

**DAVISS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
Tuesday, March 10, 2020
Daviness County Commissioners Room, Daviness County Courthouse
Washington, Indiana**

The Daviess County Commissioners met Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners' Room within the Daviess County Courthouse.

Roll Call.

Present: Michael Taylor, Secretary, Nathan Gabhart, President, Tom McCracken, Vice President.

Nathan Gabhart, President called the meeting to order.

Jerry Turner with Christ United Methodist Church offered an opening prayer

EXECUTIVE SESSION STATEMENT

Grant Swartzentruber, Daviess County Attorney, stated the only thing discussed during Executive Session was that which was advertised. The Executive Session is authorized under Indiana Code Section 5-14-1.5-6.1(b) was held Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 12:00 P.M. in the Commissioners Room at the Daviess County Courthouse with President Nathan Gabhart, Vice-President Tom McCracken, and Secretary Michael Taylor present for discussion of strategy with respect to the following: Interviews and negotiations with industrial or commercial prospects or agents of industrial or commercial prospects by the Indiana economic development corporation, the office of tourism development, the Indiana finance authority, the ports of Indiana, an economic development commission, the Indiana state department of agriculture, a local economic development organization or a governing body of political subdivision.

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MEETING MINUTES 2/25/2020 & 2/28/2020

Motion: , Action: Approve, Moved by Tom McCracken, Vice President, Seconded by Michael Taylor, Secretary.

Motion passed unanimously.

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DAVISS COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER (ANNEX) UPDATE

Mike Schapker, Daviess County Government Center Owners Representative, came before the Commissioners to give an update of the Government Center construction. Mr. Schapker stated he is currently working on the estimated cost of completion. The contract has a few edits and will be presented to the Commissioners soon. Currently the windows are being wrapped. Monday there is a scheduled meeting with Danco Construction, Inc. for a preconstruction meeting.

AWARD BID FOR GOVERNMENT CENTER

Mike Schapker, Daviess County Government Center Owner's Representative, asking the Commissioners to officially accept the Danco Construction, Inc. out of Evansville IN. This bid was taken under advisement at the February 28, 2020 Board of Commissioners meeting for the amount of \$567,890.00.00, with the Alternate No. 1 for the Stacked Stone accent wall in the amount of \$4,830.00 for a total cost \$572,720.00.

Motion: Approve Danco Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$572,720.00, Action: Approve, Moved by Michael Taylor, Secretary, Seconded by Tom McCracken, Vice President.

Motion passed unanimously.

SUBCONTRACTOR NOTICES

Mike Schapker, Daviess County Government Center Owner's Representative, presented the Commissioners with letters to three subcontractors that will be sent out to notify them they will no longer be needed for the Government Center project. These notifications are due to lack of quality of work on the Government Center. These letters are presented to Commissioners with a single signature required.

Motion: Approve 3 letters to subcontractors that will not be returning to Government Center project, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Tom McCracken, Vice President, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, Secretary. Motion passed unanimously.

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HIGHWAY

900 E UPDATE AND VOUCHERS

Phil Cornelius, Daviess County Highway Supervisor, came before the Commissioners regarding 900 E Cannelburg road Phase 4. Currently Mr. Cornelius is working with appraisers. The County will not be required to have mitigation site for the trees at the bridge as previously discussed.

Mr. Cornelius presented a LPA Claim Voucher, to the Commissioners for a gross amount of \$35,141.28 with Federal Share Reimbursable 80% at \$28,113.02. This Claim Voucher was presented to Commissioners for approval with a single signature. **Document**

Motion: Approve the LPA Claim Voucher, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Michael Taylor, Secretary, **Seconded by** Tom McCracken, Vice President. Motion passed unanimously.

MOU WITH INDIANA GEOLOGICAL SURVEY FOR A WEATHER STATION ON HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT PROPERTY

Phil Cornelius, Daviess County Highway Department, came before the Commissioners a Memorandum of Understanding between the Daviess County Board of Commissions and the Indiana Geological and Water Survey. Mr. Cornelius came before the Commissioners previously regarding Indiana Geological Survey and Indiana University. They are asking to place a weather station on the Highway Department property. This weather station is projected to benefit projects such as, STEM related programs, area schools, and 4H. Tom McCracken, Commissioner, inquired about the termination language in the memorandum. Grant Swartzentruber, Daviess County Attorney stated that the termination is sufficient cover in the language and could get out of the memorandum with relative ease. The weather station will cover a 6-10 foot square space. **Document**

Motion: Approve MOU with Indiana Geological Survey for Weather Station on Highway Department Property, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Michael Taylor, Secretary, **Seconded by** Tom McCracken, Vice President.

Motion passed unanimously.

QUOTES FOR MOTOR GRADERS

Phil Cornelius, Daviess County Highway Supervisor, came before the Commissioners regarding purchase of three road graders. The road graders have previously been leased but now would like to purchase road graders instead of leasing. GSA (General Services Administration) is pricing per unit with a 30% discount is \$313,663.82 total. MacAllister is willing to do better than the GSA contract and offering 47% discount which brings the total sale price to \$242,119.15. MacAllister is offering \$17,000.00 for the 1998 772 John Deere grader and offering \$35,000.00 for the 2014 CT660 Truck for trade in. These are minimum trade values. The bid is for three individual pieces of equipment with two trade in on one grader. The total for all three graders with the net cost \$674,238.30. This will fall under LRS fund in lieu of leasing with interest rates. Mr. Cornelius stated the lease numbers would have been about \$34,000.00 a year for five years and paying \$50,000.00 in interest over that five years per grader. **Document Document**

Motion: Approve \$674,238.30 for 3 road graders to be funded out of the LRS fund, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Tom McCracken, Vice President, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, Secretary. Motion passed unanimously.

HIGHWAY STATEMENT

Nathan Gabhart, Daviess County Commissioner, stated there was a meeting this morning at the Highway Department. Items that were discussed are 475 E north of 600 S regarding chip and seal, equipment replacement program, 600 S Rob Burris road, and shooting range. **Document**

CUM BRIDGE RATE

Grant Swartzentruber, Daviess County Attorney, opened the Public Hearing for Cum Bridge Rate March 10, 2020 at 9:27 AM. Mr. Swartzentruber read the Cum Bridge Rate publication. This is regarding Ordinance 2020-3 Establishing Cumulative Bridge Fund 1135 for the purpose for the maintenance of bridges in Daviess County, Indiana and for all legal uses set out in Indiana Code 6-1.1-41. Nathan Gabhart, Commissioner, stated that Commissioners have decided to keep the rate at .0898 the overall property tax rate will not increase. Mr. Swartzentruber asked those present if there comments and questions. With no questions Mr. Swartzentruber closed the Public Hearing March 10, 2020 at 9:30 AM. Mr. Swartzentruber read the Ordinance 2020-3 Establishing Cumulative Bridge Fund 1135.

Commissioners moved forward to approve Cum Bridge rate \$.0898 and this will be attested by the Auditor. **Document Document**

Motion: Approve Ordinance 2020-3 Establishing Cum Bridge fund 1135 at rate \$.0898, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Michael Taylor, Secretary, **Seconded by** Tom McCracken, Vice President. Motion passed unanimously.

BENNINGTON LEVEE-TOM GRAHAM

Tom Graham, board member of the Bennington Levee, came before the Commissioners along with the other 4 Bennington Levee board members with updates and a project that is going on with the Bennington Levee. Mr. Graham presented the Commissioners with documents regarding the Bennington Levee. The Bennington Levee is a federal levee that is inspected by the Army Corp of Engineers. Due to a series of lightning strikes during the spring of 2019 there were three transformers damaged at the Smothers Creek Plant twice. The generators had to be used at that time. The levee board members are looking into an up to date apparatus. The solution is to install a 12.5 KV underground line, transformers will be cheaper and more readily available as will fuses and other repairs. The cost of the project is presently estimated to be just under \$200,000.00. Currently the Levee board is pursuing assistance from SIDC. Once that lead has been followed, they will be trying for other state and federal assistance. If those leads do not work, the backup plan is request assistance from Daviess County. Mr. Graham stated they are hoping to get started on this project this summer. Paul Williams, Hoosier Insurance, stated as long as the Army Corp of Engineer approves the levee the insurance will pay. Stating the importance of the levees staying in regulation. **Document**

MISPLACED ROAD BOND 60S014390 CR425S

Phil Cornelius, came before the Commissioners regarding misplaced road bond 60S014390 CR425S. November 28, 2017, the Commissioners approved and executed the Termination to Temporary Road Closure Agreement for a portion of CR 425 S and officially released Original Bond No. 60S014390 issued by Liberty Mutual Insurance Company in the amount of \$16,000.00. The County considers the Bond misplaced or lost. This letter is to inform Peabody Midwest Mining, LLC (Peabody), Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and any other interested parties that the Bond is lost, and Peabody is released and discharged from any and all further duties, responsibilities, and obligations, pursuant to the Bond by the county. **Document**

Motion: Approve road bond letter, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Michael Taylor, Secretary, **Seconded by** Tom McCracken, Vice President.

Motion passed unanimously.

DAVISS COUNTY EMPLOYEES HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN-JENNIFER WELSH

Jennifer Welsh, Daviess County Deputy Auditor over Human Resources, and Paul Williams, Hoosier Health, came before the Commissioners regarding Daviess County Employees Health Benefit Plan. Ms. Welsh stated that the last year UMR provided a teladoc service however this has changed and now is implementing OC24health. There are no cost changes or anything to the County UMR is making the County aware of the change. Mr. Williams explained this is so employees can get a doctor visit without having to go see the doctor. Employees can get on line 24/7 and use a doctor to help with minor health issues and get Prescriptions from the pharmacy. Ms. Welsh presented the Commissioners with Amendment 01 and Amendment 02 from UMR regarding OC24health. **Document Document Document**

Motion: Approve, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Michael Taylor, Secretary, **Seconded by** Tom McCracken, Vice President.

Motion passed unanimously.

ANNUAL BAKERTILLY CONTINUING DISCLOSURE SERVICES CONTRACT

Patty Ball, Daviess County Auditor, presented the Commissioners with an Annual Bakertilly Continuing Disclosure Services contract. This for professional services on the security side of Bakertilly. This is the annual fee for this contract. **Document**

Motion: Approve Bakertilly Annual Disclosure Service, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Tom McCracken, Vice President, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, Secretary.

Motion passed unanimously.

Steve Myers, former Daviess County Commissioner, stated that he would like to commend the county on the great job on the county roads.

PAYROLL DOCKET 2/28/2020

Motion: , **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Michael Taylor, Secretary, **Seconded by** Tom McCracken, Vice President.

Motion passed unanimously.

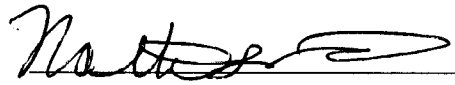
CLAIMS DOCKET 2/27/2020, 3/5/2020, & 3/13/2020,


Motion: , **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Michael Taylor, Secretary, **Seconded by** Tom McCracken, Vice President.

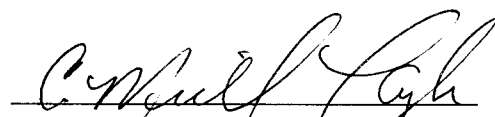
Motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION

USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT


Nathan Gabhart, President


Tom McCracken, Secretary


C. Michael Taylor, Vice President

ATTEST: 
Patricia K. Ball, Auditor of Daviess County