

Commissioners Meeting
June 20, 2022 8:00 a m

Present: Mark Koors, Jerome Buening and Chuck Emsweller

President Koors welcomed everyone to the June 20th meeting of the Decatur County Commissioners; he then announced Title VI forms are available for anyone who would like to fill out and turn in at the Auditor's office.

Highway Superintendent Mark Mohr led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag; Sheriff Dave Durant then offered a prayer.

(Meeting minutes, payroll and claims are emailed to each Commissioners, each Thursday before their Monday meeting)

Mr Emsweller moved to approve the June 6th and June 13th meeting minutes, Mr Buening seconded and Mr Koors concurred.

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

Mr Emsweller moved to approve the June 10th payroll claims, Mr Buening seconded and Mr Koors concurred.

Mark Mohr, Highway Superintendent, provided an update on the **Westport Covered Bridge**. **JM Ballard Company** has completed the painting and is waiting for a couple of special pieces of trim. Mr Mohr stated that the **Tree City Rolling Tour** will be able to go through the bridge this weekend on their annual bike race. The **RFP's for Bridge 131** were due June 17th to the Auditor's Office. There were three bids received and they have been passed on for scoring. The **RFP's for Park Road** are turned in to the City. Mr Mohr and Highway Assistant Superintendent Tim Ortman were both scorers for the project. **County Road 200 West and Rockcreek Church** should be open this week. **Bridge 73** and County Road **150 North** bridge replacement is moving along as well. Mr Mohr reminded the Commissioners of the opening of the asphalt bids for the **Community Crossings Grants 2022-1**, at 9:00 am. Those projects will actually be done in 2023. Mr Koors requested the Highway Department take a bushwacker along the creek prior to the 2022 Fair.

Building Inspector Kenny Buening is on vacation this week. Mr Koors stated that he and Mark Mohr visited Burney to inspect a couple of burned homes and is asking to have those cleaned up. Mr Koors asked **Area Plan Director Krista Duvall** if she knew of any update on the property at County Road 60 Southwest. Ms Duvall was unaware of any updates. Mr Koors observed over the weekend there was not any improvement to the property and the vehicles are nearly in the roadway and that the County would like to resolve the issue.

Mainstreet Greensburg requested the use of the Courthouse Grounds on August 20th for a **Food Truck Festival**. The Commissioners did not make a motion on the application due to all insurance paperwork not being present since there are three more meetings until the event.

The Commissioners signed the **Covered Bridge Certification** for the County to receive State funds.

Commissioners appointed **Ann Lindsay** to the **Greensburg-Decatur County Contractual Library Board**, to replace Judy Cupp. The motion was made by Mr Emsweller, Mr Buening seconded, and Mr Koors concurred.

The Commissioners tabled a claim for **Centerstone** until after they give Council an update on the services they provide to the County. Mr Emsweller voted to table, Mr Buening seconded.

Fire door maintenance will need to be tested in August. The cost is \$424.00. Mr Buening moved to approve, Mr Emsweller seconded, and Mr Koors concurred.

Treasurer Diane Wenning provided an update from Steve Enneking for moisture issues in her office. Mr Koors stated he was going to contact Doug Ellerman to verify all issues have been resolved regarding the repairs and bird's nest that was removed.

Sheriff Dave Durant is requesting a riot-resistant enclosure for the entryway of the Courthouse. The Sheriff had an estimate from Bruns-Gutzwiller for \$32,500.00 for the enclosure. This would give the

Security Officers the authority to “buzz in” Courthouse patrons. Sheriff Durant also requested additional cameras for the Detention Center. The estimated cost would be \$105,000.00 and would include 76 cameras which would place one in every cell. This request was previously made to the ARPA committee and was sent back as the request needed to come from the Commissioners as it was for Buildings and Structures. This would provide additional security for inmates as well as Detention Center workers. The Commissioners did request that the Sheriff get three bids before action be taken since the project was over \$75,000. The Sheriff also requested a new transport van for the Detention Center as the current van has over 200,000 miles. The cost of the van would be \$28,000.00. and will be paid for out of Cum Cap. Motion was made by Mr Buening, seconded by Mr Emsweller, and Mr Koors concurred.

Dispatch Director Erika Free submitted a letter or resignation. Mr Koors thanked Ms Free for her dedication and wished her the best of luck in future endeavors.

Mr Koors was set to meet with **Steve Doerger** to talk about repairing the **Courthouse clock** on Wednesday, June 22nd.

Commissioners recessed until 9:00 A.M. for the **asphalt bid openings**. Motion was made by Mr Buening, seconded by Mr Emsweller.

At 9:00 A.M. Mr Buening moved to close the bidding, Mr Emsweller seconded.

Highway Superintendent Mark Mohr opened the bids and checked for proper paperwork.

The Commissioners will take the bids under advisement at their next meeting.

The Commissioners next meeting will be July 5th, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.

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

Attest: _____

Date: _____