

July 1, 2002

Commissioner Chairman, Brian Hauptert, called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. with all members present. Minutes of the 6/24 meeting were approved as written, moved by Lester Templin, second by Darle Dawes, and passed. Commissioners reviewed and signed the Payroll Claim and Allowance Docket, the Payroll Check Register and the Accounts Payable Voucher Register. They reviewed the Clerk's report for May and the Benicomp insurance report for May. Upon the recommendation of Don Metz, Les moved to re-appoint Norman Little to the Wabash County Hospital Association Board for a four year term thru 12/31/05 second by Darle, and passed. Commissioners will seek recommendations for a replacement for William Anderson, whose term expired in January of this year. Commissioners signed the annual contract with the State Board of Animal Health for Bovine Brucellosis and T.B. eradication. Commissioners dedicate \$1000. yearly for this program. Commissioner attorney, Tom Mattern, reports Kristina Lynn is available to attend the July 8th executive meeting regarding M & W Construction. Brian will talk to Pyramid Architects & Engineers about having someone here, too. County Health Nurse, Jane Skeans, has a new computer provided by the state, that will be set up in August. She is to be on-line and part of a state wide registry. She needs a dedicated line and internet service. Commissioners told Jane to get installation estimates, plus ask their current internet provider if she can piggy-back their existing service. Les moved to support the Health department request for additional funds for this project, second by Darle, and passed. Monthly phone service will be paid from the county general budget, but internet service will come from the Health department budget. Chris Martin and David Rutledge, representing WEDCOR, assured Commissioners there are sufficient uncommitted CEDIT funds to subsidize both ambulance services \$50,000. in 2002. There's \$465,000. after the requested \$194,052.25 for WEDCOR is deducted. There would be the desired cushion in excess of \$300,000.00 uncommitted. Darle moved to support the WEDCOR request for 2003 of \$194,052.25 from county CEDIT funds, as part of a three year schedule to set up a loan fund, second by Les, and passed. Les moved to approve the use of \$100,000. in CEDIT funds to subsidize Wabash City and Life-Med ambulance services at \$50,000. each in 2002, second by Darle, and passed. Darle moved to sign a one year contract with Wabash City for ambulance services covering about two-thirds of the county, second by Les, and passed. The \$150,000. contract is good for 2002.

Larry Rice, Co. Highway Dept.; Four trucks sold at last Friday's auction brought \$11,250.00. CR 150 E is open north of St. Rd 16 where Chester bridge # 7 has been replaced with an aluminum box culvert. Larry says a SPRINT request to bury cable in the right-of-way along CR 700 N looks okay. They will extend existing cable 83 feet west to 7321 W 700 N. Commissioners signed the request.

Judicial Center: Mike Murphy with Pyramid updated. Campbell's Excavating is seeding on the west side today. Son Construction is finishing Premier Services' work and addressing the granite problem. Banner Glass worked last week, and still need to fix the entry doors. Quality Electric has all needed materials to complete their punch list, but are swamped with air conditioning emergencies, and will do our work later. Brian hasn't been given an estimate for landscaping, yet. Mike will learn what can be done to prevent damage from the sprinkler system, if the alarm activates it. With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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Brian K. Hauptert, Chairman

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Darle V. Dawes

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Lester D. Templin

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Carol Stefanatos, Auditor