

REGULAR MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

NOVEMBER 3, 2008

The regular monthly meeting of the Dubois County Commissioners was held in the Commissioners' Room of the Courthouse Annex in Jasper, Indiana, beginning at 3:00 p.m. (EST) on November 3, 2008. Present were Commissioners Randall L. Fleck and Lawrence M. Vollmer. Also present were County Auditor Janet L. Sendelweck, County Surveyor Ken Brosmer, Highway Supervisor Steven L. Berg and County Attorney Arthur C. Nordhoff, Jr. A quorum was declared present and the meeting was opened for business by Vice-President Fleck. Minutes of the October meetings of the Commissioners were approved as presented. The minutes were then signed. Incomes for the month of October, 2008, were as follows: Recorder \$10,819.71; Health Department \$36,474.70; Auditor \$170.00; Clerk \$46,975.22. Claims against the County were examined and those found to be just, due and owing were allowed and those found to be not due and owing were disallowed, all as more fully set forth in the Claims and Allowance Docket of the County.

RE: WELP ADDITION – JACKSON TOWNSHIP

Nathan Waggner appeared on behalf of Thomas E. and Dorothy L. Hoffman owners, to submit a plat of Welp Addition, consisting of one lot in the in the SW quarter of Section 6, Township 3 South, Range 4 West, containing 6.72 acres more or less, in Jackson Township. The plat had been reviewed by the County Surveyor and discussed with the Highway Engineer. The plat is on County Road 660S and includes a utility easement on the north quarter section line. On motion duly made and seconded, the plat was approved.

RE: MESSMER MECHANICAL CONTRACT

Custodian Bill Loveall appeared to submit bids received for mechanical maintenance contracts for the Courthouse, Annex, Security Center and Community Corrections. Currently the contracts are held by Johnson Controls. Bids were submitted by Johnson Controls for the Courthouse, Annex and Security Center and by Messmer Mechanical on all four facilities, all for a four year term. On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and accepted the proposals of \$39,050 from Messmer Mechanical for the Courthouse, Annex and for the Security Center, being the low bids. The Custodian was requested to seek a proposal from Johnson Controls on Community Corrections.

RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Highway Supervisor Berg reported on various projects of the Highway Department, including: RAILROAD IMPROVEMENTS (County Road 1050E, Cuzco-Norton Road, Cuzco Road South will be closed for short periods while the Railroad Museum does railroad crossing repairs); GARAGE ROOF (roof over highway garage office is leaking and in need of repair. The Supervisor was instructed to have the roof inspected and obtain price of repair); PORTERSVILLE BRIDGE (work on old Bridge removal to begin November 10, 2008; Daviess County NRCS will be advised of funding for spoil area repair on November 15, 2008; Federal portion of Bridge construction is complete; additional guardrail installation is required); DUBOIS STORM WATER (meeting on needs assessment set for November 18, 2008, with Alan Harper of Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs); RAILROAD CROSSINGS (markings completed on County Road 650W, 300N, 15th Street and 400S); SMITHVILLE TELEPHONE (drawings of proposed fiber optic installation have been submitted); SOLAR SOURCES COUNTY ROAD 450N REPAIR (repair work started, will be completed within several days); COUNTY ROAD 1100E WIDENING (machine work is underway); FEMA REIMBURSEMENT (Department met with FEMA for reimbursement of storm damages); DEER TRAIL ROAD (Commissioners directed that a letter be sent to Fred Brockman to chip and seal Deer Trail Road by August 31, 2009); LEPC TABLETOP EXERCISE (LEPC planned a table top exercise for November 5, 2008, but the exercise has been cancelled until more preparation time is available); DUMP TRUCK REPLACEMENT (proposals or bids should be received by the year's end on replacement of three dump trucks to be paid from 2008 budget for 2009 delivery); TRI-COUNTY PAVING (served notice of price escalation in the annual material bids, due to supply cost increases).

RE: WRIGHT, PHILLIP L. AND REBECCA A. – ALLEY VACATION

Phillip L. and Rebecca A. Wright appeared to request vacation of platted alley located south of Lots 13-16 and north of Lots 18-20 and of an unnumbered lot all in Nicholson's Addition to Town of Cuzco. The alley is not currently being used as such and is surrounded by property owned by the Wright's. Proof of publication was submitted and copy of certified mail was shown. No member of the public was present to express an opinion. On motion duly made and seconded, the alley was ordered vacated. The Attorney was instructed to prepare an ordinance.

RE: BERNARDIN LOCHMUELLER CLAIM

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners approved and authorized payment of a claim from Bernardin Lochmueller for \$15,642.51 for services provided on Portersville Bridge.

RE: DENTAL HEALTH POLICY

The County Auditor informed the Commissioners that several alternative plans are available for the County employees under their Dental Plan, each alternative plan increasing coverage, but at additional premium costs. The costs are fully funded by the employees. The Commissioners suggested that a poll be taken of employees as to their desire since they pay the cost.

RE: NATIONAL FOREST REVENUE

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commissioners agreed to request payment of the National Forest Receipts revenue by receiving a share of the State payment under the SRS Act rather than by receiving a 25% share of sales from Dubois County and further directed that such revenue shall be allocated 100% to Title I projects, being County highway maintenance. The Auditor was directed to notify the State Auditor of the Board's election.

RE: JASPER PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT – KARIN M. GRAY

The Commissioners having previously been advised of a vacancy on the Jasper Public Library Board due to resignation, on motion duly made and seconded, appointed Karin M. Gray, MD to fill the vacancy on the Jasper Public Library Board, to fill the remaining term of the vacant position.

RE: JOHNSON CONTROLS

Custodian Loveall advised the Commissioners that he had contacted Johnson Controls regarding a proposal on the mechanical maintenance contract for the Community Corrections facility and was advised that Johnson Controls does not intend to submit a proposal on the Corrections facility.

RE: FUTURE MEETINGS

As previously announced, the continued November meeting of the Commissioners will be held on November 17, 2008, and the regular December meeting will be held on December 1, 2008. Both meetings to begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Room of the Courthouse Annex.

The continued December meeting will be held on December 15, 2008, at 3:00 p.m. at the Celestine Fire Station, Celestine, Indiana.