

NOVEMBER 5, 2012

Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, November 5, 2012. Chairman Brian K. Hauptert called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. with all members present: Hauptert, Barry J. Eppley and Scott E. Givens. The proceedings of the meeting were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway. The minutes of the October 29, 2012 meeting were reviewed. Givens made a motion to approve the minutes as written; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed by a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent, recommended accepting all bids for 2013 Highway Supplies and Materials and Construction Rental Equipment submitted by 10:00 A.M. on Monday, October 29, 2012. Givens made a motion to approve the recommendation; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed by a 3-0 vote.

Wabash County Sheriff Bob Land stated that this morning there are eighty (80) inmates in the Wabash County Jail; twenty (20) inmates are currently housed at the Miami County Jail. The average daily jail population for the week ending 11/4/12 was 80.28.

Bob Brown, EMA and Central Dispatch Director, stated that EMA will be on stand-by for the Clerk's office in case of a power outage on Election Day, Tuesday, November 6, 2012.

Cameron Lochner, Veterans' Service Officer presented two (2) different Additional Appropriation Request options to go before Council:

1. To purchase two (2) computers, a document scanner and new software for himself and Barb Dawes, VSO Assistant; not to exceed \$2,000
2. To purchase one (1) computer, a document scanner and new software for himself not to exceed \$1,000

Lochner stated the current computers are not adequate to operate the new software and spyware. Commissioners stated they can fund this amount from the Cumulative Capital Development Fund so there would be no Additional Appropriation Request. Commissioners asked Lochner to obtain an additional quote; Lochner agreed. Givens made a motion to take under advisement; his motion was seconded by Eppley and passed by a 3-0 vote.

Steve Downs, County Attorney, stated that the State of Indiana Public Access Counselor has provided written opinions stating the Commissioners were found not to be in violation of any State codes as alleged in recent complaints filed.

Jim Dils, County Coordinator and Human Resources Director:

1. Stated the excavation and drainage project around Memorial Hall began last week.
2. Stated carpeting in various Courthouse offices will be cleaned tomorrow as approved at last week's meeting. Dils will be on-site to provide access to those offices.

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3. Stated tomorrow he will lead a small group tour sponsored by the Convention and Visitors Bureau to the inside of the Courthouse dome.

Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway:

1. Presented the Payroll Claims and Allowance for Pay Period ended 10/27/12. Commissioners unanimously approved.
2. Presented the Accounts Payable Claims and Allowance Docket for 11/05/12. Commissioners unanimously approved.
3. Presented a Transfer Request to go before Council totaling \$90,000. This will appropriate funds from the Rainy Day Fund for the PERF 4th Quarter payment; this appropriation is needed due to the new INPRS reporting and bi-weekly payment schedule. Commissioners unanimously approved.
4. Presented possible Commissioners' 2012 budget shortfalls. Requested permission to review and create transfers to ensure adequate funding in all accounts. Commissioners unanimously approved.
5. Presented a claim for \$3,250 for the installation and removal of holiday lights on the top of the Courthouse. Commissioners asked Dils to confirm.
6. Stated a \$100,000 grant has been received from the Indiana Economic Development Commission for the POET 800 N Infrastructure Project Reimbursement; this was receipted into the Wabash County CREDIT Fund.
7. Presented officials' bonds for Christa Stroup, Circuit Court Reporter; Wabash County Surveyor Cheri Slee and Susie Stephan, Director of Soil and Water totaling \$275. Commissioners unanimously approved.
8. Presented a 2011 Tax Refund for A&R Indiana LLC totaling \$3,476.41 due to a PTABOA adjustment in assessed value. Commissioners unanimously approved and signed claim.
9. Stated scrap metal removed from the Treasurer's office last week was sold as for a total of \$60.80; deposited to the General Fund.
10. Stated the Indiana Auditors' Association will hold an official meeting during the Annual Indiana County Commissioners Conference for both departing and newly elected County Auditors on November 29, 2012 in Indianapolis. She and Auditor-Elect Linda Conrad plan to attend. Commissioners unanimously approved. Conrad will also attend the SBOA's "New Auditors' Training" on December 5th and 6th at the Government Center in Indianapolis.

Commissioners Reviewed:

Regional Chamber of Northeast Indiana – 2013 Policy Agenda

IDEM: Well Water Sampling results: Celotex

Indiana Drug Enforcement Association, Inc. has been awarded an E Grant totaling \$75,000; Sheriff Land has asked the Auditor's office to administer this grant for the association.

No other business, the meeting recessed. The Commissioners will meet on Tuesday, November 12, 2012 (due to the observance of Veterans' Day) in the meeting room on the second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse starting at 9:00 A.M.

*Approved as written – November 13, 2012