

Commissioners Meeting

June 15, 2015, 8:00 a.m.

Present: John Richards, Rick Nobbe and Jerome Buening

President John Richards called the meeting to order.

The claims were reviewed and approved to be paid.

The June 1st meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Highway Superintendent Mark Mohr reported a total of nine sealed bids were received for two old pick-up trucks. One truck sold for \$1,100 and the other for \$950 each. Mr Mohr has inspected the paving work done at **Cottonwood** and stated the work was done to the Highway's specifications. Mr Mohr will send a 'notice' to **Napoleon State Bank** the roads were built to the County's spec so they may release payment to **O'Mara Paving** for the work done. Work has been completed on County Road 950 and Schoolhouse Rd which had some "repaving/ chip and seal" issues from last Fall and the roads look really good. Mr Mohr hopes to use the same technique on a few other roads in the County. Mr Mohr asked about the maximum "banked hours" a County employee may carry. The Highway and Sheriff's Department work a forty-hour week while other County offices work a thirty-five hour week. The Personnel Policy committee will need to review and clarify at their annual meeting.

Patty Jackson of **Southeastern Indiana Regional Planning Committee** opened the Public Meeting for the homeowner occupied rehabilitation grant application. The grant would be for \$350,000 with a required local match of ten percent to come from the City of Greensburg, Westport and Decatur County. **SIRPC** has secured a grant from **USDA Rural Rehab Program** for \$11,198 to help with the local match dollars needed. Local residents wanting to apply to be considered for this rehab program will need to meet requirements of "fifty-five or older" years of age or disabled and income restrictions. The grant would 'rehab' fourteen families' homes: six in Greensburg, two in Westport and six in the county, which may change according to applications. Ms Jackson stated bids will be taken for the construction/rehab work to be done in/on the fourteen homes and a State-licensed Home Inspector will be doing three to four inspections at various stages of the construction. The grants awarded will be announced on October 22, 2015.

Greensburg City Mayor Gary Herbert introduced the city's newly appointed Fire Chief Mike Schantz and Police Chief Brendan Bridges. Mayor Herbert asked Commissioners about the joint commission for the Comprehensive Plans for Greensburg and Decatur County. Mr Nobbe stated the County's group will be meeting June 22nd at 3:00 p.m. in Room 106 in the Courthouse.

Dave Richter and Jon Clodfelter of **United Consulting** wanted to clarify the four parts of the Assessment Proposal discussed at the Commissioner's June 1st meeting. Mr Richter explained the heavy equipment costs were included in the Clock Tower Assessment while the Original Courthouse Assessment phase 'assumed' the same equipment would be used thus no equipment fees were added. Mr Buening moved to authorize **United** to proceed on items 1(Clock Tower Assessment, \$31,200), 2 (Original Courthouse Assessment, \$10,300) and 4 (Tree Evaluation). Mr Nobbe seconded the motion and requested payment/funding be provided through **EDIT** monies. Mr Richards concurred. Mr Richter will send a letter for the Commissioners' signatures and he will determine the "best" work dates with the Auditor's office to begin work immediately.

Mr Nobbe spoke a little about the 2016 Budgets (Commissioners, Courthouse, Cum Cap and EDIT), explaining a few changes such as adding a specific line items for **Main Street Greensburg and the Transitional Living Center**, just to name a couple. The Commissioners will discuss their budgets at their July 6th meeting. Mr Nobbe also gave an update on the timeline of the transfer of ownership on the **DNR Reservoir** property- should be completed in the next six months. The Commissioners may use the property as they see fit.

Mr Richards stated the job description for the Area Plan Director's position is nearly complete.

County Attorney Drew Young stated the County's letter to former TPA **SIHO** concerning a disputed bill/invoice has become more complicated- it may require more legal action than sending a couple of letters. In another matter, he has mailed a certified letter to Larry and Teresa Scudder setting fifteen days to get their Clarksburg property cleaned up; also, he has sent a letter to Doug Burton regarding his property on county road 100 w. The dwelling is in disrepair; the septic system has collapsed and some people were seen staying on the property in a camper and tent. Marcia and Dick Foley stated they had

noted six or more vehicles on the property. Mr Young would like to know the **Board of Health Sanitarian** Alan Crosby's review/opinion on the septic and water situation after visiting this property.

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

The next Commissioner meeting will be July 6th, 2015 at 8:00 a.m.

John Richards, President

Attest _____

Date: _____