

JULY 6, 2010

Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Tuesday, July 6, 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 June 28, 2010 meeting were reviewed. Givens moved to approve the minutes with the removal of one sentence regarding Regions Insurance; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed with a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Supervisor, was present with no report.

Bob Brown, EMA Director:

1. Stated EMA worked over fifty (50) hours during the 4th of July weekend in Roann, Wabash and North Manchester.
2. Requested permission to go before the County Council for approval of an application for a District III Training and Exercise Grant totaling \$80,000. The grant will be used to train a district task force consisting of individuals in eleven (11) counties in District III as well as minor equipment purchases. Brown is currently waiting for a sub-grant agreement from the State with final parameters for the grant. Wabash County would be the fiscal agent for the grant and could receive up to 3% of the grant amount. Hauptert made a motion to approve presenting a request to Council to apply for the District III Training and Exercise Grant totaling \$80,000 with Wabash County as fiscal agent; his motion was seconded by Givens and passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. Requested permission to present to the Wabash County Council a cash transfer of \$5,000 from the E-911 Fund to the General Fund. Brown and an Additional Appropriation for Central Dispatch totaling \$5,000 for training part-time employees at Central Dispatch. Hauptert made a motion to approve Brown presenting the Transfer Request to the Council as requested; his motion was seconded by Givens and passed by a 3-0 vote.
4. Requested permission to submit two invoices to Crossroads Bank for payment to: 1) Wabash Electric – Intrasect Technologies for computers and software for Central Dispatch for a total of \$49,265.49 and 2) Watson Furniture for Central Dispatch consoles for a total of \$39,472.26. Givens made a motion to approve the two (2) invoices to Crossroads Bank for Wabash Electric – Intrasect Technologies totaling \$49,265.49 and Watson Furniture totaling \$39,472.26 for Central Dispatch; his motion was seconded by Hauptert and passed by a 3-0 vote.

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Steve Downs, County Attorney:

1. Stated the Sheriff's Sale for the One Stop Auto Repair will be held on August 5th. A Phase II analysis was done on the property in 2004. Downs stated he is in the process of obtaining a copy. The property is sold as is. Downs asked if Commissioners would like to order an updated Phase II analysis. Givens stated the tanks have been updated. Commissioners requested Downs continue to investigate the clean-up concerns and possible costs. Commissioners also discussed payment options and cost limits.
2. Stated there has been a claim filed for sheep killed by dogs on May 28th in Paw Paw Township. Ridgeway stated there are questions on the time of submission and the classification/cost of the livestock. Ridgeway stated since dog tags are no longer collected, this type of claim is no longer submitted to the Township Trustee; they are addressed by the Commissioners. Downs stated he will review the Indiana Statutes for clarification on how to proceed with this claim.

Jim Dils, County Coordinator, stated the Health Department contacted him on June 28th informing him that they have been awarded a \$10,000 grant. They are requesting Dils obtain quotes on a trailer and hitch. The grant deadline is August 9th. This would need to go before the Council at their meeting on July 26th. Brown stated with the time constraint it will be difficult to complete the process and that the Health Department has had this grant since at least April. Commissioners stated the Health Department had plenty of time to submit this request in a timely manner and did not. Commissioners unanimously agreed to deny this request.

Auditor Jane Ridgeway:

1. Presented the Claims and Allowance Docket for 7-06-10. There was a claim submitted from the Sheriff's Department from the actuarial firm McCready and Keene totaling \$4,612. A portion of this claim, \$3,072, is for the base annual actuarial fee. Ridgeway stated it could be paid from the Wabash County Police Pension Fund. The remainder of the claim totaling \$1,540 is for the amendment to the pension plan that was tabled by the Wabash County Council on June 28th. Hauptert made a motion to pay the base actuarial fee for the maintenance of the pension plan for a total of \$3,072 and to withhold the payment of the amendment portion totaling \$1,540 until further action is taken by the Council; his motion was seconded by Givens and passed by a 3-0 vote. Hauptert made a motion to approve the remainder of the Claims and Allowance Docket for July 6, 2010; his motion was seconded by Givens and passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Stated OCRA (Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs) has requested an additional \$200 for the local match portion of the DCBG Planning Grant for the Laketon Sewer Project. The original

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- amount was set for \$3,000. Givens made a motion to modify the grant application from \$3,000 to \$3,200 (Resolution 2010-85-11); his motion was seconded by Hauptert and passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. Discussed the Phase II Software Certification Proposal. Originally \$7,500 was appropriated for the certification process. The Auditor's Association considered the idea of a Consortium but felt it was best to allow individual companies to complete this certification process. Other counties with similar financial and tax systems have used Chris Broughton & Associates of Seymour, Indiana and have been very pleased with their work. Chris Broughton & Associates drafted a proposal for the certification process for Wabash County totaling \$6,000. Ridgeway, Assessor Kelly Schenkel and Treasurer Sharon Shaw would like permission to procure this company to complete the certification. Hauptert made a motion to approve contracting with Chris Broughton & Associates for the Phase II Software Certification for a total of \$6,000; his motion was seconded by Givens and passed 3-0.

Robert Bucher of Perry Corporation presented a follow-up on the printer/copier analysis. Bucher, Commissioners and six (6) department heads discussed payment options, optional toner agreements, lease vs. purchase agreements, current lease buy-outs/lease expirations and tracking accuracy of total county savings. Bucher requested a mass approval to allow submission of current numbers that Commissioners have previously reviewed to the individual departments. Commissioners concluded they would like a consensus of the department heads to move forward on an agreement with Perry Corporation. Commissioners gave unanimous approval for Bucher to contact department heads to discuss possible plan options.

The Commissioners reviewed and approved the following items:

Letter from Lt. Governor Becky Skillman: Community Focus Fund Planning Grant –

Sanitary Sewer Plan in the Laketon Area

Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission – Agenda for June 14th – Minutes of May 12th

INDOT – notice of Authorization for Preliminary Engineering Services

IDEM – Notice of Decision: Approval – Aleris Recycling, Inc

IDEM – Notice of Decision: Approval – CFO no planned construction/modification and change of ownership – Dean White

Notice of Public Hearing before the Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Wabash:

111 West Market Street

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No other business, the meeting recessed. The Commissioners will meet in regular session on Monday, July 12, 2010 in the Commissioners' Meeting Room on the second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse at 9:00 A.M.