

October 26, 1998

Chairman, Lester Templin, called the meeting to order in the courthouse at 9:00 a.m. with all members attending. Minutes of the 10/19 meeting were approved as written, moved by Darle, second by Brian, and passed. Noted IN Dept. of Environmental Management approval for Confined Feeding operations for Jeff Dawes and James Hegel. Reviewed the Clerk's Monthly Report and the Jail/Memorial Hall Custodian hours. Les will talk with Three Rivers Title Co. manager, Jack Vineyard, about progress on title searches for the Old St. Rd. 15 project. Reviewed claims from Scarce & Rudisel Architects. Brian moved to pay the \$2,900.65 claim for the Courthouse/Memorial Hall roof project, second by Darle, and passed. Commissioners declined to approve payment of a \$292.50 bill for consultation on installing the Christmas lights without damaging the newly refurbished dome, and assessing the pigeon problem inside the dome. The lighting problem is a design flaw and should have been resolved last year when the work was done. Heard from the courthouse custodian that the new mower should be here in two weeks. Also, that he will have to buy replacement bulbs for the flagpole light and one on the Lincoln statue. Received notice the county was approved for a Transportation Grant Section 5311 for operating funds. Pat Lynn of Step-Ahead and Nancy Christie from the Council on Ageing worked on the application, supported by Commissioner Resolution 97-3. After discussion, Brian motioned to approve \$2,500 from CEDIT funds be dedicated to Hoosier Heartland Corridor support for 1999, second by Darle, and passed. This will be in the WEDCOR budget for 1999.

Max Reed, Veterans Service officer: Darle motioned to approve using up to \$400. from Memorial Hall account #361 to lower the ceiling, paint the walls and install chair railing in his office, second by Brian, and passed. Max says now is a good time since the file cabinets had to be moved last week because of water, when a valve on the boiler stuck.

Larry Rice, Highway Dept.: Removed the evergreen from the north east corner of courthouse square 10/20. Elliott Rd. bridge is progressing, but some of the old bridge may have to be blasted, as other options to remove it haven't been successful. CR 650 W north of CR 100 N is ready for stone and gravel. CR 600 E and CR 400 N are both being prepared for double chip and seal next summer. Larry reports \$349.92 in damages were done to the North Manchester covered bridge by a truck/camper combination that was too tall for the opening. Police investigated the incident, and the driver is insured. Larry says a letter is coming from INDOT, asking the county to validate that two phases on Old St. Rd. 15 and the Carroll Street bridge project are the only current FA-3 projects in Wabash County. He thinks Butler Fairman & Seufert Engineering or former County Engineer, Herb Underwood, could best confirm the list is correct, before Commissioner Chairman Templin signs the letter. Had a letter from Charles Shaffer, Jr. of Troyer Road in Laketon indicating ground water stands on his property. He's asking for a culvert under the road that would help water drain into Round Lake. Larry thinks there might already be a culvert, and that this may be a drainage board issue.

Courthouse Recycling: Several elected officials urged Commissioners to purchase a dumpster for paper recycling, since the old dumpster was removed when service was discontinued in September. They feel strongly the county offices should be recycling, and the current plan to separate recycle from trash isn't working. Commissioners will talk with Manchester Recycling about collecting the recycle if they purchase a dumpster.

Highway Supply bids for 1999: At 10:00 a.m. Brian moved to close the bids, second by Darle, and passed. Chairman Templin opened and read the bids submitted, then Brian moved to take all bids under advisement, second by Darle, and passed. The bids will be available for review at the Co. Highway department this afternoon. County Attorney, Tom Mattern, noted bid bonds or certified checks for 10% of the bid were not included in all packets. This is because the new Public Purchasing statutes don't require bonds if the total bid amount is under \$25,000. The bid list is:

1. Stone: (a) Irving Materials (Erie Stone) (b) Stoneco (c) Rock Industries
  2. Gravel: (a) Siders and Son Gravel (b) W & W Gravel Co.
  3. Sand: (a) Hoggsback Aggregates, Inc. (b) Rock Industries (c) W & W Gravel Co.
  4. Liquid Asphalt Emulsion: (a) Seneca Petroleum Co. (b) Koch Materials Co.
  5. Liquid Asphalt: (a) Pierceton Trucking
  6. Cold Mix: (a) Phend & Brown, Inc. (b) Gaunt & Son Asphalt, Inc.
  7. Hot Asphalt: (a) Phend & Brown, Inc. (b) Gaunt & Son Asphalt, Inc.
  8. Gasoline: (a) J.M. Reynolds Co. (b) No. Central Cooperative, Inc.
  9. Diesel Fuel: (a) No. Central Cooperative, Inc. (b) J.M. Reynolds Co. (c) Petroleum Traders Corp.
  10. Bridge Materials: (a) American Timber Bridge & Culvert, Inc.
  11. Cold Mix: (a) Phend & Brown, Inc.
  12. Grader Blades: (a) IMPCO Quality Wear Parts (b) American Wire Rope & Sling
  13. Culvert Pipe: (a) St. Regis Culvert (b) U.S. Filter (plastic pipe) (c) Debco Metal Culverts (d) Metal Culverts, Inc.
  14. Road Sign Supplies: (a) Fisher's Assoc. Signs & Post Co. (b) Unistrut (c) Hall Signs, Inc.
  15. Tires: no bids
  16. Motor Oils: (a) Waggoners Oil Co. (b) Aero Oil Co. (c) No. Central Cooperative
  17. Calcium Chloride: (a) Brunk Corp. (b) Pierceton Trucking
- Equipment Rentals: (a) B. & W. Equipment (b) Hank's Construction, Inc. (c) Troy Eads  
Excavating (d) Cripe Earth Services (e) John T. Camden Construction (f) Siders and Son Gravel (g) Phend & Brown, Inc. (h) Gaunt & Son Asphalt, Inc. (i) R.L. McCoy, Inc.

Wabash County 1999 Legal Holidays were approved on a motion by Darle with a second by Brian and no dissenting votes. They are:

Jan. 1	New Years Day	Jan. 18	Martin Luther King	Feb. 15	President Day
April 2	Good Friday	May 4	Primary Election	May 31	Memorial Day
July 5	Independence Day	Sept. 6	Labor Day	Oct. 11	Columbus Day
Nov. 2	General Election	Nov. 11	Veterans Day	Nov. 25 & 26	Thanksgiving
Dec. 24	Christmas Eve	Dec. 31	New Years Eve		

With no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned.

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Lester D. Templin, Chairman

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Darle Dawes

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Brian Hauptert

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Carol Stefanatos, Auditor