

**DAVISS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
Tuesday, August 13, 2019
Daviness County Commissioners Room, Daviness County Courthouse
Washington, Indiana**

The Daviess County Commissioners met Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners' Room within the Daviess County Courthouse.

Roll Call.

Present: Nathan Gabhart, President, Tom McCracken, Secretary.

Absent: Michael Taylor, Vice President.

Nathan Gabhart, Daviess County Commissioner, called the meeting to order.

Chris Coney, with Veale Creek Baptist Church, gave the opening prayer.

MINUTES OF THE JULY 15, 2019 SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Motion: To Approve 7/15/2019 Meeting Minutes, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Tom McCracken, Secretary, **Seconded by** Nathan Gabhart, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES OF THE JULY 23, 2019 COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Motion: To Approve 7/23/2019 Meeting Minutes, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Tom McCracken, Secretary, **Seconded by** Nathan Gabhart, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

HIGHWAY

Nathan Gabhart, Daviess County Commissioner, stated the Daviess County Highway Department held a meeting this morning regarding information about the Daviess/Martin trail project with Greg Jones, SIDC.

900 E UPDATE AND CLAIMS VOUCHER

Phil Cornelius, Daviess County Highway Supervisor, came before the Commissioners with an update for 900 E. Right now they are working on a change order due to cost of the asphalt going up from when it was originally bid. INDOT has committed to paying the 80% on that. Construction Inspection for Cannelburg road Phase 3 Claim Voucher is for \$3,766.19 with \$3,012.95 being reimbursable. Developing Phase 4 is claim voucher for Preliminary Engineering for Cannelburg road Phase 4 is for gross amount \$55,314.50 with \$44,251.60 being reimbursable. Road way design is 28.89% complete, Environmental Document is 99.23% complete, Bridge Design is 12% complete, Survey is 98.04% complete, and Traffic Analysis is 86.83% complete. They just started with Utility Coordination so it is 7% complete. Mr. Cornelius presented the two claim vouchers to the Commissioners for single signature.

Motion: Approve 2 claim vouchers, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Tom McCracken, Secretary, **Seconded by** Nathan Gabhart, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

BRIDGE INSPECTION UPDATE AND VOUCHER

Phil Cornelius, Daviess County Highway Supervisor, updated the Commissioners on the continuing county wide bridge inspection. Phase 1 with the county wide bridge inspection of all county bridges claim voucher is for gross amount \$24,726.02 with \$19,780.82 being reimbursable.

Motion: Approve bridge inspection claim voucher, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Tom McCracken, Secretary, **Seconded by** Nathan Gabhart, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

PROJECT UPDATES

Phil Cornelius, Daviess County Highway Supervisor, updated Commissioners on the chip and seal program. Started back over with the top coats and the bottom coats are completed. The concrete box on 1000N is now installed. Installation took 4 days to put the concrete box in and have the road open.

Regarding the airport road, Mr. Cornelius met with the Airport and Jeremy Barber (farmer that had concerns about the airport road and closure with farm equipment) to discuss the options for a turn around for farm equipment. The airport agreed to put the turn around on the airport property. This turn around will be gated off. There will be keys to unlock this gate to the farmers when they need access. Nathan Gabhart, Daviess County Commissioner, stated the road closure is still on the agenda for September. Milestone, will start sending Phil updates as the September date approaches.

Mr. Cornelius stated the CR 1000 N project has two bridges on it and he is getting quotes for Pave Prep that goes on the decks of the bridges. Two other bridges on the chip and seal jobs that they want to overlay with this treatment and asphalt those as well.

Nathan Gabhart, Daviess County Commissioner, mentioned a dip in the road on Corning road at CR 425 S. There is a dip there that is continuing to sink and people have mentioned to him that with trailers traveling down that road is difficult. Mr. Cornelius stated there are other spots on some other county roads and that there is an issue with water in these spots. They will eventually have to go out to repair these spots.

Mr. Cornelius stated E&B had contacted him about some millings. E&B will be working on some of the I69 bridges. There are 6 county bridges, not all of them are Daviess County bridges. This will leave 8,000 tons of millings. The millings could possibly be used for the 4H parking lot project. Nathan mentioned the impact that would be for the park to have that parking lot. Those millings possibly going for that project would be a good first step.

Mr. Cornelius stated the bridge project on CR 400 E south of CR 300 S has a low water crossing and that area is broken down about a mile and a half. They have patched this area but would like to add a bridge in there and Phil has asked for E&H Bridge to quote this. Then on CR 300 W South of Business 50 there is a bridge with beams that are rotting and E&H Bridge gave a quote for that as well. The top flanges is what is deteriorating on the bridge.

Nathan Gabhart, Daviess County Commissioner, stated there needs be a safety meeting in September or October with the Amish Safety Committee.

ANNEX

Paul Williams, Hoosier Insurance, came before the Commissioners regarding the Builders' Risk Insurance regarding risk coverage on construction of new county Annex Building on 300 E Hefron Street, Washington, IN. The Builders' Risk Insurance was previously held by the previous General Contractor. Mr. Williams would like to give a quote for the new building contract. There is a \$5,000.00 minimum earned premium and \$8,015.00 is the total annual premium. Mr. Williams stated that he wanted to get this insurance coverage in place so when the new contract is signed the insurance will be in place. Mr. Gabhart stated to go ahead and get the insurance in place now. Nathan Gabhart, Daviess County Commissioner, confirmed this is to come out of fund 8102.

Motion: Approve Builders' Risk policy with Hoosier Insurance, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Tom McCracken, Secretary, **Seconded by** Nathan Gabhart, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

DAVISS COMMUNITY HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS

Nathan Gabhart, Daviess County Commissioner, stated the Daviess Community Hospital has sent a letter with the recommendations for the Board of Governors Appointments. Deron Steiner and Tony Showalter were nominated to be appointed.

Motion: To except nominations for the Appointment of Deron Steiner and Tony Showalter for Daviess Community Hospital Board, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Tom McCracken, Secretary, **Seconded by** Nathan Gabhart, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT-SCOTT MYERS

Scott Myers, Daviess County Emergency Management Director, is at a training conference and isn't present at the meeting but Nathan Gabhart, Daviess County Commissioner, stated he had spoken with Mr. Myers ahead of time to discuss this grant application. This grant purpose is to enhance response and training of the First Responder's Rescue Task Force. Grant items budgeted will provide better training for the Task Force creating a proactive response to an active shooter situation. The amount requested is \$9,448.97.

Motion: Approve, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Tom McCracken, Secretary, **Seconded by** Nathan Gabhart, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

CONTRACT WITH COMBINED COMMUNICATION-GARY ALLISON

Gary Allison, Daviess County Sheriff, came before the Commissioner regarding Combined Public Communications. This contract for services is to provide a messaging service for inmate usage called Chirping at the Daviess County Sheriff's Office. This device is for the inmates to be able to communicate. Combined Public Communications will provide, install and maintain Chirping devices. This is like a text "Chirp" that inmates can use. Inmates can call, email, and text from the Chirping devices. Mr. Allison also stated this is something that can be used for disciplinary use as well. The Sheriff's department would be able to monitor all of the communication on the chirping devices. Grant Swartzentruber, Daviess County Attorney, brought to attention that this contract is an auto renewal so we want to pay attention to that renewal date. The inmates pay for a portion of the rate for use of the Chirping device. Chirping rates are \$4.00 per month per chirping device and phone number, and \$.10 per chirp. Each device has a value of \$200.00. The inmate will be charged the device value if damaged or lost while assigned to him/her.

Motion: Approve contract for Combined Communications, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Tom McCracken, Secretary, **Seconded by** Nathan Gabhart, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

CISSELL PROPERTY 215 NE 4TH ST

Grant Swartzentruber, Daviess County Attorney, stated that on the July 9 Commissioners approved to have a single signature to sign the Purchase Agreement on the approved purchase of this property. This purchase was to provide more space for parking spaces. Mr. Swartzentruber stated the title company is ready to close on this purchase. This purchase will come out of fund 4802. Patty Ball, Daviess County Auditor, stated there are some taxes that need to be taken care of at closing for this property.

APPRAISALS

Nathan Gabhart, Daviess County Commissioner, discussed the two appraisals for potential purchase property located 314 NE 3rd St, Washington, IN. Grant Swartzentruber, Daviess County Attorney, stated that the appraisal process has been the same with every property purchase. There are two appraisers hired to do an appraisal on the property that is considered for purchase by the Commissioners. Then the appraised value from both appraisals are averaged. This is step one in the process for Commissioners to determine whether or not they want to purchase this property. Appraisals are at \$55,000.00 and \$50,000 for an average \$52,500.00. Mr. Gabhart stated he would like to table this purchase of this property for now. The appraiser's \$900.00 invoices needs to be paid. Mr. Gabhart would like to look more at the long term plan before actually purchasing the property. At this point the appraisals are for information only.

Motion: Table the purchase of the appraised property on 314 NE 3rd St, Washington, IN **Moved by Tom McCracken, Secretary, Seconded by Nathan Gabhart, President.**

Motion passed unanimously.

PAYROLL DOCKET 7/19/2019 & 8/2/2019

Motion: Approve payroll docket 7/19/2019 & 8/2/2019, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by Tom McCracken, Secretary, Seconded by Nathan Gabhart, President.**

Motion passed unanimously.

CLAIMS DOCKET 8/16/2019

Motion: Approve claims docket for 8/16/2019, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by Tom McCracken, Secretary, Seconded by Nathan Gabhart, President.**


Motion passed unanimously.

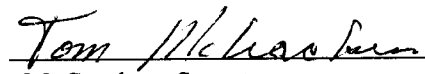
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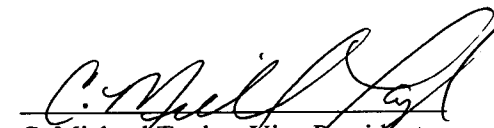
- UMR MONTHLY REPORT**
- IPEP MEMBER'S 2019 ANNUAL MEETING INVITATION**
- DAVISS COUNTY HOUSING REHABILITATION PROJECT**
- KNOX COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE**
- DAVISS COMMUNITY HOSPITAL-CHNA FOCUS GROUP**


Motion: Adjourn Meeting, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by Tom McCracken, Secretary, Seconded by Nathan Gabhart, President.**

Motion passed unanimously.


Nathan Gabhart, President


Tom McCracken, Secretary


C. Michael Taylor, Vice President

ATTEST: 
Patricia K. Ball, Auditor of Daviess County