

September 20, 1999

Commissioner Chairman, Brian Hauptert, called the meeting to order in the courthouse at 9:00 a.m. with all members attending. Minutes of the 9/13 meeting were approved as written, moved by Lester Templin, second by Darle Dawes, and passed. Commissioners reviewed and signed the Payroll Claim & Allowance Docket and the Payroll Check Register. They reviewed the Clerk's Monthly Report for August. Upon the recommendation of Co. Assessor, Kelly Schenkel, Commissioners signed the reassessment contract with Accurate Assessments, Inc. of Ft. Wayne. Les moved to approve Resolution 1999-9, which waives the Performance Bond requirement by the certified appraiser for reassessment, second by Darle, and passed. Les moved to use \$25,700. from the courthouse capital outlay account along with \$6,425. provided by the Wabash Co. Council on Aging, to pay for the new van purchased by the Council on Aging thru a reimbursable section 18 grant, second by Darle, and passed. The county will be reimbursed for their share thru the grant. The van will be used for public transportation. After reviewing House Enrolled Act 1606, effective 7/1/99, which changes the membership of the county plan commission board, under protest Darle moved to remove Carol Armstrong as a citizen member of the board, second by Les, and passed. Commissioners must appoint a township trustee to the board prior to October 1st. Commissioners want more information before deciding to create an ordinance regulating tattoo parlors. County Health Nurse, Jane Skeans, is responsible for inspecting them, and she requested the ordinance.

Larry Rice, Co. Highway Dept.: Striping of Meridian Rd. is completed. He has an estimate from DebCo Metal Products to replace the box culvert on CR 700 W and CR 400 N. A 12-B aluminum box culvert with a 57.2 sq. ft. opening is \$18,058.93 with installation at \$23,000. Larry will attempt to get additional estimates before Commissioners make a decision. Commissioners set November 8, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. as the deadline for Highway Supply bids.

Tim Roberts, Sheriff: Presented estimates from Emergency Radio Services and J & K Communications for replacing the jail radio system. It's hard to get like quality in a new system, when the old one destroyed by lightning dates back to 1979. He's negotiating a settlement with the insurance company, but prefers the quality of the products included in the J & K Communications estimate. Les moved approval to order the needed equipment from J & K Communications, which totals under \$23,000. ,second by Darle, and passed. Tim thinks at least \$20,000. will be covered by insurance. With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Brian K. Hauptert, Chairman

Darle Dawes

Lester D. Templin

ATTEST: _____
Carol Stefanatos, Auditor