

August 17, 1998

Chairman, Lester Templin, called the meeting to order with all members present. Minutes of the 8/10 meeting were approved as written, motioned by Darle, second by Brian, and passed.

Larry Rice, Co. Highway: 50 miles of chip and seal completed and they are in their third round of mowing. Larry has 83 entries of flood damage including Old St. Rd. 15 north of St. Rd. 124. The road will be closed for a minimum of two days to repair the damaged multiplate. He says both the GTE request to bury cable on CR 150 N between St. Rds. 15 and 115 and The SPRINT request to bury cable on CR 700 N beginning on St. Rd. 13 and going east for 1300 ft. should be okay. Commissioners signed both requests. Larry reports the bridge on St. Rd. 114 east of North Manchester will be closed for about 15 days for storm damage repairs. Indiana Dept. of Transportation (INDOT) has set an official detour, and will reimburse the county for road damage to their unofficial detour. Larry thinks the county should post some signs on other roads. Brian motioned to adopt and sign the letter of understanding of the unofficial detour of CR 500 E to CR 1100 N to CR 650 E back to St. Rd. 114. The county will also post a no truck traffic sign on the route of CR 500 E north of St. Rd. 114 and on CR 1250 N and CR 1300N. We will also post a 10 ton weight limit on a 1 mile stretch of CR 500 E south of St. Rd. 114, and on CR 1100 N and CR 650 E for 1 mile each. Second by Darle, the motion passed. Larry will talk again with Lawrence Kessler on Old St. Rd. 15. He's still not satisfied with how his property was restored. Larry says Jay Fetter on CR 500 E, north of St. Rd. 114 near bridge #161 reports shale washed into his yard during the high water, and he would like the county to clean it up. Commissioners don't think that's the county's job, and could lead to many more similar requests. Larry reports private contractors are working along CR 150 N, west of St. Rd. 115. The side ditch has been filled in and the size of pipe installed under the driveways was not approved by the highway department as contended. The Bachelor Creek ditch in the area is already to capacity, and excess rainwater will run to the nearby field belonging to Bob Brodbeck. Larry says he's going to have complaints from neighbors when it rains. Larry will submit additional appropriation requests for the Council's 9/8 meeting for storm damage repairs totaling just under \$300,000. (1) culvert pipe at \$20,000. (2) bridge contract repair at \$120,000. (he figured 12 bridges at \$10,000. each), (3) stone and gravel at \$30,000. (4) the Elliott Rd. bridge replacement at \$110,000. and (5) repair roads by contract at \$16,000. (what's contracted out for road repairs, 4 roads at \$4,000. each).

Somerset Shopping Center Road: Commissioner Attorney, Tom Mattern, will prepare a resolution accepting the road, and Commissioners asked Larry to try to get it chip and sealed before winter.

James Forbes and other members of the Sandy Beach Estates homeowners group report covenants and restrictions for the area are being violated and traffic signs are being ignored. Commissioners will ask the Sheriff's department to patrol the area and the group will air their violation concerns before the next Plan Commission meeting.

Courthouse and Memorial Hall roof work: Mary Ellen Rudisel set a quote estimate deadline for 9/14/98 at 11:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's room of the courthouse. She will ask for separate quotes for each building and start date estimate. Memorial Hall needs the shingled roof replaced, flashings repaired, the attic vented and a rusted circulating fan in the attic replaced. The Courthouse flat roof needs replaced and Mary Ellen wants to use two layers of tar. The chimneys' need repaired and the corner vents capped. Les asked her to get a cost estimate for restoring the corners to their original appearance. Flashing needs repaired and she wants to protect the ridges of the roof from damage caused by people walking on them and crushing them. The skylight needs repaired, replaced or removed. She will handle the publicity for bids.

Pat Lynn of the Local Planning Council had 5 contracts for Commissioners to sign regarding her grant as part of the Welfare to Work project. The \$50,000. reimbursable grant funds run thru an account set up by the county, and we'll have to appropriate the money to set up the account. Commissioners signed agreements for transportation, mentoring, skilled training, planning and a demonstration project. She will return original copies of each agreement for the county's files.

Bob Luce of Butler Fairman and Seufert reports the current hold up on the Carroll Street bridge project is caused because federal funds aren't yet available and they're waiting on design correction approval. In response to Darle's question, he said fish spawning is April thru June and muscles will have to be relocated whenever the work is done. He will check into progress and report back. Bob also had an intergovernmental agreement between Wabash Co. and Miami Co. in regards to the state's recreational road project on CR 950 S in our county, which extends into Miami Co. Commissioners signed agreement that Wabash will be the lead county in the project. Bob will ask Miami Co. Commissioners to sign also, and get a copy back to us. With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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Lester Templin, Chairman

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Darle Dawes

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Brian Hauptert

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Carol Stefanatos, Auditor