

April 27, 1998

Chairman, Lester Templin, called the meeting to order in the courthouse with all members attending. Minutes of the 4/20 meeting were approved as written, motioned by Brian, second by Darle, and passed. Brian motioned to hire Advanced Window Cleaning of Fort Wayne to wash the windows, inside and out, at Memorial Hall (\$800.), Probation (\$275.) and the Courthouse (\$850.), second by Darle and passed. Auditor will set a date, and Commissioners noted air conditioners may need to be removed for cleaning, then replaced. Reviewed Memorial Hall/Jail custodian hours, and approved him working some holidays when the offices are closed, in exchange for other days off. Set the county Surplus Auction for July 10, 1998 at 4:00 p.m. at the County Highway garage.

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total miles
for chip and
seal to:
3.56 mi

Larry Rice, County Highway: The road cut for new tile on CR 1050 N west of St. Rd. 13 (Bill Earle property) is completed. There's quicksand in the area, and not a lot of fall, but Larry says if there are still problems, it's the property owners' responsibility. Larry had estimates from 3 companies for roof repairs on his building. Tyson & Son, \$27,000. for a rubber roof, Morris & Son d/b/a Lawmaster Brothers, \$19,955. for a fiber glass and felt roof and Keith Davenport, \$24,500. for a rubber roof with a 10 yr. warranty. Davenport also had an estimate of \$40,000. and a 25 yr. warranty, to alter to a pitched roof. Clark's in LaFontaine is too busy, and Warsaw Roofing has not responded. Larry will contact the parties again for estimates to re-coat the top section of the roof and alter sides to a steep pitch. Brian motioned to approve Larry's list of roads 4.96 miles to double chip and seal this summer, second by Darle and passed. The roads are: (1) CR 150 S from America Rd. to CR 500 E, (2) CR 500 E from 150 S to 250 S, (3) CR 650 W from 550 N to St. Rd. 16, (4) CR 650 W from 1000 N to the dead end, (5) CR 600 E from U.S. 24 to Schmalzried Rd. Durnbaugh Rd. from CR 325 E to Baumbauer Rd. will be done in the summer of 1999, and CR 900 N from 400 W to the dead end is on hold for now. Larry's department expects to do about 100 miles of chip and seal this summer, also. Larry has Maddox Corp. road recyclers scheduled for May 18th, and plans to have them do CR 500 N from Urbana to CR 300 W and CR 500 E from St. Rd. 114 to the county line. He'll test to make sure each road has sufficient material thickness for this process. Brian motioned to approve this work, after testing, second by Darle and passed. The process costs \$3,300 per mile, and covers about 6 miles. Larry is gathering ballpark estimates to do a 2 1/2 mile section of CR 175 E and CR 180 E (it jogs) from CR 900 N to Pony Creek Rd., the actual job would have to be bid. He looked at several water problem areas, and says all are property owner concerns. Responding to Leon Ridenour's question, Larry said the entire Odgen Road project will be under \$20,000. Larry hasn't gotten more estimates to set Bridge # 51 in Liberty Twp. He said it's hard to estimate without the engineering work which would be done by BCH if we buy the galvanized steel structure from them. Darle motioned to approve a change in a road cut petition by Mark Lyson, second by Brian, and passed. Originally set for CR 400 W just north of CR 900 N, it will now be 20' east of CR 400 W on CR 900N.

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Commissioners signed the IN Criminal Justice Institute grant application for Crime Victims Assistance funds for a part-time employee. Requested is a \$13,613.75 federal grant to augment a local match of \$3,300. for a total of \$16,913.75. The program would run from 7/1/98 to 6/30/99. Shelly Neal is the local coordinator.

Local match comes from INDIANA Victims Assistance Network (IVAN)
Scott Siders and Chester Lynn from Lagro, presented an estimate from Don Fleck's Trenching to remove the building, level the ground and clean up for seeding, the Ralph Lawson property in Lagro. The proposal, dated 4/22/98 is for \$1,000. Wabash Co. holds a certificate of title due to unpaid delinquent taxes. Since the building is considered dangerous, Darle motioned to proceed with necessary steps to demolish the building, second by Brian, and passed. The Auditor is to get title work completed so the property can be deeded to the county and the building razed.

County Attorney, Tom Mattern, noted June 8th at 10:30 a.m. has been set for final trial preparation if the Robert Schaefer suit goes to trial. Tom Ewing, the insurance company attorney will be here. If the summary judgement is granted by the judge, eliminating the county as a defendant, Mr. Ewing will contact the county. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Lester D. Templin
Lester Templin, Chairman

Darle Dawes
Darle Dawes

Brian Haupt
Brian Haupt

ATTEST: Carol Stefanatos
Carol Stefanatos, Auditor