

## OCTOBER 22, 2007

The Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, October 22, 2007 following the County Council meeting at 8:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Meeting Room. President Templin called the meeting to order at 11:40 A.M. 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 15, 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, reported the following to the Commissioners:

1. He has received estimates for the pipe replacement on 200E.
2. As to the 800 N Project: the Board unanimously approved Steve Jones as a full-time Construction Engineer and directed Amones to get land values for the project from Planning Director Mike Howard.
3. The Ferry Street Bridge project is progressing.

Wabash County Sheriff Leroy Striker reported 104 in the jail today.

EMA Director Bob Brown discussed a bill received from Quality Electric for electrical work done in 2006. The Commissioners approved the filing of the claim to for \$3705 to be paid from the Cumulative Capital Development Fund on a motion by Givens, second by Haupert and a 3-0 vote.

County Coordinator Jim Dils relayed a request for permission from the United Fund to place a sign on the Courthouse lawn during their fund raising campaign. The Commissioners unanimously approved the request. Dils also reported to the Board it had been discovered Andrea Kumler did not meet all the qualifications to serve on the Wabash County Health Board so they need to appoint another candidate. Concerning Courthouse repair projects: a.) he has received some quotes for the installation of the bell isolators and b.) the plasterer is on site and starting the ceiling repair work.

County Assessor Kelly Schenkel informed the Board that she had made a mistake in her Cum Reappraisal Budgets for 2007 and also 2008. She discovered that the Trending Assessment Contract will be \$25,000 each year instead of \$20,000 and she will need to request Transfers or Additional Appropriations to cover this expense. Thus, she will not have the extra funds she had reported to the Council earlier today to help pay for the Change Orders on the GIS Contract.

The Commissioners discussed the payment of the two Change Orders totaling \$8,490 and decided by a 3-0 vote following a motion by Haupert and second by

Givens to Request an Additional Appropriation from the Wabash County CEDIT funds rather than the Cumulative Capital Development Fund. They also decided to request \$20,000 in Appropriations from the CEDIT funds for the start-up expenses of the two new TIF District projects that will be reimbursed by Bond funds: \$10,000 for the POET Ethanol Plant Project in North Manchester and \$10,000 for the Wabash Agri-business Ethanol Plant Project in LaFontaine.

Wabash County Health Department Nurses Jane Skeans and Lori Foust discussed the County Employee flu shots with the Commissioners as they had received complaints about employees having to turn in a claim on their insurance. The Board asked Dils to double-check with our Group Insurance company on how Flu Shot claims would be handled.

In other business, the Commissioners discussed reservations and registrations to be turned in for the County Commissioners Conference to be held at the end of November in Indianapolis. Phil Amones will handle the reservations.

County Auditor Jane Ridgeway presented the Payroll Claims & Allowance for Pay Period ended October 20, 2007 and Custodian D. Smith's hours for Pay Period ended October 13, 2007 for their approval.

Also reviewed by the Commissioners were the following:

Clerk's Monthly Report for September 30, 2007

Auditor's Funds Reconciliation as of September 30, 2007

County Treasurer's Monthly Report as of September 30, 2007

Weights and Measures October 15<sup>th</sup> Monthly Report by Director Joe Vogel

Indiana Board of Tax Review – Notice of Hearing: Meadowbrook North

Apts.

IDEM: Notice of Public Comment – Duke Energy Indiana

IDEM: CAFO Approval Renewal – Dale Farms, Inc. #3975

IDEM: CAFO Approval Renewal – Mr. Beauchamp c/o Ken Dale # 2640

IDEM: CAFO Approval Renewal – Paul R. Smith # 572

Scottsdale Indemnity Company: Tort Claim – J. Stambaugh

Wabash County Tourism Minutes from Sept 17, 2007

No other Business, the meeting recessed. The next meeting will be held Monday, November 5, 2007 following the Wabash County Council meeting in the Commissioners meeting room at 8:00 A.M.