

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HELD JUNE 17, 2013**

Comes now the hour of 8:40 A.M. on the 17th day of June, 2013, in the Commissioners Court in the Noble County Courthouse, Albion, Indiana, being the time, date and place set for a special session of the Board of Commissioners of Noble County, Indiana.

Present were:

David J. (Dave) Dolezal, Vice President
Chad Kline, Member

Also present were:

Jacqueline L. Knafel, Auditor
Dennis Graft, County Attorney
and Dave Baum, IT Director
Doug Harp, Noble County Sheriff
Bob Braley, KPC
Scott Perry, Albion New Era
Mike Fitch, Highway Engineer
Mark Goodrich, Highway Superintendent
Dick Adair, Building Inspector
Bill Etzler, Engineering firm
Tyler Wonderly
Jack Wonderly

Absent was: Gary Leatherman, President

Dave Dolezal, Commissioner Vice President, called the meeting to order at approximately 8:40AM.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter received from June Strayer concerning her interest in the Bear High Wolf Lake Regional Sewer Board. Jackie Knafel was asked to respond to the request.
- Highway Engineer - opening discussion concerning ads, etc
- Resume was received via e-mail this morning for the engineer position. Resume given to commissioner Dave Dolezal
- Treasurer's report for the month of May
- IDEM - Air permit - Wolfpack Chassis
- Barr property is to be sold and new owners have made a commitment to destroy the property once closing occurs.

MINUTES

Minutes of the June 3, 2013 meeting were approved as written with a motion from Chad Kline and seconded by Dave Dolezal. Motion carried 2-0.

CLAIMS

Claims dated June 17, 2013 were reviewed and approved with a motion from Chad Kline. Dave Dolezal seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

IT DEPARTMENT

- Dave Baum was present to discuss some upcoming purchases over \$500.00. The following requests were made:

1. Work stations for Sheriff's department	\$19,320.00
2. Courthouse	\$ 1,200.00
3. Sortmart - firewall	<u>\$12,547.37</u>
Total	\$33,067.37

A motion was made by Chad Kline to approve the above request. Dave Dolezal seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

- Dave was asked by the commissioners to put the Highway Engineer vacancy on our website. Dave will let me know the link to add to our newspaper wanted ad for the position.
- Discussion concerning camera placement in the courthouse also would include the outside with the new fountain being installed.
- Dave also discussed options concerning the printer fleet in the county. Currently we are in contract with Advanced Imaging for maintenance and toners on about 90 printers. Dave is suggesting possibly doing replacements on a 3 year cycle which new printers would have a maintenance agreement attached. Dave was asked to do an analysis of the printers in specific the low volume printers to see if we are actually in need of replacing all 90 printers. Chad Kline made a motion to approve the purchase of up to 5 cameras. Dave Dolezal seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

SHERIFF

Doug Harp was present to discuss medical service at the jail. A recent tort claim received by the county naming our current physician has sparked the possibility of him retiring from his current position. Doug has been in discussion with other counties and also some private companies to provide medical service to the jail. Doug indicated that contracting with a private company would be more costly - but would possibly reduce expenditures such as outside consulting, prescription costs and liability and would also provide more in-house training. Doug will continue talks with our current doctor as well as do more research concerning other possibilities. Doug also informed the commissioners he will be purchasing more ammo in the upcoming weeks which will be a purchase of over \$500.00 but at this time did not have the exact amount for discussion.

HIGHWAY

Mark Goodrich was present to discuss the following:

- The County has been maintaining a road at Bear Lake between 7th and 8th streets. Mark has been notified by the property owner that this is not a county owned road. The owner should have done a vacation of the road way and to date there is no record that this was

done. Dennis Graft asked Mark to get him a copy of the order once received and then we will proceed.

- Bay 1 at the Highway Garage is now open. The lift has been installed and Mark is happy with the equipment as well as the installation.
- Mark is delaying the specs for the new tandem truck that he will be requesting. Some other information is needed before he will have the specs available.
- Marc Fisher is preparing the 2014 budgets for the highway and is asking for some guidance as to the amount to put in the budget for a Highway Engineer. The Commissioners asked that they start high and suggested \$70,000.00

Mike Fitch was also present and discussed the following:

- Bridge 12 - Mike has received information that County Road 400 S will close 9/22/13 - the bridge will be removed beginning 9/29/13 and the scheduled reopening of the road will be 11/17/13. According to Mike several projects have been moved back due to excessive rain.
- Bridge Inspection project - Phase 2 is coming to a close. This is a 4 year cycle and INDOT is recommending that the county begin planning for the next cycle. Mike will begin the process for receiving proposals for the next project.
- Mike is also recommending that the culvert inventory be updated. He is hoping to do this in-house depending on the availability of crews. If no time is allowed for the research they may have to enlist an outside firm.
- Permits - Construction standards project is nearing a close and he hopes to have it finalized by the end of the month.
- Bridge 134 and the Sign Replacement projects are closing. At a recent inspection of Bridge 134 there were several weak spots found. Pictures and e-mails have been sent to CSX complaint department concerning this issue. To date Mike has not heard anything back from the rail company.
- Bridge 70 - should this be a Local or Federal project. According to INDOT, there will be no more calls for projects until 2015. There is a back log of projects and INDOT would like to address these before getting requests for more projects. This bridge project could wait 2 or 3 years but Mike feels that the county has the money to do this project and that we should precede with local funds. Chad Kline moved to proceed. Dave Dolezal seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.
- 6 bridges in the county need deck work. Mike informed the commissioners that this deck work will be budgeted into the 2014 budget requests.
- Striping research has concluded and requests for quotes were sent out Friday.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Dick Adair was present to discuss unsafe buildings in the county. Jack & Tyler Wonderly were also present as owners of one of those buildings. There was a recent fire at Jack Wonderly's residence and the single wide home is in need of destruction. Several attempts have been made to contact Mr. Wonderly according to Mr. Adair. A public hearing was set for today. Jack told the board they had went to the property to begin clean up last week-end but a notice had been posted on the property and he was afraid to start anything. The Wonderly's were then given 60 days to remove the home. That date will be August 16, 2013 at 4:00PM. If not removed by that time another hearing is set for August 19, 2013 at 10:00AM at which time there will be fines imposed. Chad Kline moved to set the date of demolition as August 16th at 4:00PM and the date

of the hearing - if not done - for August 19th, 2013. Dave Dolezal seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

Beal Property - Dick reported this removal was nearly complete. More dirt will be brought to the site to completely finish the project and at that time billing will occur. Mr. Beal will be billed for this project.

Barr Property - Dawn Barr has sold her property and the new owners have made a commitment to start the demolition. Dennis Graft would like a copy of the deed changing the ownership and then will begin the dismissal process. Chad made a motion to dismiss the Barr project due to the selling of the property. Dave Dolezal seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

ADJOURNMENT

This session of the Board of Commissioners of Noble County was at approximately 10:52 A .M. recessed from day to day until the 24th day of June, 2013.

Gary Leatherman, President

David J. Dolezal, Vice President

Chad Kline, Member

ATTESTED: _____
Jacqueline L. Knafel, Auditor