

OCTOBER 15, 2007

The Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, October 15, 2007 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Meeting Room. President Templin called the meeting to order with all members present: Lester D. Templin, Brian K. Haupert and Scott E. Givens. The minutes were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway. Minutes from the October 9, 2007 meeting were approved as written on a motion by Haupert, seconded by Givens and a 3-0 vote.

Phil Amones, Wabash County Highway Supervisor, presented the Commissioners a Request to Bury Cable from Verizon to bore under 300W 35' to the east to bury 560' south to a new home at 6828 N. 300W. The Commissioners approved the request on Amones recommendation. The Board also reviewed the Temporary Ordinance to restrict commercial trucks from some county roads during the construction phase of the POET ethanol plant in the interest of public safety as prepared by Attorney Steve Downs. Following discussion Givens moved to adopt the Ordinance, Haupert seconded the motion and it was approved and signed following a 3-0 vote. In another matter, Amones informed the Commissioners of a 78" pipe on 200E that needs to be replaced. He estimated the cost of the pipe at \$145 per foot. The replacement work will have to be contracted and Amones was given permission to get cost estimates.

Wabash County Sheriff Leroy Striker reported 93 in the jail today.

Health Department Nurses Jane Skeans and Lori Foust brought a revision of their plans to purchase a commercial refrigerator to store vaccines. The Commissioners had previously approved the purchase at \$4140. They proposed to instead purchase a dorm size refrigerator for food and then use the current refrigerator for vaccines. They would still need to purchase an alarm system for the unit but would save around \$1000. The Board gave their approval for the change and asked them to bring back definite quotes including the phone line hook-up. The Nurses also discussed the flu shot clinic on Saturday October 20th and the department's new status as a Medicare Provider.

County Coordinator Jim Dils discussed gathering employee emergency contact information and reminded the Board of the rally to be held on the Courthouse lawn tomorrow for Domestic Violence Awareness.

Beverly Ferry, Wabash County Council on Aging Director, presented her department's third quarter reports, discussed her goals and local grant in-kind contributions and stated the new van purchase.

Thomas Polk of WE Information Technologies discussed renewal and options concerning IT Consulting Service Agreements for the coming year. He gave a review of the past year's network services and charges. Following discussion the Board decided to go with a renewal of the current Assure-It Service Agreement.

Clerk of the Courts Lori Draper requested and received permission to attend the State Election Conference to be held in Indianapolis this December along with one deputy and Mary Brane of the local Election Board.

Jennifer Swango, Wabash County Environmental Specialist, reported to the Board prices for paint, dehumidifiers and air filters she has recommended for the moisture problem in the Health Department offices. Following discussion, the Commissioners approved 3-0 a motion by Hauptert, seconded by Givens to purchase paint with a stain repellent and sealer additive in paint. Concerning dehumidifiers and air filters the Board authorized Dils to proceed with the purchases.

Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway presented the Accounts Payable Claims and Allowance Docket as advertised for payment today. The Commissioners approved the claims as presented including a separate docket for property and liability insurance renewals. Ridgeway also discussed the following with the Board:

1. The State's Major Moves MVH Distribution received electronically today totaling \$485,636.10.
2. A GIS Training conference with Schneider, Inc. on October 23 in Indianapolis. She requested and received permission to attend along with her part time deputy Rachel Guenin.
3. The Additional Appropriation requests submitted to the County Council for the estimated costs to prepare print and mail the nearly 10,000 Property Tax Refund checks for Homestead Properties as mandated by the State Legislature by year end.
4. A reminder of the State Board of Accounts Fall Auditor's Conference at the end of October.
5. The 2008 Wabash County Holiday Schedule as approved at last weeks meeting.

Also reviewed by the Commissioners were the following:

Quality Electric Claim for Invoice #10791 – Draft inducer and controls for the Courthouse heating and cooling system.

Claim submitted by EDG for the second half of the appropriated 2007 CEDIT funds.

Scottsdale Indemnity Company letter: Stambaugh claim

No other Business, the meeting recessed. The next meeting will be held Monday, October 22, 2007 following the Wabash County Council meeting in the Commissioners meeting room at 8:00 A.M.