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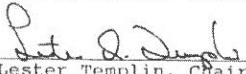
Chairman, Les Templin, called the meeting to order in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse, with all members present. Minutes of the 5/26 meeting were approved as written, motioned by Darle, second by Brian, and passed. Commissioners reviewed and signed the Accounts Payable Voucher Register, the Payroll Claim and Allowance Docket and the Payroll Check Register. Signed the contract with Mark Metzger for the County Surplus Auction on June 26th. Commissioner attorney, Tom Mattern, indicated it was a standard, simple form contract, only noting an exhibit of sale items wasn't attached as stated. Mr. Metzger doesn't have the sale items listing, yet. Reviewed the required, and IDEM approved closure/post closure plan for the Wabash Valley Landfill. Brian motioned to approve payment of the E-911 claim in the amount of \$2,360.82, second by Darle, and passed. It's for storm damage repair to the south tower. Sheriff Roberts will check about insurance deductible amount. Learned there were 71 in jail this morning. Brian noted the Local Planning Council received a new \$50,000. grant to continue with the Welfare to Work program. Discussed how best to enforce the Animal Control Ordinance, as Les heard from Virginia Reahard that the judges weren't receptive to her going directly to them with her cases. After discussion, Darle motioned to have Mr. Mattern handle the current problem, and then have the Animal Control Board add funds for professional services to their "99" budget, second by Brian, the motion passed.

Commissioner attorney, Tom Mattern, gave Commissioners additional information on requirements for setting up a Public Purchasing Policy by July 1st as required by law. He has also sent information to the judges regarding HEA 1230, which allows the county to pass an ordinance requiring inmates convicted of a felony or misdemeanor to pay a part of their housing costs while incarcerated. Commissioners would establish a nonreverting county prisoner fund, and there are limitations on usage of the funds. Tom and Sheriff Roberts plan to meet with the judges.


Commissioners signed Ordinance 98-3, setting new weight limits on some county bridges.

Larry Rice, Highway dept.: Crews have one mile of the road recycling done on CR 500N, and they will start side ditching and berming in preparation for chip and seal work. Commissioners agree that Larry may stockpile dirt at the Co. Farm for future use. Les thanked Larry for berm work done on the courthouse parking lot to help divert water run off to a drain rather than eroding the grounds. Les thought it looked good. Larry hasn't been able to get an estimate for bridge # 32, as Hank Eilts is still hospitalized.

Brian noted the Building Study Committee will meet June 18th at 7:00 p.m. in the courthouse. Dean Illingworth of Schmidt & Associates, will update on their progress. With no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Lester Templin, Chairman


Darle Dawes


Brian Haupert

ATTEST: 
Carol Stefanatos, Auditor