The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, February 11, 2013. Chairman Barry J. Eppley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all members present: Eppley, Brian K. Haupert, and Scott E. Givens. The proceedings of the meeting were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Linda Conrad. The minutes of the February 4, 2013 meeting were reviewed. Givens made a motion to approve the minutes as written; the motion was seconded by Haupert and passed by a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent:

- 1. Submitted a NIPSCO application to install a 2" gas main along the east side of 300 E and north side of 1100 N to 11147 N 300 E. NIPSCO will bore under driveways.
- 2. NIPSCO also applied for installation of gas service to 2449 S 300 E. NIPSCO will dig two bell-holes to bore under 300 E.

Haupert made a motion to approve both utility permits; the motion was seconded by Givens and passed by a 3-0 vote.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff:

- 1. Stated there are 75 inmates currently housed in the Wabash County Jail; 2 inmates are housed at the Miami County Jail.
- 2. Reported the promotion of Jail Officer Aaron Hill to Assistant Jail Commander and hired three jail officers to replace individuals who had resigned.

Bob Brown, EMA & Central Dispatch Director requested permission to attend a Homeland Security meeting in Indianapolis this week. Commissioners were in agreement.

Dr. Robert Beckett, Jr. County Health Board member reported that Dr. David Roe has accepted the position of Wabash County Health Officer. Givens made a motion to appoint Dr. David Roe as Wabash County Health Officer effective March 1, 2013. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Jennifer Scott, Health Department Environmental Specialist:

- 1. Requested the installation of a locking door between the public records room and the administrative assistant's office to be in compliance with HIPAA regulations. Rose Construction in Urbana submitted the lowest quote in the amount of \$265 which included two locking doorknobs (one for another existing door). Commissioners suggested using SPHI grant funds. Haupert made a motion to approve the door installation with the cost to be paid by the SPHI grant. Givens seconded the motion and it passed by a 3-0 vote.
- 2. Stated that in regards to the department's previous request to purchase iPads from the SPHI grant funds, she is currently researching all computer programming and how those programs would interact with the intended

use of iPads. She would like to assess the needs of each staff member before requesting a decision from the Board.

Kathryn Carter-Lower, Health Department Office Manager/Deputy Registrar requested approval on the previous requests for usage of SPHI accreditation grant monies, which had been taken under advisement by the Board. Haupert made a motion to approve the purchase of furniture and locking file cabinets in the amount of \$3,589.92 as quoted by K-Log and to proceed with the request for appropriations from County Council. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Givens made a motion to approve the purchase of a computer, two monitors, mouse and keyboard in the amount of \$2,000 as quoted by Intrasect and to proceed with the request for appropriations from County; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Haupert made a motion to approve the purchase of a computer, two monitors, mouse and keyboard in the amount of \$2,000 as quoted by Intrasect and to proceed with the request for appropriations from County Council. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Haupert made a motion to approve the purchase of pens and paper in the amount of \$430 as quoted by Amsterdam Printing and to proceed with the request for appropriations from County Council. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Jim Dils, County Coordinator:

- 1. Stated Mayor Vanlandingham has requested that Ron Kerby be appointed as the City's nominee to the Wabash County Economic Development Commission, replacing Bruce Ingraham. Givens made a motion to appoint Ron Kerby to the County Economic Development Commission. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
- 2. Reported the new replacement boiler in the courthouse should be in service today.
- 3. Stated he contacted Protechs, Inc. regarding completion the clean-up work in the health department. Protechs has been on-site and compiled a list of items which need to be finished. Payment is being withheld until the project is completed.
- 4. Reported the heat pump which serves the Auditor's office has leaks in both evaporator coils. The coils installed in 2009 were not coated. Dils submitted a quote in the amount of \$3,595 from Quality Electric to replace the coils and includes previous service calls. Commissioners agreed Dils should proceed with the replacement and the costs should be paid from the Cumulative Capital Development fund.
- 5. Asked about the status of Kenna Consulting's inquiry regarding the proposed survey to be completed for the City's grant application. Eppley stated a meeting concerning the application is scheduled for Wednesday.

Frank Shoemaker, Bay Geophysical, Inc., Traverse City, Michigan requested approval to conduct a geophysical seismic survey on several Wabash County roads in search of possible petroleum and natural gas reserves. Shoemaker submitted a detailed application and certificate of insurance liability. He stated the company's cabling and equipment are in compliance with IDOT safety regulations. He explained that seismic cables would be placed on the shoulder of the roadway, no digging would be required and no roads would be blocked. He stated the company would notify the county highway department before starting the project in approximately 15-45 days. The expected completion would be 10 days thereafter. Haupert made a motion to approve the application from Bay Geophysical, Inc. to conduct an oil and gas seismic survey. Givens seconded the motion and it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Commissioners reviewed/approved:

Payroll claims for February 13, 2013 Approved request for use of Roann Covered Bridge for a wedding on June 15, 2013

With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting was recessed. The next scheduled meeting is Monday, February 18, 2013 in the Commissioners' room on the second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse.