

OCTOBER 1, 2007

The Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Tuesday, October 1, 2007 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners: Meeting Room. President Les Templin called the meeting to order with all members present: Lester D. Templin, Brian K. Hauptert and Scott E. Givens. The minutes were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway. Minutes from the September 24, 2007 meeting were approved as written on a motion by Hauptert, seconded by Givens and a 3-0 vote.

Lori Draper, Clerk of the Courts, presented the following requests to the Board:

1. Due to problems with her system's back-up tapes, she needs to replace a tape back-up drive at an estimated cost of \$2672.00 Hauptert moved for her to proceed to the Council for additional funding for the purchase at their next regular meeting on October 22nd. Givens seconded the motion and it was approved by a 3-0 vote. Draper stated she would also approach the Council at their Special Session scheduled for October 10th for pre-approval as she needs to replace this as soon as possible even though the State does nightly back-up.

2. Draper asked the Commissioners if she could purchase four concrete parking curbs at a cost of \$15.00 each from a local vault company. The Board gave unanimous approval for the purchase.

3. She reminded the Commissioners of the condition of the carpeting in her offices. (Jim Dils has contacted a local carpet supplier to offer options.)

Phil Amones, Wabash County Highway Supervisor, reminded the Commissioners of a meeting at the Highway garage on October 16, 9:00 A.M. concerning the Ethanol Plant on 800N.

Wabash County Sheriff Leroy Striker reported an average daily population in the jail last week of 89.71 with 92 in jail this morning. He also mentioned that they have recently patched the roof at the jail as needed.

Commissioners Attorney Steve Downs was present and reviewed the county's insurance coverage and umbrella policy with a letter from Beauchamp and McSpadden. He suggested the County check on the amounts of coverage for Employee "Errors and Omissions". County Coordinator Jim Dils is going to follow-up on the coverage.

EMA Director Bob Brown and Sheriff Leroy Striker set a time to work with the Commissioners on the Weather Emergency Ordinance. It was decided to meet during the regular meeting next week at 10:00 A.M. Brown also mentioned he would be attending a Homeland Security Conference in Indianapolis next week on Thursday and Friday.

Jim Dils, County Coordinator/Human Resources, reported to the Board that Wells Fargo Bank has donated 20 file cabinets to the county and he is in the process of working with Dick Smith and jail trustees to clean, move and use them as need throughout the county offices.

Chief Probation Officer Dallas Duggan addressed the Board with the following concerns:

1. A quote to replace a computer and surge protector damaged by the electrical storm the third week of September. He could request to replace it with funds to be transferred from his Adult Probation User Fees Fund; however, the Board discussed damaged equipment from other offices and asked Duggan to turn the quote in to the Auditor's office for the filing of an insurance claim with Beauchamp and McSpadden insurance losses. The Board also gave their permission to proceed to the Council for the purchases.

2. In another matter, Duggan said that during the recent State Board of Accounts audit the Field Examiners suggest that his department set up a cash change fund of \$35.00 for the various fees that they collect. He asked permission of the Board to set up such a fund. Givens moved to approve the request and his motion was seconded by Hauptert. It was passed by a 3-0 vote.

Christa Stroup of the Wabash Circuit Court approached the Commissioners requesting permission to purchase scanning software for the copier they lease so that they can scan documents and forms. They have sufficient appropriations in the current budget but need approval to purchase. Givens moved to approve the purchase, seconded by Hauptert and passed on a 3-0 vote.

Wabash County Treasurer LuAnn Layman discussed with the Board and Commissioner's Attorney Steve Downs the presentations for collections of delinquent personal property taxes from last week's meeting. Following discussion, the Board confirmed Layman's suggestion to contract with Kris Williams of American Financial Credit Services, Inc. by approving the contract on a motion by Givens, second by Hauptert and a 3-0 vote. The Board asked Layman to have Attorney Downs to review the contract prior to signing. Layman also discussed obtaining a list of services for checking accounts in order to receive comparable quotes from the area banks and asked permission to attend the AIC Conference in Indianapolis on Tuesday, October 2nd at a registration fee of \$75.00 and hotel accommodations and mileage to stay overnight the night before. The Board had no objection.

Ware Wimberley was pre sent to introduce himself as the new director of the Wabash Public Library.

Bill Konyha, President and CEO of EDG presented an Application for Volume Cap to the Board of Commissioners authorizing POET to apply for \$23,289,807 in Solid Waste Bonds from the Indiana Finance Authority. This will be at no

cost or liability for the County. Konyha also reported construction crews are at the LaFontaine site this morning and plan to start this fall when crops are out of the fields. In other matters, the Commissioners discussed with Konyha a federal grant offered by Purdue through WIRED to place an e-Bin Enterprise computer and printer in the Courthouse as a business entrepreneur resource.

Mary Ellen Rudisel and Jeff Kumfer of Scarce-Rudisel Architects reviewed the Courthouse Cornice Project and suggested options to reinforce roof supports that are damaged. It was suggested that the County replace half of them this year and half next year. On a related matter, Hauptert moved to give Chairman Templin permission to approve a Change Order of \$1,120.00 to replace a portion of seven cornice pieces. His motion was seconded by Givens and passed on a 3-0 vote.

Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway reminded the Commissioners that the Health Board will hold its quarterly meeting on October 23 and is still waiting on an appointment to fill a vacancy since January 2007. Hauptert said he would follow up and try to fill the position.

Ridgeway also presented the Board of Commissioners with the State of Indiana Legal Holiday Schedule for 2008. The Board reviewed the list and Givens moved to adopt the same for Wabash County. His motion was seconded by Hauptert and approved by a 3-0 vote.

The Board approved the Accounts Payable Claim and Allowance Docket as advertised for payment on October 1 with one adjustment for per diem.

Also reviewed were the following:

DataPitStop Inc: Auditor Quote for BMV Excise/Watercraft Data Match

Scarce Rudisel Architects – Invoices for services

Computer Maintenance Contract Worksheet – 2007 – 2008 Projected

Custodian D. Smith hours for period ended September 29, 2007

IDEM Notice of Decision: Approval - Manchester Metals, LLC

IDEM Renewal Notice – NPDES CAFO - Sand Hill Pork, Inc

IDEM Renewal Notice – NPDES CAFO – Maple Leaf Farms, Inc Elite Farm

IDEM Renewal Notice – NPDES CAFO – Kroft Maple Leaf Farms, Inc.

IDEM Renewal Notice – NPDES CAFO – Wendel Dawes

IDEM Renewal Notice – NPDES CAFO – Dale Farms, Inc.

IDEM Notice for Public Comment: Renewal – Gaunt & Son Asphalt

No other Business, the meeting recessed; the next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 9, 2007 due to the Columbus Day Holiday. The Board will meet in the Commissioners meeting room at the Wabash County Courthouse at 9:00 A.M.