

July 7, 2003

Commissioner Chairman, Lester Templin called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. with all members present. Minutes of the 6/30 meeting were approved as written, moved by Brian Hauptert, second by Darle Dawes, and passed. Commissioners reviewed and signed the Accounts Payable Voucher Register and reviewed the June Financial Report and the Judicial Center/Jail custodian hours. Brian moved to sign a one year contract with the IN State Board of Animal Health for Bovine Brucellosis and Tuberculosis eradication programs in Wabash Co., second by Darle, and passed. Brian moved to appoint John Rosen as their Republican representative on the Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals, Darle second, and passed. Commissioner attorney, Tom Mattern, reports he will attend an 8/15/03 hearing, representing the county. It regards a Vernon Street property owned by a Rodreguez, condemned and razed by the City of Wabash. The city is trying to recoup some of their costs, but there are other liens with priority over them, including delinquent property taxes due the county. Mattern reviewed a one year contract between the county and the Wabash Co. Solid Waste District (WCSWD) for the tower at their new facility. The contract stipulates the county must fence the tower and move equipment inside the building within 12 months. Most of the obligations and liabilities belong to the county. Commissioners will negotiate terms before they sign the contract. Brian moved support of a grant application thru Our Children Our Future, second by Darle, and passed. Presented by Shelly Neal, the Early Learning Opportunities grant, must have government support. Emergency Management director, Bob Brown, presented his April thru June quarterly report for review and signatures. Commissioners signed the report. He told Commissioners the Reverse 911 system, tested in the June drill, worked as it should, but it's not 100% effective. There weren't any leaks in the EMA office over the weekend, that's good news. Circuit Court Clerk, Lori Draper, reports she needs a new printer for receipts for her ISETS program, at a cost of \$196.00. She must pay for it, then the state will reimburse her for 66% of the cost. She's not sure where she will get the money, but won't buy until her current supply of receipts runs low. She also needs a copy machine, hers can't keep up with the volume, although it works and could be used by another office. She's looking at reconditioned units and will check a lease option as suggested by Sheriff Striker. Sheriff Striker reports there were only a few small leaks in the jail and that's an improvement. The department is adding a bomb detecting canine to their force. Detective Mike Shrider will handle the dog, who will be available to business, schools and government as needed. Beverly Ferry, director of the Council on Aging, presented the second quarter report for the 5311 Transportation grant, along with a claim. Brian moved approval to submit the claim, second by Darle, and passed. She has one of the vehicles on display at the fair this week.

Weights and Measures director: Commissioners reviewed test scores and applications for the five candidates who completed the test. Darle moved to appoint Joe Vogel as the director, second by Brian, and passed. Current director, Phil Van Baalen, has resigned effective 7/11/03. With no further business, the meeting recessed.

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Lester Templin, Chairman

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Darle V. Dawes

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Brian K. Hauptert

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Carol Stefanatos, Auditor