

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR SESSION OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HELD JULY 1, 2013**

Comes now the hour of 8:30 A.M. on the 1st day of July, 2013, in the Commissioners Court in the Noble County Courthouse, Albion, Indiana, being the time, date and place set for a regular session of the Board of Commissioners of Noble County, Indiana.

Present were:

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

Also present were:

Jacqueline L. Knafel Auditor
Dennis Graft, County Attorney
and Tom Shoemaker, Parkview Noble EMS,
Bob Braley, KPC
Scott Perry, Albion New Era
Doug Harp, Noble County Sheriff
Rebecca Schroeder, Whiteshire Hamrock
Mark Goodrich, Highway Superintendent
Mike Fitch, Highway Engineer

Gary Leatherman called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30AM.

PARKVIEW NOBLE EMS

Tom Shoemaker was present to discuss the purchase of an EMS unit. At the budget discussion with him a few weeks back, he indicated that there was no need for an ambulance this year. Since that discussion there has been an engine problem with a 2009 unit. He could replace the motor but the unit has 175,000 miles on it. Tom is proposing that we buy a new chassis rather than make the repair. Ford no longer makes the E series, so Tom has had a quote on a Chevy chassis. The current bed would be moved from the old unit to the new. The cost is estimated to be \$70,870.00. Dave Dolezal moved to allow the new purchase. Chad Kline seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

CLAIMS

Claims dated July 1, 2013 were reviewed and discussed. Motion to approve the claims in the amount of \$320,600.60 came from Dave Dolezal and was seconded by Chad Kline. Motion carried 3-0.

UTILITY CLAIMS

Utility claims in the amount of \$167,500.84 were approved with a motion from Dave Dolezal and a second from Chad Kline. Motion carried 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following information was duly entered:

- Court Security Monthly Report
- Community Corrections “Intent to Award” grant letter
- IDEM – Niblock Excavating and Asphalt approval decision

HOMELAND SECURITY

Commissioners were in receipt of a Performance Grant Effectiveness Measures letter requesting signatures for the 2012 year of performance by the EMA department. Mick Newton was not available for discussion so the matter was tabled until July 8, 2013.

MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as written with a motion from Chad Kline and a second from Dave Dolezal. Motion carried 3-0.

RIGHT-A-WAY DEDICATION

Nathan Miller, Noble County Plan Director and Rebecca Schroeder, Representing Whiteshire Hamrock, were present to get the commissioners signatures on dedication of road right-of-way. This property is on 650 W and will be the site of a confined feeding operation. There are existing buildings at the location but more are in the works to be added. Dave Dolezal moved to approve the request. Chad Kline seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

FUNDS LEDGER

The Treasurers/Auditor reconciliation of funds was presented to the commissioners for review. Balancing show a \$14,909,393.17 balance for the month of May. Chad Kline moved to approve and initial the report. Dave Dolezal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

AIC CONFERENCE

The commissioners were reminded of the AIC conference coming up in September; Jackie must have the number of commissioners wanting to attend by July 8, 2013 to make the necessary reservations.

HIGHWAY

Mark Goodrich, Highway Superintendent, brought the following information before the commissioners:

- Utility Permit: Noble REMC
- Utility Permit: NIPSCO
- Mark is recommending the new tandem truck be purchased from Western Star. Mark indicated that this model meets all the required specs and feels this truck is the best of all that was quoted. The price will be \$98,233.00. Mark will be putting the old truck on Craig's list to see what kind of price we might get. If not sold, the truck will be traded and the trade in price was quoted at \$20,000.00. Chad Kline moved to accept Mark's recommendation for purchase. Dave Dolezal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Chad also moved to approve the bed purchase for this new vehicle is from WA Jones. Dave Dolezal seconded that motion. Motion carried 3-0.
- Mark also reported that the new truck ordered some time ago will be delivered this week for inspection and will then go to W A Jones for bed installation.
- Ballenshire and Wellington roads have been completed according to Mark and Mike Fitch in now recommending that the County accept these roads into the county for maintenance purposes. Dave Dolezal moved to approve this acceptance and Chad Kline seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Mike Fitch is also present for the following discussions:

- Constructions Standards have been reviewed and returned to Mike. Mike should have the County's Permits updated based on these standards within the next couple of weeks.
- Bridge 70 work will begin next summer. This will be a cost of approximately \$500,000.00.
- Engineering Resources will be here Friday to begin inspections on various bridge decks. They will then put together estimates for repairing the decks.
- Striping quotes are due July 3, 2013 and next week Mike will have the quotes for awarding the striping contract.
- Mike Fitch has set an interview with a prospective Highway Engineer candidate at 1:30PM this afternoon. If a good candidate, he will schedule a second interview for the commissioners.
- Bridge 134 – Mike has still not heard anything back from the rail company concerning loose boards on the bridge. Chad Kline suggested that the County Attorney send a letter requesting action on this issue. Mike Fitch is to get the e-mail that he sent to Dennis for action.

SHERIFF

Doug Harp, Noble County Sheriff, is present for the following:

- Doug wanted to publicly thank Mick Newton for his help with a recent SWAT team issue.
- The next two payrolls from the sheriff's department will be on the new system. Doug indicated he believes the bugs have finally been worked out and the system will be used fully in the upcoming weeks.
- Central Noble Schools have indicated to Doug that the SRO program has been accepted, however, Doug does not have a signed MOU at present. The agreement will be a 3 year contract with the school system paying for 180 days of service for the deputy assigned. Commissioners will wait for corrections to be made to the MOU and for a signed copy from the school board before any further decision is made.
- Doug has been in talks with the Jail's current physician and all indications are that he will be giving his notice of resignation. The physician, his attorney, and Doug would like to request an executive session for Wednesday July 3, 2013 at 3:00PM. Notice was prepared, faxed to papers, and posted by noon July 1, 2013.
- Doug has contacted companies that provide medical services to jail and has some prices from some. He is very interested in a company that provides to several surrounding counties and will have more information once the current physician decides what he will do.
- Rick Anderson, Courthouse security, has retired. His last day was Thursday, June 27, 2013. Justin Stump will be coming back to the courthouse for security; however, he is currently in dispatch and will be working there until a replacement can be found. Mitch Fiantt will need to replace this position since it is paid from 911 funds.

BUDGETS/CEDIT

Jackie Knafel, Noble County Auditor, is bringing the final requested budgets before the commissioners for approval. Also in discussion is the 2014-2015 CEDIT plan. The airport discussion was tabled from last week and was discussed again today. Chad Kline made a motion to add Project 11 to the CEDIT plan and to allow \$34,000.00 as a supplement for the

Kendallville City Airport. Dave Dolezal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Budgets for the Commissioners, Cum Building Courthouse, CEDIT, CAGIT Certified Shares, and Debt Service Jail will be entered as requested.

LANDFILL

Randy Sexton, Noble County Surveyor, is present to discuss a recent complaint made by a surrounding property owner at the Noble County Landfill. Randy was asked by the commissioners to come up with a plan to correct the leachate problem. Randy is presenting the plan to cap the leak with a clay filled cap. He has been in discussion with IDEM and is working to set up a Wednesday meeting with the commissioners, IDEM and himself. He does not have the exact time at present and will notify the commissioners when that information is available. Randy indicated this project will cost between \$15,000 and \$20,000.00, but if this solves the issue will stop the constant pumping now going on and will pay for itself in a short period of time.

HAINES BULLDOZING CONTRACT

Mike Haines, who has been hired to do work at the Noble County Landfill, is entering into a contract with Noble County to continue those services. Mike presented his Certificate of Liability Insurance along with the contract to the Commissioners. Dave Dolezal moved to approve the contract. Chad Kline seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT

This session of the Board of Commissioners of Noble County was at approximately 11:30 A .M. recessed from day to day until the 3rd day of July, 2013.

Session was to continue at the Noble County Landfill with IDEM, Commissioners, and Randy Sexton but was cancelled by IDEM and rescheduled for July 9, 2013 or July 10, 2013. Time to be determined.

Gary Leatherman, President

David J. Dolezal, Vice President

Chad Kline, Member

ATTESTED: _____
Jacqueline L. Knafel, Auditor