

February 20, 2001

Commissioner Chairman, Lester Templin, called the meeting to order with all members present. Minutes of the 2/12 meeting were approved with the correction of the change order amount for M & W Contractors to \$18,614.33, moved by Brian Hauptert, second by Les, and passed. Commissioners reviewed and signed the Payroll Claim & Allowance Docket and the Payroll Check Register and reviewed the Weights and Measures monthly report. They took under advisement an appointment to the Wabash City Plan Commission due to the resignation of Phil Hapner. The appointee must be a democrat living outside the city limits, but within the city jurisdictional limits.

Larry Rice, Co. Highway Dept.: At 9:00 A.M., Brian moved to close the bids for the highway truck, second by Darle Dawes, and passed. (1) Wabash Valley Chrysler bid \$22,734. for a 2001 Dodge Ram 4x,4 plus \$4500. for a plow, installed. (2) Eriks Chevrolet, Kokomo bid \$25,000. for a 2001 GMC 2500 HD 4x4, plus \$3990. for a western plow, \$4105. for a boss 8'2" plow or \$4280. for a 9'2" boss plow, plus \$110. for a joystick and \$236. for a deflector. (3) Meyer Motors bid \$25,071 for a 2001 GMC 2500 H.D. 4x4, plus plows at \$4000. for a western, \$4350 for an 8'2" boss and \$4750. for a 9'2" boss, along with \$115. for a joystick and \$250. for a deflector. (4) Denney Motors bid \$24,450. for a 2001 GMC 2500 H.D. 4x4, plus \$3997 for an 8.5 ft. western plow or \$ \$4451. for an 8'2" boss plow, installed. Attorney, Tom Mattern said all bids were bonded and the paperwork in order, so Brian moved to take the bids under advisement for review, second by Darle, and passed. Larry says he's signing an agreement for reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA) in the amount of \$14,000. for extreme weather related work on December 19th and 20th, the worst two days in December for his crews. Larry suggested Commissioners talk with Senator Wheeler about a recent charge of \$2300. for clearing debris under the Market St. bridge in North Manchester. Since the Dept. of Natural Resources doesn't do the work, or allow workers in the water, clearing must be done with special equipment and is expensive. Just before Commissioners adjourned for the day, Larry returned with a truck bid comparison sheet and reports the lowest bid from Wabash Valley Chrysler bid exceeds specifications. After review, Darle moved to accept the bid of \$27,234. from Wabash Valley Chrysler for a truck and plow, second by Brian, and passed.

Judicial building project: At 10:00 A.M. Darle moved to close the bids for the judicial building, second by Brian, and passed. Two bids were received for asphalt/paving pkg. P, no bids for flooring pkg. N, and painting pkg. M has already been awarded. (1) Phend & Brown, Milford, bid \$12,556. plus \$1400. to fill trenches dug for power and HVAC and \$7404. for a new 1 1/4 " hot mix surface over entire lot. (2) Gaunt & Son Asphalt bid \$9,500. plus \$820. for trench fill and \$9,220. for 1 1/4" hot mix surface. Darle moved to take the bids under advisement, second by Brian, and passed. The Phend & Brown representative says replacing the pavement entirely, rather than an overlay, would be worth the additional initial cost, in longevity. Commissioners read a notice from Prince/Alexander requesting mediation and arbitration in respect to their termination. Attorney Tom Mattern thinks P/A is offering the opportunity to resolve issues between the parties without arbitration, but urged the county and contractors to keep a paper and photo record of current progress and problems with the project, as of today, the official contract termination day. P/A stripped the job site trailer and Cinergy cut power to the trailer on 2/16. Brian had 3 proposals to take on the project management job. RQAW suggests keeping P/A as the architect and pay RQAW hourly rates to assess the project status and set a fee for their services. PSMI proposed \$96,000. for the management portion, plus extra for design. Pyramid proposed \$86,000. for a construction completion of 7/23/01 with a project completion by 08/31. Pyramid president, Terry Burnworth, is familiar with the project, and the project HVAC architect works for Pyramid. Following the Drainage Board meeting, Commissioners met with Terry Burnworth, who presented a management services agreement for review. The contract includes a clause listing items that belong to the county, and have been paid for, a clause for hourly architectural services if needed, and exhibits A,B & C that include a 2/01 revised schedule, a list of provided services and a hold harmless policy. Terry figures 6-6 1/2 months to complete HVAC work. Brian estimates there's about \$96,000. left in the account for architectural and management services, and moved to select Pyramid to provide management services until the project is completed, at a base cost of \$86,000., pending contract review and approval by Mr. Mattern, second by Darle, and passed. Terry then presented a revised pay application for February totaling \$85,085.50, that includes Change Order # 1 for M & W Construction at \$13,000. for the cooling tower pit excavation and Change Order # 1 for Kellam Contract-ors of \$4,173. for retention curbs. Darle moved to approve the revised pay schedule plus the 2 change orders, second by Brian and passed. With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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Lester D. Templin, Chairman

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Darle V. Dawes

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Brian K. Hauptert

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Carol Stefanatos, Auditor