

**Commissioners Meeting
November 16, 2020 8:00 a m**

Present: Mark Koors, Jerome Buening and Rick Nobbe

Decatur County Commissioner Rick Nobbe called the November 16nd commissioners' meeting to order; he then announced Title VI forms are available for anyone who would like to fill out and turn in at the Auditor's office.

(Meeting minutes and claims are emailed to the three Commissioners on each Friday before their Monday meeting)

Mr Koors moved to approve the November 2nd Commissioners' meeting minutes as presented, Mr Buening seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Mr Nobbe had a question about an unemployment claim. He wanted to verify it did in fact need approved since no name was on it. Deputy Christy Smiley agreed it needed paid. Mr Buening moved to approve both the accounts payable and payroll claims, Mr Koors seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Highway Superintendent Mark Mohr was absent but sent information for the commissioners meeting via text to Mr Nobbe. Community Crossing Grant paving is complete on 400 S. Wedging from SW 60 to Greensburg city limits to 900 S is completed. The final overlay will start 11/16/2020 starting at 900 S and working their way back to Greensburg. It should take 3 or 4 days to complete. The next wedge and over lay from 900 S to 1100 S on SW 60 will be next week. Ditch and culvert work south of town is almost complete. Pipes have been set and head walls complete on SW 60 and 900 S. They will start back filling that this week.

Area Plan Director Krista Duvall presented **Decatur County Ordinance 2020-25**, Sarah Green petitioning to rezone 5 acres (combining 2 2.5-acre parcels) from A-2 to I-1. The petition received an unfavorable recommendation of 5 to 4 against from The Decatur County Area Plan Commission. The Commissioners agreed to not approve the ordinance as well. Mr Buening moved to deny, Mr Koors 2nd and Mr Nobbe concurred. It will be 1 year before this can be petitioned again.

Ms. Duvall also presented **Decatur County Ordinance 2020-19**, Dan McLean petitioning to rezone 3.2 acres from an A-1 to B-2 for self-storage units. The petition was received by The Decatur County Area Plan Commission and they did vote to approve petition. The commissioners agreed to approve by Mr Buening making a motion, Mr Koors 2nd and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Since the last Commissioners meeting, **Building Inspector Kenny Buening** has completed 36 inspections and issued 10 new building permits and 1 red tag where a property owner was putting a lean to on an addition on a new pole barn.

Decatur County Communications Director Erika presented the Interlocal agreement between the City of Greensburg and the County of Decatur County. After the Commissioners approve the agreement it will go to the city on December 7th for their approval so it's ready for the 2021 budget. The agreement states that the costs will split between both entities 50%. The only difference in this agreement is that the Public Safety Network Engineer has been added for salary and services. Each entity is responsible for their own equipment. A motion of approval was made by Mr Koors, 2nd by Mr Buening and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Mrs Free also presented the Standard Operation Policy to the commissioners. As the HR department of the county, it needed to be presented but no signature was needed. Mr Buening moved to approve, Mr Koors 2nd and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Kristi Swartzentruber & Amy Smith voiced their concerns about the closing of the school due to COVID-19. Mrs Swartzentruber has been in contact with other parents, teachers, a local lawyer, & the school board. Mrs Smith said they are very disturbed with power of 2 people at the health department. Mrs Smith said the county has schools whose every action is dictated by 1 person at the health department. Mrs Smith she is asking for some oversight with someone who has power in county. Mrs Swartzentruber agreed with Mrs Smith and said they are asking the help of the commissioners because they have the power of decision making on who is on the board in December. Mrs Swartzentruber realizes that the board has the right to close schools during a pandemic but as a community they need to make their voices heard. There is a petition circulating that has 379 signatures of local parents who want to keep their kids in school. Mr Nobbe thanked them said they will take it in consideration moving forward.

Mayor Joshua Marsh came to talk about a project on Park Road. The housing TIF district will be a partnership and it will start at 200 W and go east to Broadway Street. City is wanting to take a section of commercial and put it into housing to provide single family, middle income homes for community. The project will be a \$20 million federal grant project with a 20% match for Decatur County and the City of Greensburg. Applications must be submitted in December of 2020 for 20/21 presentation. Letter of commitment is needed by December 11. A full-sized set of prints will be given to Mark Mohr.

Governors executive order 2020-48 is on website and the courthouse will start taking temperatures again. Mr Nobbe said that department heads and decide whether to keep departments open or move to appointment only. The other commissioners agreed.

Deputy Smiley presented an administrative fee schedule from Dunn & Associates that needed a signature at renewal time. The cost is \$35 per month per employees and \$250 for dental. Making it \$8000 for health care and \$2500 for dental per month. Mr Buening moved to approve, Mr Koors 2nd, and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Mr Nobbe shared a proposal for service in the detention center for battery back up from Vertiv Corporation for \$8500.00 per year. Mr Koors moved, Mr Buening 2nd and Kr Koors concurred.

The contract between Extension/Purdue University and & Decatur was signed for 50% salary of the extension education. Moved by Mr Buening, Mr Koors 2nd and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Brian Walter presented a Request for Use of Facility for Jaylynn Strong on Saturday December 5th or 12th starting at 11 am. All Commissioners approved.

Mr Buening would like for it to be written in minutes that he is certain on 4 separate occasions he asked the leadership of Community Corrections Board and membership of Community Corrections Board for rules of organization/by laws and he has not had any response from these people.

Mrs Smiley also presented the Employee Benefit Plan. Mr Buening moved to approve, Mr Koors 2nd and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Mr Nobbe presented bids from ClearSound Design and Jeremy Stallsmith to put equipment in meeting room and the EOC. Some equipment will be reused. Clear Sound give a bid of \$8503.53 for Room 106 -the big meeting room and Room 141- the southeast room meeting room. Jeremy Stallsmith did not give a quote for big meeting room. At the EOC the quote from Clear Sound was \$8,583.22 and \$1950.47 from Jeremy Stallsmith. Mr Koors moved to go with two low bids, Mr Buening 2nd and Mr Nobbe concurred. This will be paid with CaresAct monies.

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

Attest: _____

Date: _____