

## **JANUARY 7, 2008**

Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session following the Wabash County Council meeting at 8:00 A.M. on Monday, January 7, 2008. Chairman Scott Givens called the meeting to order with all members present: Les Templin, Brian Hauptert and Scott Givens. Auditor Jane Ridgeway recorded the minutes of the meeting.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the January 2, 2008 meeting. Templin noted the EMA area door that was approved would be paid from the Cumulative Capital Development Fund and the EMA budget would cover any additional locksmith costs. Hauptert moved to approve the minutes as amended. His motion was seconded by Templin and approved by a 3-0 vote.

Highway Superintendent Phil Amones was present but had nothing to report today. He confirmed to the Commissioners that he is planning to re-submit the Richvalley Bridge for funding to INDOT's Local Bridge "Call for Projects" this year.

Wabash County Sheriff Leroy Striker reported an average daily inmate population this week of 95.16.

EMA Director Bob Brown also was present with no official report.

County Coordinator Jim Dils and County Attorney Steve Downs reminded the Commissioners of the 11:00 Executive Session called today to discuss personnel matters.

Clerk of the Courts Lori Draper reported quotes she has received for the new PC needed in her office are \$4808 with software and for the switch a range of \$849 to \$3281 depending on speed. Following review and discussion Templin made a motion to approve \$3281 from the CCD Fund for the faster switch and the remainder of the purchase will come from the Clerk's Incentive Fund. Hauptert seconded the motion and it was approved by a 3-0 vote.

Beverly Ferry, Executive Director of the Wabash Council on Aging presented the 2008 operation contracts for new fiscal grant. She commented that transport rates within the city will be the same while rates for transports in the county will be raised from \$2.00 to \$3.00 effective February 4, 2008. Ferry also reported that 31,000 transit rides were given in 2007 which was a 23% increase over 2005 and about a 9% increase over 2006. Following review, the Commissioners approved and signed the contracts.

The Board appointed Richard Beamer to serve as an alternate to Michael Beauchamp on the Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission following a motion by Hauptert, seconded by Templin and a 3-0 vote.

Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway presented the Accounts Payable Claims and Allowance Docket as advertised for payment today. The Commissioners approved the claims with one adjustment for per diem rates. She also presented the State Certification of Covered Bridges which the Board signed.

The Commissioners also reviewed the following:

1. IDEM: Federally Enforceable State Operating Permit Renewal for Specialty Hardwoods of Wabash
2. Prosecutor's Victim Assistance Expenditures for the Quarter ended 12/31/07
3. Certificate of Insurance: United Consulting
4. Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission Agenda for January 9, 2008 and review of Minutes of November 14, 2007 meeting

No other business, the Board recessed. The next regular meeting will be on January 14, 2008 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Meeting Room on the second floor of the courthouse.

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### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in a called Executive Session at 11:00 A.M. on January 7, 2008 to discuss personnel issues. Present were all Board members: Scott Givens, Lester D. Templin, and Brian Hauptert along with County Attorney Steve Downs, County Coordinator/Human Resources Director Jim Dils, Highway Superintendent Phil Amones and County Auditor Jane Ridgeway. Discussion was held of Personnel Policy issues and concerns.