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Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, June 13, 2011. Chairman Scott E. Givens called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. with all members present: Givens, Barry J. Eppley, and Brian K. Hauptert. The proceedings of the meeting were recorded by Auditor Jane Ridgeway. The minutes of the May 31, 2011 meeting and June 1, 2011 Special Session were reviewed. Eppley made a motion to approve the minutes for both meetings as written; his motion was seconded by Hauptert and passed with a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent, presented four (4) gas service installation requests from NIPSCO:

1. 4648 E 800 N, North Manchester
2. 7360 N 500 E, North Manchester
3. 4643 E 800 N, North Manchester
4. 275 N Ogden Road, Laketon

Hauptert made a motion to approve requests; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed by a 3-0 vote.

Wabash County Sheriff Bob Land:

1. Presented a jail report for the week ending 6/5/11. The population on 6/6/11 was 84; with four (4) inmates housed at the Miami County Jail and one (1) housed at the Kosciusko County Jail.
2. Presented a jail report for the week ending 6/12/11. The average daily population was 84.71; three (3) inmates are housed at the Miami County Jail.

Bob Brown, EMA and Central Dispatch Director:

1. Stated on June 28th at 8:30 A.M. the annual LEPC EMA exercise will be held at the Honeywell Center; Brown extended an invitation to Commissioners.
2. Stated chlorine training will be held this week for first responders hosted by Indiana American Water.
3. Stated on June 21st WTH will be here to complete their audits on the think maps for Wabash County Sheriff's Department, North Manchester Police Department and the Wabash City Police Department.
4. Stated on June 23rd he will be attending an EMA Director's Annual Workshop DPC/DPOC meeting in Fort Wayne.
5. Stated starting June 27th a Public Safety Telecommunication Course will be held at Central Dispatch for Dispatchers. It is three (3) eight (8) hours sessions with testing at the end of the training.

Christa Stroup, Circuit Court Reporter, presented an Additional Appropriation Request totaling \$1,940 from IV-D Incentive to pay for Microsoft Office package licenses for the previously approved computer replacement for the Circuit Court. The computer vendor informed Circuit Court that the current software licenses cannot be transferred to the new computers. Eppley made a motion to approve

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request to go before Council; his motion was seconded by Hauptert and passed by a 3-0 vote. Auditor Ridgeway stated this is a new Title IV-D that was moved from the General Fund per State mandate. It currently has a balance of approximately \$19,000.

Mike Howard, Planning Director, presented an Additional Appropriation Request totaling \$8,500 to pay for a demolition at 85 N Wabash in Ijamsville and to be hauled to the landfill. Howard stated this case went to court and it was resolved in favor of the county but until funds are obtained from the owner an additional appropriation needs to be done. Howard also stated when the permit fees were established, it was the intent of the Plan Commission to have the fees set aside, accrue over time and be used for purposes such as demolition. Howard stated the Plan Commission is researching to see if fees were to be maintained once placed into a revolving fund. Ridgeway stated the permit fees were receipted into the General Fund and in the past an amount was appropriated each year as a "Revolving Fund" account line item; however, this appropriation was discontinued several years ago by the Council due to lack of use. Ridgeway stated because the fees were in the General Fund they have been part of revenue calculated for the tax base and rates. She feels if a "Revolving Fund" should be re-established it should be set up as a Special Revenue Fund separate from the General Fund. Eppley made a motion to approve the Additional Appropriation request totaling \$8,500 go before Council; his motion was seconded by Hauptert and passed by a 3-0 vote.

Steve Downs, County Attorney:

1. Presented Ordinance No. 85-03-2011: An ordinance regulating traffic on county highways; specifically the speed limit on Hanging Rock Road. Starting at a point three thousand one hundred forty-one (3,141) feet east of intersection of State Road 524 and then continuing east a distance of one thousand two hundred fifty (1,250) feet setting the speed limit at thirty-five (35) miles per hour. Hauptert made a motion to approve Ordinance 85-03-2011 on first reading; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed by a 3-0 vote. Hauptert suspended the rules for a second reading; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed by a 3-0. Hauptert made a motion to adopt Ordinance 85-03-2011; his motion was seconded by Eppley and was adopted by a 3-0 vote.
2. Presented Ordinance No. 85-04-2011: Prohibiting Certain Motor Vehicles on River Road between CR 700 W and 800 W; any motor vehicle as defined in I.C. 9-13-2-105 with a gross weight of more than four thousand (4,000) pounds is prohibited from traveling on said road. Eppley made a motion to approve Ordinance 85-04-2011 on the first reading; his motion was seconded by Hauptert and passed by a 3-0 vote. Eppley made a motion to suspend the rules to allow a second reading; his motion was seconded by Hauptert and passed by a 3-0 vote. Eppley made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 85-04-2011; his motion was seconded by Hauptert and was adopted by a 3-0 vote.

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3. Downs stated the initial hearing regarding the K2 Spice is being held this morning.

Jane Ridgeway, Wabash County Auditor:

1. Presented the Payroll Claims and Allowance Docket for Pay period ended 6-11-11. This includes the final pay for former Health Officer Dr. J. Dean Gifford. Commissioners unanimously approved.
2. Stated she will present the Certificates of Appointment for the Laketon Regional Area Sewer Board at next week's meeting. Ridgeway requested clarification on which appointee would hold the post until December 2013 and which would hold the post until December 2014; Commissioners stated Councilman Ted Little will hold the 2013 post and Surveyor Cheri Slee will hold the 2014 post.
3. Reviewed the Tiede Metz & Downs, P.C. Invoice for May, 2011 totaling \$1,933.50.
4. Received a request from Living Well in Wabash County, formerly Council on Aging for the second half of their annual 2011 allocation totaling \$12,500. Eppley made a motion to approve request for \$12,500; his motion was seconded by Hauptert and passed by a 3-0 vote. Givens stated the invoice totals \$18,750 and requested Ridgeway obtain clarification on the difference of the invoiced amount. Ridgeway stated she would contact Living Well for clarification.
5. Stated June Settlement for collection of Spring Property Taxes was completed last week and has been distributed electronically to all units.

Nancy Hoffman, Executive Director ARC of Wabash County, Inc. along with ARC Board Member David Coble, Board President Jeff Myers and Sheltered Workshop Operations Manager Cathy Bakehorn:

1. Reviewed the 2012 Budget Request. Hoffman stated the revenues are down and the budget has been cut to the bare bones. The main portion of the budget goes to the staff, but since this is a service organization staff is imperative. There was a deficit of \$5,300 in 2010 and are expecting at close of June 30, 2011 a greater loss. ARC understands that all entities are hit hard by the economy including Wabash County Government. Hoffman extended her appreciation to the Commissioners for the yearly contribution from Wabash County. ARC is respectfully requesting that the county continue with the yearly contribution of \$56,500. Commissioners will take under advisement as they prepare the 2012 budgets.
2. Stated there are several programs that assist residents in Wabash County:
 - a. Sheltered Workshop served 72 Wabash County Citizens
 - b. Community Based Shelter Work involved 6-8 people on any given day performing sub-contract work at a local industry with ARC staff supervision
 - c. Community Employment Program assisted 19 people in obtaining jobs in the community
 - d. Community Integration Program served 41 adults

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- e. Respite Services provided for two (2) individuals
 - f. Supported Living Residential Program served eleven (11) adults with developmental disabilities with 24 hour care. Hoffman stated most of these individuals work with ARC in the daytime hours. Hoffman stated they recently assisted three (3) young men move into an assisted living facility; providing needed home supplies and providing them each with a job through ARC. Hoffman stated this program provides freedom, self esteem, a sense of accomplishment, socialization, pride and the ability to grow as an individual. This is what ARC is all about.
 - g. Other Services provided: Transportation for 48 people, recreational leisure programs for 78 individuals and Case Coordination for 78 citizens.
3. Stated the sub-contract base increased by 23 new customers in 2011. Bakehorn assisted Givens in assembling a back flow valve for Ford Meter Box with his eyes closed and Hauptert a wiring part for Dexter Axle out of Albion to show how individuals with disabilities can accomplish specified tasks with assistance and the opportunity that ARC provides.
 4. Commissioners extended their appreciation to all of ARC for their contribution to individuals in Wabash County.

Eppley stated an air conditioning unit failed at the jail last week. Eppley stated Wohlford Heating and Refrigeration was contacted along with two (2) other vendors for a new unit to be replaced but the two (2) other vendors could not obtain the unit needed in a timely manner. Eppley stated cost will be less than \$5,000 and has an upgrade from a four (4) ton to a five (5) ton capacity. Hauptert made a motion to approve Wohlford Heating and Refrigeration to replace the air conditioning unit at the jail not to exceed a total expense of \$5,000; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed by a 3-0 vote. Eppley stated he would like to have a review of all other units at the jail as they are all original. Sheriff Land stated this need was noted in the yearly report.

Auditor Ridgeway presented a Workstation Analysis and preliminary estimate from Intrasect Technologies for the replacement of specific courthouse computers and monitors including licensing and software. Darren Bates of Data Pit Stop and Tom Polk of Intrasect Technologies have provided their recommendations regarding the type of computers and monitors needed; these are being reviewed by all appropriate departments. Polk has stated that the wiring, internet service and e-mail systems need to be addressed as well but are not included in this estimate. Ridgeway stated there is \$20,000 in the CCD Fund specifically for computers, there are hours on our contract with Intrasect that could go toward the cost of installation and a few of the departments also have separate funds available to help cover these costs. Tom Polk was unable to attend the meeting but would like to meet with Commissioners later to review options and costs. Commissioners will take under advisement.

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Commissioners worked with Auditor Ridgeway on their 2012 Budgets.

Steve Jones, Matthew Lee and Jon Clodfelter of United Consulting presented:

1. Supplemental Agreement No. 1 amending the Engineering Agreement from December 22, 2008 regarding additional work on the rehabilitation of historical County Bridge No. 645 on South Mill Street over the Eel River; North Manchester Covered Bridge. There were five (5) separate additional items:
 - a. Level -1 Design Exceptions
 - b. Engineering for Historic Coordination
 - c. Additional Design
 - d. Acquisition of Temporary Right-of-Way
 - e. Archaeological Investigation

The original cost of the project was \$121,000. The supplemental agreement increases the project by \$59,300 to a total cost of \$180,300. Wabash County's portion of the \$59,000 is 20%; a total cost increase of \$11,860. Eppley made a motion to approve the supplemental agreement; his motion was seconded by Hauptert and passed by a 2-0 vote. Commissioner Givens excused himself from the meeting.

2. Wabash County Bridge Inventory Report Phase I – 2010 which is now available on-line.
3. Jones stated there are two (2) more calls for projects this fall and he is confident construction overage will cover additional costs.

The Wabash County Convention and Visitors Bureau submitted a letter informing Commissioners that Becki Wagoner has submitted her resignation from the WCCVB Commission. The WCCVB recommended Commissioners appoint Wade Weaver to complete Wagoner's term through December 31, 2012. Eppley made a motion to appoint Wade Weaver to the WCCVB Commission for the remainder of Wagoner's term; his motion was seconded by Hauptert and passed by a 2-0 vote.

Reminders:

Wednesday, June 15, 2011: Drainage Board Public Hearing –Grossnickle Drain Reconstruction 7:00 P.M. North Manchester Public Safety Building at 709 Main Street

Friday, June 17, 2011: Wabash County Surplus Property Auction – 4:00 P.M. Wabash County Highway Department at 800 Manchester Avenue

No other business, the meeting recessed. The Commissioners will meet on Wednesday, June 20, 2011 in the EOC room on the lower level of the Wabash County Courthouse starting at 9:00 A.M.

*Approved as written – June 20, 2011