

MARCH 3, 2008

Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, March 3, 2008. Chairman Scott Givens called the meeting to order with all members present: Lester D. Templin, Brian K. Hauptert, and Scott E. Givens. Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway recorded the minutes of the meeting. The minutes from the February 25, 2008 meeting were reviewed. Hauptert made a motion to approve them as written; seconded by Templin and approved 3-0.

Phil Amones, Wabash County Highway Department Superintendent, reported:

1. United Consulting, Inc. prepared 800N Project plans and Notice to Bidders was reviewed. Bids are to be accepted on March 31, 2008. The Plans and Notice to Bidders was approved and signed by the Commissioners.
2. The Bridge #645 INDOT contract signed last week is outdated – the state will revise and send a new contract.
3. Highway Department has taken delivery of their new pick-up truck and plow. Templin made a motion to approve payment to Dorais Chevrolet. It was seconded by Hauptert and approved with a 3-0 vote.
4. Highway has loaned the replaced truck to EMA. The Commissioners discussed transferring funds from EMA or County General to Highway to permanently transfer the truck to EMA. They will look into a plan and price for this exchange.

Todd Samuelson of Umbaugh and Steve Downs Wabash County Attorney reviewed the Poet TIF District information presented by Auditor Jane Ridgeway which she had obtained from ICE Miller. Samuelson and Downs were asked to review the information with Ridgeway.

Bob Brown, Wabash County EMA Director reported:

1. Brown presented the CodeRED Weather Warning Service Addendum. Activation cost for the 2008 year service agreement would total \$6,664.; cost would total \$7,500. for the 2009 year Service Agreement. Commissioners reviewed the Addendum. It was signed by Givens.
2. Brown reviewed Grant information he will seek to obtain for the 2008 year.
3. Brown reminded the Commissioners of information he had gathered for signage for the courthouse. It would direct people to certain offices for normal use and in case of any emergency; the signage could provide clear, precise directions.

Steve Downs, County Attorney, reviewed the Trending and Construction Contracts from William P. Schultz presented by County Assessor Kelly Schenkel with the Commissioners. They asked Downs to prepare a letter to

Schultz concerning the deadlines for completion of the assessment data. They will take the contracts under advisement until Downs communicates with Schultz for a revision or letter of understanding.

Jim Dils County Coordinator stated there would be a Jail Committee meeting on Thursday, March 6, 2008. Dils also informed Commissioners that Circuit Court Judge McCallen requested a phone be installed in the Circuit courtroom. This would allow an interpreter to be used via the phone line. Commissioners asked Dils to discuss this with Superior Court Judge Goff to see if he would need a phone line as well and to contact Verizon for availability on our system and costs.

Rachelle Owens, Rural Community Assistance Program, was present to follow up after meeting with the County Council last week. Owens presented an updated draft of the petition to establish a Regional Sewer District in Laketon. Owens requested assistance from the County totaling \$5,000.00 to fund the engineering report. She stated the County Council felt there was a need to slow down and go through the preliminary engineering report. This report could help define the actual parameters of the project. Templin made a motion to approve the request to go before the County Council for an Additional Appropriation from Wabash County CEDIT Funds to cover the cost of the engineering report. It was seconded by Hauptert and approved with a 3-0 vote. Owens requested that she receive a copy of the Council minutes from February 25, 2008 and the Commissioner minutes from March 3, 2008 when approved. Auditor Jane Ridgeway stated she would be sure to get those to Owens.

Commissioners reviewed the following items:

1. IDEM: Renewal Notice – CAFO – R.B.F. LLC – Farm #6002
2. IDEM: Renewal Notice – CAFO – R.B.F. LLC- FARM #6081
3. IDEM: Renewal Notice – CAFO – LAZY “E”, LLC – Farm #6056
4. IDEM: Renewal Notice – CAFO – LAZY “E”, LLC – Farm #6080
5. IDEM: NPDES Permit – Terra Nova Dairy, LLC
6. INDOT: Info sought for Indiana Historic Bridge Inventory
7. Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission Minutes – January 9, 2008

Commissioners also reviewed and approved the Accounts Payable Claims and Allowance Docket as advertised for payment – March 3, 2008 with no exceptions.

No other Business, the meeting recessed. Commissioners will meet in regular session on Monday, March 10, 2008 at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioner’s Meeting Room on the second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
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Commissioners reconvened to meet in Executive Session on March 3, 2008 at 11:00 A.M to discuss Health Insurance renewal options. Wabash County Commissioners, Jim Dils County Coordinator, Auditor Jane Ridgeway and two representatives from Strategic Health Plans met to discuss Employee Group Health Insurance Renewal options.