

**SPECIAL MEETING DUBOIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**January 25, 2022**

A special meeting of the Dubois County Commissioners was held in the Commissioners/Council Room of the Courthouse Annex in Jasper, Indiana, beginning at 8:00 a.m. (EST) on January 25, 2022. Present were Commissioners Chad A. Blessinger and Nick Hostetter. Also present were County Auditor Sandra L. Morton, Highway Supervisor Steve Berg, and County Attorney Gregory S. Schnarr. A quorum was declared present, and the meeting was opened for business by President Blessinger.

**RE: 4x4 FLAT-BED TON TRUCK CHASSIS PROCUREMENT**

Highway Supervisor Steve Berg and County Attorney Gregory S. Schnarr presented information on the Highway Departments' procurement of a 4x4 Flat-Bed Ton Truck Chassis. On May 17, 2021, the County awarded a quote to Sternberg Ford of Dale for the purchase and delivery of 4x4 Flat-Bed Ton Truck Chassis. Due to circumstances outside of the control of Sternberg and the County, the delivery of the 2021 Ford F-550 4x4 Flat-Bed Ton Truck has not been fulfilled. A Mutual Termination and Release Agreement was presented to terminate, for both parties, their current obligations associated with the procurement of the 2021 Ford F-550 4x4 Flat-Bed Ton Truck and cancel the agreement and release each other from liability and responsibility thereunder.

A motion was made to approve the Mutual Termination and Release Agreement with Sternberg, was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

Highway Supervisor Steve Berg reported that during the County's latest round of winter storm recovery efforts that took place a week ago, the County suffered a fatal blow to the unit that was originally planned to trade for the Sternberg 2021 Ford F-550 4x4 Flat-Bed Ton Truck. This unit is one of two units that handle brine application and snow plowing activities during the snow and ice removal season for the County. Brine application is a large part of that effort and with this unit out of commission, the County's ability to handle these jobs will be hampered which may result in a public safety issue. The timing of all of this is critical particularly since we have much of the winter season remaining. The ability for the County to acquire a qualified unit as quickly as possible is important for the County to get its fleet back to full strength.

Pursuant to I.C. 5-22-10-1 and I.C. 5-22-10-4(a) covering special purchasing methods, it was recommended to proceed with the purchase of a 2021 Chevrolet Silverado Medium Duty 4WD 4500HD from Uebelhor & Sons in the amount of \$59,401.00 which includes rebates and with no trade-in unit. This purchase will allow the County's workforce to perform their required duties and to do so in a manner which continues to protect the public's health, welfare, and safety.

A motion was made to approve the special purchase in accordance with I.C. 5-22-10-1, et seq., was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

**RE: ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 a.m.