

Commissioners Meeting

November 16, 2015, 8:00 a m

Present: John Richards, Jerome Buening and Rick Nobbe

President John Richards called the meeting to order.

The November 2nd meeting minutes were approved as presented.

The claims were reviewed and approved to be paid.

Highway Superintendent Mark Mohr told Commissioners the attorney for **Enterprise TE Products** has presented a 'counter offer' of \$88,000, which is a huge difference from the almost \$600,000 of itemized damages Mr Mohr had presented to **Enterprise** last month. **County Attorney Drew Young** will prepare and file a lawsuit 'against' **Enterprise's bond**. Mr Mohr gave an update on the paving/road projects as the 'season' winds down.

Lela Cameron answered the Commissioners' questions on her **Request for Use of Facilities**. Ms Cameron is requesting permission to place a **Christmas Nativity** display on the southeast corner of the Courthouse lawn, beginning December 21st and to be removed by December 28, 2015. Mr Nobbe moved to approve the request to place a **Christmas Nativity** display, December 21st to December 28, 2015; or until someone objects. Mr Buening had some reservations on allowing an individual to set something like this up, maybe more for organizations to do, so he did not second the motion. Mr Richards concurred. Motion carried.

Deputy Sheriff/EMA Director Rob Duckworth and **Doug Foster of ETC** presented details and costs for 'changing out' the phone system at the **Jail and the Sheriff's Department** buildings which also houses **Community Corrections, EMA, Solid Waste Management, Veteran Affairs and Coroner**. The upgraded phone system would require forty new handsets and it does include upgrading technology. Mr Foster explained the upgrade to **SIP talk paths** from **PRI circuits**. The **SIP Talk Paths** would be installed at no charge in exchange for a 2 year signed agreement. Mr Nobbe asked Mr Foster to see what monies the County could save by 'renting tower space'. Mr Nobbe moved to authorize the purchase of the forty handsets from **ETC** to be paid for from the **Cumulative Capital Development Fund**. Mr Buening seconded the motion and Mr Richards concurred.

Mr Buening moved to enter into the **Inter-local Cooperation Agreement between the City of Greensburg and the County of Decatur in providing Emergency Dispatch Services for Public Safety**. Mr Nobbe seconded the motion and Mr Richards concurred. This agreement will also be presented to the **Greensburg Board of Works** for their approval on December 7th, 2015. The **Greensburg City Council** and the **Decatur County Council** will financially supplement the expenses for the **Central Dispatch Center** in 2016 and 2017. It is projected the **Statewide E911 Funds** will totally fund the Central Dispatch operations beginning in 2018.

The Commissioners signed **Decatur County Ordinance 2015-6**, submitted by Ed Bohman to rezone two parcels of land, 2.99 acres each for a total of 5.98 acres, from A-1 to A-2.

City of Greensburg Engineer Ron May and Mayor Gary Herbert proposed a 'publicizing opportunity' in the form of a digital sign to be placed along I-74 near County Road 300 North, on property the **City of Greensburg** owns. Mr May stated this type of sign is quite expensive, but he believes the displayed messages could produce economic growth/development. Digital signs may cost \$750,000 or more depending on the size. Mr Herbert stated there would not be any commercial ads displayed on this sign due to **INDOT and the Federal Highway** regulations. There will be on-going costs such as electric bills

John Richards, President

Attest _____

Date: _____