

**Commissioners Regular Meeting
November 4, 2019 8:00 a m**

Present: Rick Nobbe, Jerome Buening and Mark Koors

President Nobbe called the November 4th, 2019 meeting in session and he reminded all the **Title VI voluntary survey forms** are on the table in the corner for anyone wishing to fill one out and turn into the Auditor's office.

Mr Koors moved to approve the October 21st meeting minutes as presented, Mr Buening seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Mr Buening moved to approve the meeting minutes for the Executive Session held on October 21st, Mr Koors seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Mr Koors moved to approve the claims, Mr Buening seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Highway Superintendent Mark Mohr gave updates on 2 projects: paving will be done on Bridge 170 (Co Rd 1100 S) this week- this turned out to be a good project; today will pour east wall/abutment on Bridge on County Road 650 N then west wall be done toward the end of the week, beams will be set late November-early December & the road will be open but it will be stone until next Spring then it will be paved. The three new tandem dump trucks are in the process of being made, Mr Mohr asked permission to add tags at \$4,000 for each truck- these trucks will be going down south to do ice and snow removal; so with the extra product that can be put on the trucks fewer trips back to the Department would be required to reload. Mr Koors move to authorize that option for the three new dump trucks, Mr Buening seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred. Mr Mohr will use Highway funds to pay for adding the tags for the new trucks. He will contact the Parks Department to see if they are interested in buying one of the old dump trucks at fair market value. On November 6th **USI** and Mr Mohr are going to Indianapolis to request a design exception on Bridge 236 mainly about the hydraulics due to two bridges/pipes south of Bridge 236 do not meet **INDOT's** standard on hydraulics. Mr Mohr will meet with **United** on November 7th to review Phase 2 for our inventory for bridge inspection to discuss re-inspecting the two new/replacement bridges out by Corya's and on County Road 1100 South. Mr Mohr did contact other counties about road damage due to farmers' big trucks/equipment. He found most of those roads are mainly stone and some farmers do give/pay monies to the Highway Departments for maintenance on those roads. Attorney Drew Young sent Mr Nobbe a properly executed settlement agreement from **Enterprise** stating they will pay \$400,000 to the Decatur County Highway Department. Mr Nobbe thanked Mr Mohr and Tim Ortman for being instrumental in keeping good records making/insuring getting these funds possible. Mr Mohr has contacted **Paul Rohe and Company** who is hoping to get to complete their agreement on the Westport Covered Bridge after finishing their I-74 projects.

Area Plan Director Krista Duvall reminded all the Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on Wednesday, November 6th at 6:30 pm and the Area Plan Commission will be right after the BZA meeting. The petitioner for the land fill requested their petition be tabled for November. The proposed ordinances and revisions for the **County's Comprehensive Plan** have been given to Board members and the Commissioners to review before giving those to the public, who will have ample time/opportunity to review before any changes are adopted.

Since October 21st, **Building Inspector Kenny Buening** has completed 45 inspections, 17 new building permits issued and red tagged one electrical problem- ground wires not in conduit. He is monitoring the **McDonald's** remodeling project at the **Love's Truck Stop** and has been working on closing out expired permits; also he has started the plan review on the **Children's Advocacy Center** who applied for a permit last week.

Communications Director Erika Free introduced Josh Tressler who starts today as the new **Public Safety IT Network Engineer**. Both the Greensburg City Council and the Decatur County Council approved funding for this position for the remainder of 2019 and all of 2020. Mr Tressler's responsibilities are set by the 911 Advisory Board which includes the Greensburg Police Chief, the Greensburg Fire Chief, Emergency Management Director, the Decatur County Sheriff and the Communications Director. He will do a 'ticket system' for tracking purposes.

First Deputy Bob Ray and Jail Commander Dana Parker requested funds to purchase a new ID badge printer. Mr Buening moved to approve the expenditure out of the Commissioners' budget, Mr Koors seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Mr Koors moved to approve **Requisition #16** to pay invoices for the Jail Project from the 2018 Bonds. Mr Buening seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred.

EXHIBIT A

<u>Payee and Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
Bruns-Gutzwiller – App # 15	\$166,031.10	
Johannigman Excavating – App # 7	\$45,000.00	--
App # 8	\$112,333.50	
Quality Interiors Inc – App # 11	\$67,870.53	
Quality Plumbing & Heating – App # 15	\$31,781.45	
Koch Mechanical Inc – App # 1030-13	\$73,566.50	
Banta Electrical Contractors – App # 12	\$99,764.25	
Pauly Jail Building Co Inc – App # 16	\$117,689.89	
Anthony Anderson Painting – App # 6	\$64,350.00	
MAD Tech IT -- Inv # S19378	\$2,115.00	
-- Inv # S19379	\$698.15	
-- Inv # S19380	\$7,875.00	
LOTH - Furniture -- Inv 8310	\$62,449.37	
Intertek- PSI Testing & Inspections – Inv # 00662949	\$405.00	
Maxwell Construction – Inv #15	\$27,950.00	
Total--- \$879,879.74		

Jail Project Manager Chris Grabosky told Commissioners paving has been completed at the jail, grass is growing and workers are finishing up on the landscaping. He said the project is still on schedule for a February-March completion and it is still on budget.

Mr Nobbe reported he contacted **Purdue University** about the annual contract supporting three positions at the Extension Office. Commissioners will sign that contract at their next meeting.

Commissioners will review their current budget for additional monies needed to pay **Centerstone** as required by law. Mr Nobbe stated the required dollar amount is not known when Council adopts the following year’s budget which is a problem.

Josh Tressler agreed to ask on behalf of the Commissioners when he talks to **Integration Partners** out of Indianapolis about support for the County’s phones. **ETC** stopped supporting any phone items outside of providing telecommunications.

Tourism Director Philip Deiwert reported Dennis Hagerty has ordered the steel for the Amphitheatre. He is continuing discussions with Parks Director Bob Barker and Jodi Biddinger to build a disc golf course.

Main Street Greensburg Director Terrah Nunley reminded all of the **Holiday Walk** scheduled for December 14th.

Economic Development Commission Director Bryan Robbins is pleased to report Decatur County’s unemployment stands at 2.3%.

Washington Township Assistant Charity Wilder reported on the success of the November 2nd Lake McCoy cleanup. **Decatur County Solid Waste Management** donated a 40 yard dumpster which was

filled and 128 tires also were hauled out. Post cards were mailed to Lake McCoy residents informing of this event and over 25 showed up to help.

Commissioners reviewed the 14 nepotism certifications submitted by the Clerk, Auditor, Treasurer, Recorder, Sheriff, Coroner, Prosecutor, Area Plan Director, EMA Director, Communications Director, Highway Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent and Parks and Rec Director. Nepotism certifications are required annually for each department.

County Treasurer Brenda Dwenger reports her office is gearing up for tax collection season and the Fall Settlement is scheduled for November 25th. She also asked the media to let the public know Courthouse Security will be working the evening of the November 5th general election, so everyone will be 'going through security'.

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

Attest: _____

Date: _____