

APRIL 10, 2006

The Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on April 10, 2006 at 9:00 A.M. President Brian Hauptert called the meeting to order with all members present: Les Templin, Darle Dawes, and Brian Hauptert. Minutes for the April 4th meeting were approved as written on a motion made by Templin, seconded by Hauptert and approved with a 3-0 vote.

Larry Rice, Highway Superintendent, reported the following items:

1. Rice presented a copy of a proposed Alcohol and Drug testing policy for the Commissioners and Tom Mattern, Commissioners Attorney, to review. The proposed policy is based on the CDL license requirements. And, if/when approved, the proposed policy would become part of the personnel policy for the Highway Department. Rice will bring a revised copy, if necessary, for the Commissioners signatures.
2. Rice also presented an agreement to sell a truck and plow to the City of Wabash for \$5000.00. The Commissioners would like to discuss the price with the City officials. Templin made a motion to proceed with discussion. It was seconded by Dawes and approved with a 3-0 vote.
3. Rice stated that Wabash County Highway Department's new trucks are at Logansport now and will soon be delivered to W.A. Jones. The trucks should be customized and completed within the next 30 days.
4. Bridge 87 will be closed for another week. This is due to a problem with bad concrete on the decking.
5. Several Railroad crossings at State Road 15 will be under construction possibly into the summer. The Railroad, Bridge, and the Old State Road 15 Phase II Construction crews have coordinated efforts to insure Emergency Vehicles; Ambulance, Fire Trucks; have a mapped out route giving them access to needed roads around the construction. Property Owners in the area were also informed of needed travel routes.
6. The Major Moves Program, by Governor Mitch Daniels, was set to allot \$1,086,000. over a 3 year period to the Wabash County Highway Department. Instead, it was changed to receiving \$489,000.00 a year for the next 2 year period. According to Rice's calculations, this is approximately \$106,000.00 less funds for the Highway Department projects than had been expected.

Wabash County Sheriff Leroy Striker reported:

1. An average daily population of 83 in Wabash County Jail this past week.
2. Marion County donated a low mileage vehicle for the reserve fleet. The vehicle was officially on the road this past weekend. Striker stated it had already been used on a long range transit and is in good working order. Striker stated he is not looking to increase his fleet by adding new cars.

He is trying to keep the existing fleet in good repair and network with other County Sheriff Departments to exchange current high mileage vehicles with lower mileage vehicles.

3. Sheriff Striker also noted that his department has a policy in place regarding high speed pursuits.

Bob Brown, EMA Director, informed Commissioners of an extra defibrillator Wabash County could acquire. Brown stated that one defibrillator is to be kept in the Wabash County Courthouse, 8 people will be trained in proper use. Keith Walters, Local Public Health Coordinator, will help with the training.

Jane Ridgeway, Auditor of Wabash County, mentioned that the computer switch at the new IT room appears to be not as fast as the specs for the new computer hardware. She was told to check into having it changed.

The Board of Commissioners signed and approved the following:

1. Payroll Claims and Allowance Docket advertised for the period ending April 8, 2006.

The Board of Commissioners reviewed the following:

1. The need to be pursuant regarding re-writing the current contract for ambulance service for Wabash City and Wabash County. Templin spoke with 3 County Council members about a scheduled meeting with an attorney in Indianapolis concerning the Ambulance contract on Wednesday, April 12, 2006.
2. A Change of Ownership of a Confined Feeding Operation Form from IDEM granting Haupert Brothers, LLC transfer to new owners Dale & Haupert, LLC.
3. An update form from IDEM concerning Confined Feeding Operation Approval Renewal for Dale & Haupert, LLC.
4. An Approval letter for a FESOP Permit renewal from Office of Air Quality of IDEM for Ranger Materials Corporation, State Road 114, Disko Indiana.
5. A National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System application for Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation Program.

No other business, the meeting recessed. The next meeting will be Monday, April 17, 2006, in the former Circuit Court Room, second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse at 9:00 A.M.