

APRIL 9, 2007

Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, April 9, 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 the Monday, April 02, 2007 minutes with one change request by Larry Rice, Highway Superintendent; 400N to 400W. It was seconded by Templin and approved with a 2-0 vote.

Larry Rice, Highway Department Superintendent, reported on his review of the situation with the Jody Lundquist and Paul King properties from the April 2, 2007 meeting. Rice stated the problem could be addressed by using a tile to fix the water drainage problem. Rice stated this would need to be referred to the Drainage Board. Commissioners will take no action at this time. Rice also presented a request from Verizon to bury cable to replace an existing service on 1100N 3/8 of a mile east of 700W.

Bob Brown, EMA Director, informed Commissioners of an Insurance inquiry from Beauchamp & McSpadden he will check on it further.

Leroy Striker, Wabash County Sheriff;

1. Reported an Average Daily Population last week in County Jail of 89.76.
2. Returned a copy of the signed Two Brothers Generator Agreement to Auditor Jane Ridgeway.
3. Informed Commissioners the Sheriffs Department had received both new vehicles from Southworth Ford and the new vehicles will be in place this week.
4. Stated that Ryan Chambers will be attending Law Enforcement Academy this week.
5. Striker also informed Commissioners of an order for a motorcycle from Brandt's Harley Davidson here in Wabash. The motorcycle is specifically for Civil Process only. The Cost for the new motorcycle will be covered by the Commissary Funds. Officer Ron Nordman will be taking training for the cycle.

Tom Mattern, Commissioners Attorney, discussed the release of easements concerning the Wal-Mart property. Mattern suggested waiting on any approval until a later date.

Dallas Duggan, Chief Probation Officer, presented estimates for carpet cleaning and sanitization from G&C Carpet Cleaning and Stanley Steamer for services for the Probation office. Hauptert made a motion to approve the lower estimate of G&C Carpet as presented for \$125.00. It was seconded by Givens and approved with a 3-0 vote.

Mary Ellen Rudisil and Jeff Kumfer, Searce-Rudisil Architects discussed with Commissioners:

1. A proposed Change Order on the Courthouse Roof Project; products to be used and the contract with Atlas Building. No Action was taken at this time.
2. Possible dates for the roof project to re-start. Addressing the issue of not interfering with parking during Property Tax Collections due on May 10, 2007.
3. Addressing the overhang, the replacement of windows on second floor of Courthouse due to deteriorated glass, exterior doors, cornices and bell tower. The plan is to receive bids for these projects at the end of May or early June.
4. A proposal, submitted on December 11, 2006, to address the Fascia repairs, exterior of the Courthouse, and to acquire 3 (three) estimates needed for interior ceiling and wall repair damage. Hauptert made a motion to accept the proposal. It was seconded by Givens and approved with a 3-0 vote.

Bill Konyha, of Economic Development Group of Wabash County, presented a Letter of Understanding from Poet, formerly known as Broin, between Wabash County and North Manchester Ethanol, LLC. The letter is regarding the TIF District Redevelopment Board and other requirements, terms, and conditions the two parties need to address with the proposed Ethanol plants. Konyha also presented a Job Description requirement form for the TIF District Redevelopment Board appointees. The TIF Board will represent any and all possible TIF Districts in the future for Wabash County. Commissioners will review both letters with Commissioners Attorney Tom Mattern.

Toby Steffan, Butler, Fairman & Seufert, presented to Commissioners a Change Order #3, for the Phase II Old State Road 15 project. It was determined by the engineers on the project as well as the soils department of INDOT that the original estimated 8 inch chemical modification was insufficient and would need to be increased to a 16 inch chemical modification. The estimated increased costs of this change would be approximately \$31,000.00. Of this estimated \$31,000.00, Wabash County would be responsible for 20%, \$6,200.00, and the State would cover the difference. Hauptert made a motion to approve Change Order #3 as presented. It was seconded by Givens, approved with a 3-0 vote, and signed by Chairman Templin. Rice stated he may need an additional appropriation for the proposed cost increase regarding Change Order #3.

Rice also reported a Pre-final inspection is to be done on this project on Thursday, April 12, 2007 at 9:00 A.M.

Commissioners are reviewing all applications received for the County Coordinator and the Highway Supervisory positions.

Commissioners reviewed the following items:

1. IDEM; receipt of Air Permit Application – North Manchester Ethanol
2. Notice from Wabash City with Intent to Demolish Building: 490 Ferry Street, Wabash, IN

Commissioners reviewed and approved the following items:

1. Payroll Claim and Allowance for Pay Period ending April 7, 2007
2. Letter for Advertisement; Notice to Bidders to be held no later than 11:00 A.M. April 23, 2007 for one (1) new mowing tractor with side mount mower for the Wabash County Highway Department.

No other Business, the meeting recessed. Commissioners will meet in regular session on Monday, April 16, 2007 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room on the second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse.