

JUNE 2, 2008

Due to scheduling problems there would be no quorum for a Commissioners' meeting on Monday, June 2nd so the regular weekly meeting was scheduled and advertised for Tuesday, June 3, 2008 at 9:00 A.M.

Wabash County Commissioner Lester Templin, Auditor Jane Ridgeway, County Coordinator Jim Dils, and Highway Superintendent Phil Amones met on Monday, June 2, 2008 at 11:00 A.M. for two items:

- 1) Templin gave his permission and pre-approval for the June 4th Payroll so that Direct Deposit deadlines could be met;
- 2) Proposals for the Resurfacing of Town Streets for the Highway department had been previously advertised to be received at 11:00 A.M. Commissioner Templin received the quotes informally at the deadline; - three (3) bids were received:

Phend & Brown, Inc.
367 East 1250 North
Milford, IN 46542

E & B Paving Inc.
875 North Broadway
Huntington, IN 46750

Gaunt & Son Asphalt, Inc.
5511 West Old 24
Wabash, IN 46992

It was announced that the proposals would be opened and reviewed at the June 03, 2008 meeting.

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Wabash County Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Tuesday June 3, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. as advertised. Vice Chairman Brian Hauptert called the meeting to order with two (2) members present: Lester D. Templin and Brian K. Hauptert. Chairman Scott E. Givens was on vacation. Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway recorded the proceedings of the meeting. The minutes from the May 27, 2008 meeting were reviewed. Templin made a motion to approve as written. His motion was seconded by Hauptert and approved with a 2-0 vote.

Phil Amones, Wabash County Highway Superintendent, reported a request to bury from Embarq at CR 300N approximately 525 feet west of CR 100E for Nustar at 897E 300N.

Leroy Striker, Wabash County Sheriff, reported an average daily population of 112.14 last week.

Jim Dils, Wabash County Coordinator, reported:

1. Concerning the copier for the 2nd floor of Courthouse – The current copier, Canon IRS10S 21PPM has an annual maintenance fee of \$1,353.00 an average of \$112.75 per month with up to 60,000 copies annually –plus \$15.00 per month for toner with overages of one (1) cent per copy. The Imaginistics IM3512 with a 60 month lease and a maintenance agreement on annual basis based on 5,000 copies per month with an overage of one

(1) cent per copy would be \$144.00 per month. The Extension Office would cover \$25.00 per month and the difference would be \$119.00. Templin made a motion to approve the IM3512 - 60 month lease. It was seconded by Haupert and passed 2-0.

2. The County Property Auction will be held June 27, 2008 at 4:00 P.M. A memo will be sent to department heads concerning listing unused equipment and property. Dils stated Commissioners Custodian Dick Smith had stored items in old jail including 60 old voting machines. Commissioners stated there was no market for re-sale and to contact Steve Johnson at Wabash County Solid Waste about recycling the machines.
3. The heating and cooling system has caused problems at the Health Department. A pipe broke and spilled fluid all over their new carpeting and destroyed a microfiche scanner and copier. Quality Electric has agreed to cover the cost of all damages. Dils stated he will present a full damage estimate to Commissioners at next Monday's meeting.

Bob Brown, Wabash County Emergency Management Director, reviewed some of the damages from the storms and tornados on Friday June 6. Brown stated EMA had put in approximately 120 volunteer man hours on Friday and Saturday. Brown had spent Saturday morning with a representative from the National Weather Service reviewing the damages. Brown stated Homeland Security wants an estimate on damage in Wabash County.

Lori Draper, Clerk of the Courts, reported:

1. The Clerk's Spring Conference in Southern Indiana. Draper will be the only one attending. The cost is \$200.00 for registration plus lodging. This is a called State Meeting.
2. Draper reported that the State is raising the mileage from .40 cents to .44 cents starting July 1, 2008. Draper wanted to be sure Wabash County addresses the change. Draper stated the county currently pays only .36 cents per mile. Auditor Jane Ridgeway stated she had already placed this item on the agenda for the County Council meeting coming up on June 23, 2008 for their consideration.
3. June 16, 2008 at 8:00 a.m. Draper stated there will be a meeting for the local Wabash County Commission of Public Records. Scott Givens as Chairman will be the Commissioners representative.
4. Concerning Cost of Election Precinct Meals: Draper stated she currently pays \$13.00 per person for meals for election workers. This amount is not covering the costs from the restaurants. Draper would like to increase the amount for the November elections. Templin stated County Employees are allowed up to \$26.00 per day at schooling, or conferences. The election workers are like temporary employees and should have a similar allowance. Draper stated she would like to raise it up to \$20.00 per day. Draper stated she could transfer funds from the machine/equipment repair fund to cover the costs in November. Draper stated her machines are not in need of repair and she does not see a need for the money in that

capacity. Commissioners stated this budget change should be reviewed for the following year. Templin made a motion to approve the transfer of funds to the machine/equipment repair fund to cover election meals up to \$20.00 per person. Hauptert seconded the motion and it passed with a 2-0 vote.

Steve Downs, Wabash County Attorney, presented the AT&T easement agreement that they had reviewed last week and Downs revised. Hauptert signed the revised agreement as Vice Chairman.

Renee Biehl and Connie Smith of the Urbana Streetlight Committee came before the Commissioners requesting assistance to help keep the lights in Urbana working. Urbana residents, businesses and churches have regularly given to assist with the light bill which is higher due to climbing costs and "a lot of little taxes." The bill runs nearly \$2,000.00 per month. Biehl stated they have enough for June this year but not July or August. Commissioners stated since Urbana is unincorporated it falls in with seven or eight other towns in Wabash County that are unable to receive grant assistance. Commissioners suggested they could 1)possibly create a homeowner's association; 2)contact Urbana Lions Club to sponsor an event; 3)create a fundraiser during the annual Urbana Festival to help raise funds to cover the light cost.

Templin made a motion to close bids for the Town Street Restoration Project as of 11:00 a.m. on *June 2, 2008*. It was seconded by Hauptert and passed with a 2-0 vote. Three bids were received, opened and recorded as follows:

Phend & Brown, Inc	\$46.70/ Ton – Servia
367 E 1250 N, P O Box 150	<u>\$52.00/Ton</u> – Somerset
Milford, IN 46542	\$244,862.50

E & B Paving, Inc.	No per ton price Servia \$73,258.00
875 North Broadway	\$49.50 /Ton –Somerset <u>\$165,825.00</u>
Huntington, IN 46750	\$239,083.00

Gaunt & Son Asphalt, Inc.	\$44.00/Ton - Servia
5511 West Old 24	<u>\$47.75/Ton</u> - Somerset
Wabash, IN 46992	\$233,533.25

Templin made a motion to take all bids under advisement. It was seconded by Hauptert and approved with a 2-0 vote.

Commissioners drafted a letter to the Wabash County License Branch to show authenticity of Highway Superintendent Phil Amones to register vehicles in the name of Wabash County. The letter was signed by Vice Chairman Hauptert.

Auditor Jane Ridgeway informed Commissioners of two reported concerns at the judicial building; 1) the carpet wrinkling issue in the Clerk's Office, according to John Miller of Miller Furniture, is possibly a floor surface problem. Miller stated the air is extremely dry and the floor is not level. The cement may need to be tested; 2) Christa Stroup stated the pew cushions and carpet are wearing in the Circuit Court room and asked Commissioners to look into repair is needed.

Commissioners reviewed the following items:

1. United Consulting Invoice #7 – Bridge #505 Project No. BRO-9985
2. IDEM Hybrid Bio-solids Land Application Permit – City of Huntington
3. Letter from DNR to review National Flood Insurance Plan

Commissioners reviewed and approved the following items:

1. Payroll Claims and Allowance Docket for Pay Period ended May 31, 2008
2. Accounts Payable Claim and Allowance Docket as advertised for June 3, 2008
3. Election Claims and Allowance Docket as advertised for June 3, 2008

No other business, the meeting recessed. Commissioners will meet in regular session on Monday, June 9, 2008 in the Commissioner's Meeting Room on the second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse.

Approved as written; June 9, 2008.