department. They could save $6,000 by funding the $65,381.80 for purchasing new playground equipment in 2018 instead of waiting until 2019. Mr Durant asked about parking causing some congestion along Ireland Street. Mr Koors moved to order the equipment by December 20th, 2018 provided we get positive feedback from Bryan Robbins. Mr Buening seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Mr Durant told the Commissioners he received a letter from the Park Board, stating the Parks Department will no longer mow the grass at the Sheriff’s building. Mr Nobbe believes the Parks Department may cut the grass, just not for free unless the Council increases the Parks’ budget.

Mr Durant introduced Robert Ray as his Chief Deputy beginning January 1, 2019.

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

The next Commissioners meeting will be January 7th, 2019 at 8:00 am.

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Richard J Nobbe

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