

MAY 24, 2010

Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, May 24, 2010. Chairman Barry J. Eppley called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. with all members present: Eppley, Brian K. Hauptert and Scott E. Givens. The proceedings of the meeting were recorded by Auditor Jane Ridgeway. The minutes of the May 17, 2010 meeting were reviewed. Hauptert made a motion to approve as written; his motion was seconded by Givens and passed with a 3-0 vote.

Phil Amones, County Highway Superintendent:

1. Presented a request from Century Link to bury cable at 9567 N 700 W for residential service. Commissioners reviewed and approved request.
2. Presented the Highway Department's 2010 Annual Report. Commissioners reviewed, approved and signed report.

Leroy Striker, Wabash County Sheriff: was not present and submitted no report.

Bob Brown, EMA Director:

1. Discussed the Crossroads' agreement. County Attorney Steve Downs stated he is working on a certificate of insurance that will be completed this week.
2. Stated he has received an invoice for the radio equipment. Downs stated we are required to sign an acceptance certificate once the equipment is up and running but payment should be withheld until the equipment is tested and we are satisfied with the installation and equipment is operating within acceptable parameters.
3. Stated he has a meeting with Mayor Vanlandingham and the City Clerk Treasurer to review the inner local agreement for the new Central Dispatch. Brown requested that the Commissioners review numbers on the agreement and also invited them to attend the meeting.
4. The consoles are scheduled to arrive on June 11th. This is ahead of schedule and will give additional time for installation.

Steve Downs, County Attorney: was present with nothing to report.

Jim Dils, County Coordinator:

1. Stated the Probation Office had an emergency situation with a leaking water heater. Dils stated on Friday, May 14st he was able to find and purchase an identical unit. This kept the cost low due to the fact that the plumbing did not need to be altered. The purchase cost was \$218.40. It was installed by Maintenance Supervisor Dick Smith. Commissioners unanimously approved.
2. Contacted Givens and Hauptert last week to inform them that D&C Construction had requested an additional \$1,000 for extra tuck pointing on the west façade project. Givens and Hauptert gave their approval.

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Dils stated D&C will begin to remove the windows on Wednesday, May 26th.

3. Stated a heating cooling unit which serves several areas in the courthouse basement, and a portion of the Assessor's office, has several leaks in the coils. Dils obtained a quote for replacement of the coils from Quality Electric totaling \$2,830. Dils stated similar coils have been replaced in similar units and there have been no problems since. Dils stated the cost of replacement is up 2.7% from last year. Hauptert made a motion to approve replacement of the coils by Quality Electric for a total of \$2,830; his motion was seconded by Givens and passed by a 3-0 vote.
4. Stated that Robert Bucher of Perry Corporation and Jon Gillespie, accounts payable deputy have now met individually with most department heads to review the print document study. Bucher requested a follow-up meeting with the Commissioners on June 7th. Commissioners unanimously agreed.
5. Stated the Judicial Center has a leak in a main water line. To complete repairs Quality Electric will need to turn off the water in the building for several hours on Friday morning.
6. Stated Nate Cole from Region III-A requested a public hearing be held on June 1st at 11:00 A.M. regarding the job creation retention agreement with Novae for CEDF funds.

Teresa Witkoske, Purdue Extension Office, requested a vacant part-time secretarial position be filled in the Extension office. This is a twenty-one (21) hour position that was recently shared by two employees. The one who worked eleven (11) hours resigned effective May 6, 2010. Witkoske stated she would like to fill that eleven (11) hour position with a current part-time county employee looking to add extra hours or hire someone for a twenty-one (21) hour position and discontinue the job share option. Witkoske stated the salary is set at \$9.18 per hour. Hauptert made a motion to approve request to replace a part-time position for eleven (11) hours with a current employee or hire a new employee into a twenty-one (21) hour position; his motion was seconded by Givens and passed by a 3-0 vote.

Lori Draper, Clerk of the Courts, introduced John Miller and Ryan McCoart of Miller Furniture who presented a new proposal for the carpet replacement at the Judicial Center. Miller stated a prior proposal presented in January was approved. McCoart stated they have since found a new process for carpet installation by Freelay Products LLC which uses a polymer system. This process has been used with great success on similar projects. McCoart stated the company does not guarantee this process due to so many variables but, this is believed to be the best option for the floor covering problem at the Judicial Center. If this process fails, the carpet can be salvaged. McCoart stated the work will be done over the weekend; doing small portions at a time. Draper stated the carpet was not originally installed by Miller Furniture, but

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Miller has done a great job researching to find the best solutions. The proposal, approved in January, was for \$16,269. The new proposal totals \$23,588.76. Ridgeway stated \$20,000 was appropriated for the project and the Clerk would pay the remainder out of Clerk's IV-D Fund. Hauptert made a motion to approve the new proposal with Miller Furniture totaling \$23,588.76 - \$20,000 to be paid from the CCD Fund and any additional to be covered by the Clerk's IV-D Fund; his motion

was seconded by Givens and passed by a 3-0 vote. Miller stated the backing compatibility of existing replacement carpet needs to be approved by Freelay. Ridgeway asked if the carpet being removed could be reused in other rooms in the courthouse. Miller stated they are going to remove the carpet carefully so they can try to reuse it. Ridgeway stated she would give room measurements to Draper.

At 9:45 A.M., Eppley called the Public Hearing for the Laketon Regional Sewer District to order. Robert Murphy, grant writer from R.P. Murphy, stated the grant application is to look at solutions to the current sewer problems in Laketon. Murphy stated since Laketon is an unincorporated town, the Commissioners have agreed to be the applicant. Stan Bagley, a member of the Laketon steering committee, stated Sandy Beach homes in the Laketon area were established in the 1950's as part-time residences but many of the homes are now occupied on a full-time basis. There is not enough in the absorption field to handle the full-time capacity and it is getting to the saturation point. Septic systems are failing and raw sewage is running across peoples' lawns and into the river. The only opposition he has heard expressed is due to the cost of the project. Corky Cordes, owner of Bluebird Inn in Laketon, stated he would like to see a different approach considered: the use of a series of bio-filters that would clarify and clean the water before going into the river. Mike Novak, Rural Community Assistance Program, stated the planning grant will allow for all options to be considered. Laketon resident Ann Lee Benedict stated she would like this project to move forward. She is paying \$175 per month to have her septic system cleaned out. Bill Parke agreed something needs to be done or there will be no community in Laketon. Eppley closed the public hearing at 9:55 A.M. Murphy presented and read proposed Resolution 2010-85-07 authorizing the submittal of the CDBG planning grant application to the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs and addressing related matters. Attorney Steve Downs presented a revised copy of the resolution. Hauptert made a motion to approve the resolution submitting the CDBG planning grant application; his motion was seconded by Givens and passed by a 3-0 vote. Murphy stated he plans to have the application submitted by Friday, May 28th. Murphy presented a list of items he needs from the county in order to finalize the application. Ridgeway stated she would send the information to Murphy as soon as possible. Downs stated the grant application is not fully completed. Eppley requested Murphy complete the application and submit it to the Commissioners for their signatures. Murphy agreed. Those in attendance for

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the public hearing were: Bob Murphy, Stan Bagley, Michael Novac, Betsy Blasser, Ken Jones, Kenneth K Kreider, Corby Cordes, Terri Caughell, Ann Lee Benedict and Bill Parke. If any names are spelled incorrectly, we apologize.

Auditor Jane Ridgeway:

1. Presented an internal transfer request within the Wabash County CEDIT Fund totaling \$3,000; transferring \$1,500 from the North Manchester TIF District and \$1,500 from the LaFontaine TIF District to the Laketon Regional Sewer District Fund. The funds are for the local matching (10%) funds for the Community Development Block Grant for \$30,000 earmarked for planning. Haupert made a motion to approve the transfer request totaling \$3,000; his motion was seconded by Givens and passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Presented the Annual Report of the Board of Commissioners – Congressional School Funds. Ridgeway presented a statement acknowledgement form verifying that the school funds were transferred to the State and the county no longer holds these funds. Commissioners reviewed and signed.
3. Presented a Notice of Public Hearing pertaining to the Cinergy MetroNet set to be held at 11:00 A.M. on June 2nd in the Wabash City Council Chambers.
4. Presented the State of Indiana Green Jobs Survey Request. Ridgeway stated at this time there are no qualifying positions (renewable energy jobs) funded by Wabash County. Commissioners unanimously agreed.
5. Stated Manatron has sent a letter requesting payment for a past due invoice for the Phase I Certification process; \$6,349 for Assessor's office Pro-Val and \$5,000 for MVP tax certification in the Auditor's Office. Manatron stated they are ready to install Phase II of the Certification process but will not do so until the invoice is paid. Ridgeway stated when this invoice was first submitted, it was thought that the services provided fell under the current agreement. Ridgeway stated she will be attending the Auditors' Conference this week in Fort Wayne and will look into what other counties are doing in regard to this amount due. Ridgeway stated she will also know more about the next steps for the Phase II portion of the State required certification testing.

Beverly Ferry, Council on Aging:

1. Presented a contract invoice voucher for INDOT totaling \$11,563.97. This is a request for the release of funds from INDOT to allow payment to Intrasect Technologies for hardware for the Wabash County Transit Dispatching. Commissioners reviewed, approved and signed the contract voucher.
2. Introduced Brittany Betz, a student at North Manchester College, who will be working as an intern during the summer months.

The Commissioners reviewed and approved the following items:

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Weights and Measures Monthly Report – as of May 15, 2010 Joe Vogel
Wabash County Tourism Commission – Minutes of April 19, 2010
IDEM: CFO Approval/Renewal/MMP – Bill Urschel Farm ID# 4417
IDEM: CFO Approval Renewal/MMP – Rod Merrick Farm ID# 4303
IDEM: CFO Approval Renewal/MMP – Dennis Briner Farm ID# 3378
IDEM: CFO Approval Renewal/MMP – Jim Krom Farm ID# 689
IDEM: CFO Approval Renewal/MMP – David Grant Farm ID# 1287
IDEM: CFO Approval Renewal/MMP – Betty Treska Farm ID# 1864
IDEM: CFO Approval Renewal/MMP – Kyle Merrick Farm ID# 979
IDEM: CFO Approval Renewal/MMP – Ted Little Farm ID# 6128
IDEM: CFO Approval Renewal/MMP – Rex Perlich Farm ID# 1525
IDEM: CFO Approval Renewal/MMP – Virgil Ozenbaugh Farm ID# 1528
IDEM: CFO Approval Renewal/MMP – Troy / Aaron Dyson Farm ID# 1856
IDEM: CFO Approval Renewal/MMP – George Eric Fleck Farm ID# 2302
IDEM: NPDES CAFO General Permit Program – Dave Dale – Farm ID# 972
IDEM: CFO Permitting Update – Dave Dale – Farms ID# 1099 & 4015
IDEM: Notice of Decision – Approval – Manchester Metals, LLC

No other business, the meeting recessed; the Commissioners will meet in regular session on Tuesday, June 1, 2010 (due to the Memorial Day Holiday) in the Commissioners' Meeting Room on the second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse at 9:00 A.M.

*Approved as written on June 1, 2010