

OCTOBER 23, 2006

Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, October 23, 2006 following the County Council meeting. Brian Hauptert called the meeting to order approximately at 10:50 AM with all members present: Brian Hauptert, Les Templin, and Darle Dawes. Templin moved to approve minutes from the October 16, 2006 meeting as written. It was seconded by Dawes and approved with a 3-0 vote.

Larry Rice, Highway Department Superintendent, reported the following items:

1. Brian Fredericks of United Consulting, informed Rice that Bridge 155 and 156 would not be given approval from INDOT until 2008 for repairs.
2. Rice received a letter from Joe Updike, NCIS, informing the County that their request for financial assistance to replace a culvert for \$21,000.00 was denied. NCIS does not assist Government entities. Rice stated he could leave it as is and monitor the culverts condition. But, it could cause hazardous road conditions and the cost of repairs at a later time would increase. Rice requested approval to ask the County Council for an Additional Appropriation for \$21,000.00 to repair the culvert. Templin moved to ask for an Additional Appropriation from the County Council at the December 4, 2006 meeting. It was seconded by Dawes and approved with a 3-0 vote.
3. Verizon had two (2) requests: 1) to bore under road 1050N and put in a 100ft cable for a new resident on St Rd 15; 2) On Baumbauer Rd, 1/8 of a mile east of 75E, Verizon to bore under Rd, bury 100ft of cable to a new resident at 874E.
4. 950S is to be paved this week.

Leroy Striker, Wabash County Sheriff, was absent from the meeting. Hauptert had received from Striker information on the consolidation of all Wabash County dispatchers. Commissioners will review the data and decide on how to proceed.

Tom Mattern, Commissioners Attorney, presented a Tort claim for the Commissioners to review.

LuAnn Layman, WC Treasurer, Cheri Slee, WC Surveyor, and Tim Lacey, Manatron representative, discussed the Tax Billing System contract with Commissioners. County Council had approved the request for \$150,000.00 for the new MVP Tax Program at the Council meeting earlier today. Templin motioned to take the contract under advisement. It was seconded by Dawes and approved with a 3-0 vote.

Bob Brown, EMA Director, reviewed a letter with Commissioners from Allen County Commissioner inviting them to a Home Land Security seminar on November 8, 2006 discussing how to handle the aftermath of a terrorist attack that may involve weapons of mass destruction. Brown also requested Commissioners write a purchase agreement for the Crystal Glass Company regarding work to be done at the Wabash County Courthouse. An HLS Grant is in the works for funding this work but, Crystal Glass states they need something in writing from Wabash County laying out the work to be performed and the amount of payment.

Toby Steffen, of Butler, Fairman & Seufert Civil Engineers, reviewed information on the Old 15 Project with Commissioners.

Commissioners reviewed the following items:

1. Payroll Claim and Allowance Docket for pay period ending October 21, 2006
2. An invitation to attend The Northeast Indiana Trails & Greenways Charrette on November 17, 2006
3. IDEM letter/denial of Solid Waste Land Disposal Facility for Ford Meter Box North Fork RWS III, Wabash County

Commissioners reviewed and approved:

1. Templin motioned to establish an ordinance for the Wabash County Public Defender Board. It was seconded by Dawes, approved with a 3-0 vote, and signed by Commissioners.
2. Templin motioned to approve the legal Holidays Schedule for the 2007 period as written. It was seconded by Dawes and approved with a 3-0 vote.

No other Business, the meeting recessed. Commissioners will meet again on Monday, October 30, 2006 at 9:00 A.M. second floor of Wabash County Courthouse.