

FEBRUARY 5, 2007

Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, February 5, 2007. Chairman Lester D. Templin called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. with all members present: Lester D. Templin, Brian K. Hauptert and Scott E. Givens. Hauptert made a motion to approve minutes as written for the January 29, 2007 meeting. It was seconded by Givens and approved with a 3-0 vote.

Leroy Striker, Wabash County Sheriff, reported:

1. An average daily population last week in the jail of 90.38. Today the population is 89 inmates-5 scheduled for transfer to DOC.
2. State Jail Inspector will be coming February 8th or 9th, 2007.
3. State Fire Marshall will be at Jail today.
4. There is a vehicle out of commission. Striker stated they are looking to trade it in rather than use in the reserved pool cars; these are unassigned cars used by the officers when needed.
5. As of March 1, 2007, the Jail facility will be completely tobacco free, smoke and smokeless tobacco. This includes no smoking in front of the Jail. Dan Gray, representing the Tobacco Coalition, is looking to find grants to offset the revenue lost from smokeless tobacco sales at the Jail. Gray has also stated that possibly in the future the Coalition might help provide some type of assistance for the inmates who are trying to kick the tobacco habit.
6. Striker submitted a quote from Two Brothers for generator service. Striker and Bob Brown, EMA Director, are working together on quotes for servicing the four generators.

Bob Brown, EMA Director, requested to go before the County Council for an Additional Appropriation totaling \$1,500.00 to help with the updating of the EMA fleet. Hauptert made a motion to approve request. It was seconded by Givens and approved with a 3-0 vote.

Commissioners Attorney Tom Mattern has reviewed a rough draft of the Issues regarding a Central Dispatch and return it for Commissioners to review.

Larry Rice, Highway Department Supervisor, gave an update on the current weather conditions. Rice also informed that the Highway worked both Saturday and Sunday to keep the county's roads clear. Rice stated they had received several "Thank you" calls in regards to the weekend work. Currently two (2) of the Highway trucks are down. Lastly, Rice reminded Commissioners of reservations to the Purdue Road School to be held March 6, 7, and 8, 2007.

Lynn Dannacher, County Health Food Sanitation, presented an updated Ordinance (2007-85-1) Regulating Food Establishments and B&B's written by Health Board Attorney Larry Thrush. Mattern stated he had reviewed the updated Ordinance and was most confident in the revised rules and changes required by State as written by Attorney Thrush. Hauptert moved to adopt Ordinance 2007-85-1 as presented. It was seconded by Givens and approved with a 3-0 vote.

Kelly Schenkel, County Assessor, gave Commissioners the Contract for 2007 Trending Program from Independent Certified Appraiser, William P. Schultz. Commissioners reviewed and approved the Contract. It will now be sent to the State for approval. Schenkel also reported the mobile home assessments are done and F11 notices have been sent to residents/owners.

H.L. Skip Daughtry and Carrie Rees, of Beauchamp & McSpadden, spoke with Commissioners about Health Insurance options they have available. Commissioners are reviewing other policies and recommended to Daughtry and Rees to check back when all options could be reviewed.

Commissioners approved a revised Direct Deposit Authorization form for all employees. Also, based on the Indiana Statue of Home Rule, IC-36-1-3, and as the Executive Body of Wabash County Government Hauptert made a motion to require the direct Deposit to be Mandatory for all employees as a cost savings to the county. It was seconded by Givens and approved with a 3-0 vote.

Commissioners reviewed the following items:

1. Commissioner Givens filed a Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement.
2. A Letter from Jeffrey Pyle, Wabash County Health Board President, introducing new employee as of January 1, 2007 at the Health Department, Lynn Ellis. Ellis' position is Office Assistant to Vital Records, Environmental Food, and Environmental Health.
3. Indiana Board of Tax Review Final Determination
4. Invoice from Crystal Glass for D-T Construction—Window Replacement.
5. City of Wabash: Order to Remove Unsafe Building—889 Cottage Ave.
6. IDEM—Notification of Application Receipts: Midwest Poultry Services
 - (a) Automated Egg Producers, (b) Sunnyside Farms, (c) Hi-Grade Egg Producers
7. IDEM—Extension of Response Deadline for Wabash Alloys RWS1
8. Letter from The Valuation Advisory Group, Inc. introducing their company and services available.
9. Mediacom--Notice of Rate/Price Adjustments
10. Certificate of Liability Insurance

Commissioners reviewed and approved the following items:

1. Custodian, D. Smith's hours for period ending February 3, 2007.

2. Accounts Payable Claim and Allowance Docket as advertised for payment.
3. An Employee Flu Shot Letter to go out to Wabash County Health Plan Participants regarding reimbursements on flu shots

No other Business, the meeting recessed. Commissioners will meet again on Monday, February 12, 2007 on the second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse.