November 3, 1997

Chairman, Brian Haupert, called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. in the courthouse, with all members attending. Minutes of the 10/27 meeting were approved as written, motioned by Darle, second by Les and passed. Commissioners approved the re-appointment of Robert C. Watson as Director of the Wabash County Emergency Management Agency and Civil Defense through December 31, 2000. Commissioners advised Terry Hudson no policy has been set regarding "comp time" eligibility, yet. Reviewed the Clerk's Monthly Report and reviewed and signed the Payroll Check Register and the Payroll Claim and Allowance Docket.

Larry Rice, Highway Department: Motorists are still ignoring the heighth restriction barriers on the Carroll Street bridge. They were knocked down three times last week, and they're set at $7\frac{1}{2}$ feet, when the limit is 7 feet. The Minnick Road near the Salamonie Forest has been cleared and bermed in preparation for double chip and seal next spring. Les asked Larry to get comparison figures for the cost of chip and seal versus asphalt.

Commissioners approved two utility requests. GTE Telephone Operations will bury cable on CR 475W, beginning at CR 100S and going north for 410'. NIPSCO will install a gas main on CR 150N to service Cecil Weaver. It begins 852 feet west of the centerline of St. Rd. 115 and extends west for 700 feet. Larry Rice says both requests are O.K.

Commissioners set dates for two hearings. One, to close an alley in Urbana, is set for November 24, 1997 at 11:00 A.M., and the second, to approve a new Flood Plain Ordinance, will be held at 1:00 P.M. on November 24, 1997.

Tim Roberts, Sheriff: There are 89 in jail this morning. Tim advised Commissioners his department had a hostage situation in the southern part of the county last Friday morning. After a three hour stand-off, the suspect was aprehended, and is at the Bowen Center for evaluation. He had no prior record or violations.

County Owned Property Sale: Les motioned to close the bids at 10:00 A.M., second by barle and passed. Four bids were accepted. Two for the property at 371 E. Main Street, known as Pt. SE4 of Section 11 in Township 27 and Range 6 (43.6' x 213.5'). There was one bid of \$550. from Martin Schaaf and one for \$1,000 from Jimmy Starr. Greg Music bid \$1.00 for the Mid. Pt. of the Fr. Wa of Section 31 in Township 27 and Range 6, being .50 acre in Noble Township. Joseph Fausnight bid \$189.50 on lot 127 in Block D of Sandy Beach Estates, Section 2. Following discussion, Darle motioned to accept the Starr and Fausnight bids, and take the Music bid under advisement. Second by Les, the motion carried.

Commissioners approved the Legal Holiday Schedule for 1998 in accordance with IC:

1-1-9-1. January	1,	1998	Mav	25.	1998		November	11 1998
January	19,	1998	July		1998			26 & 27, 1998
February	16,	1998	September	7,	1998			24 & 25, 1998
April	10,	1998	October	12,	1998		December	31, 1998
		1998			1998		January	1, 1999
Les motio	ned	to accept the	schedule,	seco	nd by Darle	and p	assed.	

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Brian Haupert, Chairman

ATTEST: Carol Stefanotos

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