

OCTOBER 15, 2012

Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, October 15, 2012. Chairman Brian K. Hauptert called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. with all members present: Hauptert, Scott E. Givens and Barry J. Eppley. The proceedings of the meeting were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway. The minutes of the October 9, 2012 meeting were reviewed. Eppley made a motion to approve the minutes as written; his motion was seconded by Givens and passed by a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent:

1. Presented two (2) quotes for a new pickup truck for the Highway Department:
 - a. Dorais Chevrolet 2013 Silverado WT 3500 HD \$25,658
 - b. Shepherd's Chevrolet 2013 Silverado WT 3500 HD \$28,144
Shepherd's Chevrolet 2013 Silverado LT 3500 HD \$29,165
 - c. Wabash Valley Chrysler (No quote submitted)Martin stated all quotes include trading in a 2001 Dodge Ram 2500 pickup truck. Martin recommended accepting the quote for Dorais. Martin also stated this is budgeted in the "Capital Outlay-Truck and Equipment" line of the Motor Vehicle Highway Budget. Givens made a motion to approve Martin's recommendation to accept the Dorais Chevrolet quote totaling \$25,658; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Presented a Plan Cover Sheet for Bridge #645 (the North Manchester Covered Bridge). Once approved by Commissioners, this project would move into the letting process and be put out for construction bids by INDOT; letting date is on track for February 2013. Givens made a motion to approve; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. Presented a utility permit request from Frontier Communications; request to bore under 800 E to run replacement line to 11600 N 800 E. Givens made a motion to approve request; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed by a 3-0 vote.
4. Presented two (2) Letters of Understanding from INDOT for an unofficial local detour of two (2) small structures to be replaced on State Road 13:
 - a. Between 700 N and 800 N over Bear Grass Creek. The detour would be east on 700 N to 100 E, north to 800 N and east to SR 13.
 - b. At the intersection of 1000 N over the open ditch, this would close the intersection at 1000 N for construction. The detour would be west on 950 N to 200 W, north to 1050 N and east to SR 13.Martin stated he does not have a time schedule for either detour. Eppley made a motion to approve both detours; his motion was seconded by Givens and passed by a 3-0 vote.

Wabash County Sheriff Bob Land stated as of this morning there are ninety-three (93) inmates in the Wabash County Jail; nineteen (19) inmates are housed at the Miami County Jail. The average daily jail population for the week ending 10/14/12 was 94.42.

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Bob Brown, EMA and Central Dispatch Director, stated last week the EMA Advisory Council met and passed the Wabash County Strategic Plan; a three (3) to five (5) year plan for emergency preparedness and disaster relief. This supports the Comprehensive Management Plan that will be submitted at a later date. Eppley made a motion to approve; his motion was seconded by Hauptert and passed by a 3-0 vote.

Mike Howard, Planning Director:

1. Presented an Additional Appropriation Request to go before Council totaling \$2,000. Howard stated approximately three (3) years ago, Wabash County entered a Data Share Agreement with the State of Indiana allowing our GIS data to be used on the Indiana Map. Howard stated a new agreement has been created and implemented for the next three (3) years. Part of that agreement is that the State will provide to Wabash County \$2,000 per year to assist with the cost to our GIS provider Schneider Corporation who assists with this data share. The funds for 2012 have been received from the State and need to be appropriated into the proper expense account. Givens made a motion to approve request; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Stated the Wabash County Circuit Court has issued a Judgment of Unsafe Premise permitting demolition of a house at 350 Harrison Street in Lagro. Givens made a motion to approve demolition; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed by a 3-0 vote.

Kathryn Carter-Lower and Lynn Ellis, Health Department staff, requested permission to purchase a document scanner. Ellis stated the current scanner is obsolete and needs a roller repair kit that would cost nearly as much as a new scanner. The new scanner would cost \$2,268.31 which will be paid from the Local Health Trust Fund. Givens made a motion to approve request; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed by a 3-0 vote.

Jim Dils, County Coordinator and Human Resources Director, stated the motor on the courthouse elevator was replaced last Thursday. During that repair a second issue was found; parts have been ordered and are tentatively scheduled to be installed later today or tomorrow.

Wabash County Auditor, Jane Ridgeway:

1. Presented the Accounts Payable Claims and Allowance Docket for 10/15/2012. Commissioners unanimously approved.
2. Stated the Commissioners' Property Tax Sale will be held tomorrow in the Commissioners' Room at 10:00 A.M.

Commissioners Reviewed:

Wightman Petrie letter - update on Laketon Area Regional Sewer District Project
Auditor's Monthly Financial Report for September 2012

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Treasurer's Monthly Report for September 2012

Public Defender Board Increase Contracted Public Defenders' fees from \$60 to \$70 for 2013

Access to Public Records Request – Dennis-Allen

Michael J. Aylesworth, Indiana Department of Environmental Management Regional Office Director and Julie Lang, Indiana State Deputy Attorney General, discussed pending case 85C01-1202-MI-153 regarding environmental concerns on the former Celotex site in Lagro owned by Dyson Brothers Property, LLC. Lou Studio, Robert Pefley, Tom Chrisman and Dennis-Allen asked questions and expressed concerns regarding the case. Aylesworth and Lang as well as Pefley stated this case is not for the Commissioners to oversee nor do they have any authority in this case. They stated that IDEM and the Attorney General's Office continue to investigate to pursue the truth regarding the safety and health of the environment and the residents of Wabash County.

No other business, the meeting recessed. The Commissioners will meet on Monday, October 22, 2012 in the meeting room on the second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse starting at 9:00 A.M.

*Approved as written – October 22, 2012