

MARCH 24, 2008

Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, March 24, 2008 following the County Council meeting at 8:00 A.M. Chairman Scott Givens 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. The minutes of the March 17, 2008 meeting were reviewed. Templin moved to approve the minutes as written. It was seconded by Hauptert and approved by a 3-0 vote.

Phil Amones, Wabash County Highway Department Superintendent, requested the Commissioner's signatures on the Truck Bids Notice – as determined: bids will be received sealed at or before eleven (11:00) a.m. local time on Monday, April 21st, 2008 for Two (2) Complete Single Axle Dump Trucks – two (2) copies of each bid must be submitted.

Bob Brown Wabash County EMA Director informed the Commissioners of a Grant EMA will receive for the CERT Program totaling \$3,436.00. Brown and Commissioners also discussed the transfer of a used pick-up truck from the Highway Department to EMA.

Wabash County Sheriff Leroy Striker reported an average daily jail population for the week beginning 3/17/08 and ending 03/23/08 of 94. Striker also submitted a report regarding the status of employees.

County Attorney Steve Downs reviewed the changes submitted for the Assessors' Contracts with William Schultz for Treading and New Construction and the Commissioners signed the amended agreements.

Jim Dils, County Coordinator, reported the dumb-waiter in the judicial center had been repaired. Dils also stated they are finalizing Employee Group Health Insurance Renewal updates/changes. Dils stated there was a 40% reduction on Life Insurance Quotes.

Eldon Yohe of Yohe Realty presented information on a current listing at 1025 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, the former Millers East* Nursing Home. It is 3.5 Acres with a listing price of \$399,000.00. Yohe stated he is not asking for action but noted he wondered if the County could use this for the Community Corrections program or another need.

Steve Jones, United Consulting, gave an update on the CR 800N Project. Jones also presented a Summary of Professional Services fees with Amendments; totaling \$228,200.00 – not including on-site construction inspections. Commissioners unanimously approved the Summary of fees and amendments as presented.

Commissioners reviewed the following items:

1. IDEM Insignificant Modification Proposal – Wabash Valley Landfill
2. IDEM Change of Ownership – CAFO – Shane Dale, Bear Grass Livestock
3. Wabash County Tourism Commission Minutes of February 18, 2008
4. Shark Shredding – ARC services available
5. General Preservation Corporation – company’s qualifications
6. The Wabash City Transport EDO claim/ Sheriff Striker – under advisement.

Commissioners reviewed and approved:

1. Payroll Claims and Allowance Docket for Pay Period ended – March 22, 2008
2. Weights and Measures Report – 3-15-08
3. County Road 800N Right-of-way Purchase Claims
4. AE Boyce Forms/Systems – invoice to process Homestead Rebate checks for \$6,187.69 after being reviewed and approved by Council
5. Revisited the claim from Health Department for Postage. Resended the denial from the March 17, 2008 meeting and approved resubmitted request with more information - totaling \$1,526.40.
6. Economic Development Group first half of 2008 CEDIT fund totaling \$25,000.00
7. A three (3) percent hourly increase for two (2) part time Animal Wardens that will be retroactive to January 1, 2008.
8. Commissioners approved Thomas Pinson as Council appointee to ABC. Commissioners had approved Gary D. Wood earlier to Alcohol and Beverage Board. This year the two gentlemen will switch positions.

No other Business, the meeting recessed. Commissioners will next meet in regular session on Monday, March 31, 2008 in the Commissioner’s Meeting Room on the second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse at 9:00 A.M.

*Amended with approval 3-31-08.