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WABASH COUNTY COUNCIL  
2013 DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET HEARINGS

Wabash County Council met on Tuesday, August 14, 2012 and Wednesday, August 15, 2012 starting at 12:00 P.M. each day to hold Departmental Budget Hearings for the 2013 Wabash County Budgets. Jim Kaltenmark presided over the hearings with all members and Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway present. Council reviewed each department's budget requests with the department heads and discussed possible cuts in order to present a budget within the State's Average Growth Quotient of 2.8%

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Council reconvened for the 2013 Department Budget Hearings at 3:00 P.M. on August 16, 2012. Council reviewed the sixteen (16) line statement. Little stated that due to an e-mail from George Helton at the DLGF, he realized he had not added in all the funds on the sixteen (16) line statement that could be utilized thus showing that extra funds are available. Council discussed using this amount for a 1% salary increase for employees. Little stated a 2% increase would be excessive in light of the 1.5% Indiana Public Retirement System (INPRS- formerly known as PERF) increase as well as an estimated 8% increase for employee health insurance. Markstahler made a motion to implement a 1% employee salary increase across the board; his motion was seconded by Curless and passed by a 6-0 vote. Kaltenmark abstained. Council will place the Sheriff's Merit Deputy Pay Scale under advisement.

Evans made a motion to adjourn the Budget Hearing; his motion was seconded by Curless and passed by a 7-0 vote.

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WABASH COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION FOR BINDING REVIEW OF  
2013 BUDGET FOR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Wabash County Council met in Special Session on Thursday, August 16, 2012 at 4:00 P.M. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the Wabash County Courthouse. Council Members James Kaltenmark, Claude Markstahler, Randy Curless, Gary Nose, Ted Little, Jeff Dawes and Daryl Evans met with Jenice Rankin and Ken Ahlfeld and the Solid Waste Management District Board for the

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Binding Review and Public Hearing for the 2013 Budget of the Wabash County Solid Waste Management District. The proceedings of the Special Session were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway.

Ahlfeld stated there are two (2) increases in the budget: gas heaters were installed which will create a gas bill and roof repairs. Nose stated the SWMD budget does not have a full 2.8% Growth Quotient. Ahlfeld stated they have requested what the Board believes is sufficient to sustain their operations for 2013. Ahlfeld stated SWMD has paid an extra \$105,000 on the building loan in 2012 and has a goal to pay the loan off by July 2014; Ahlfeld presented an amortization report. Rankin stated she is working on a report she will present to Council when complete. Rankin stated she is taking the average weight of each recyclable product received, the start-up cost and the operation cost and comparing that against the value of the product. The intent is to show what Wabash County could make if they were to recycle their own materials. Evans made a motion to approve the 2013 Wabash County Solid Waste Management District Budget as presented for a total of \$497,918 on the first reading; his motion was seconded by Nose and passed by a 7-0 vote.

Markstahler made a motion to adjourn the Special Session; his motion passed by a 7-0 vote.

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