

July 19, 1999

Council Chairman, Ted Little, called the meeting to order in the courthouse at 8:00 a.m. with all members attending. Leon Ridenour shared a prayer, and minutes of the 6/7 meeting were approved as written, moved by Richard Pepple, second by Paul Sites, and passed. Heard from Co. Surveyor, John Stephens, that a 3% loan application thru the Dept. of Natural Resources has been denied for the Urbana Drainage Project. The DNR ruled our project is a drainage and storm sewer project rather than a flood prevention project. John will appeal, but in the meantime he's researching alternatives so the project could begin this October. He will contact local banks to learn their rates, since he must have financing lined up before holding a public hearing with Urbana residents who must contribute \$160,000. toward the project. Funding of \$500,000. was approved last year, but since that's limited to \$50,000. every six months, it will be used to repay a loan. Council strongly advised Stephens to appeal the DNR decision, with petitions and personal visits to the DNR by a group of supporters. Co. Assessor, Kelly Schenkel, advised there aren't any available level 2 trained people to sit on the Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals (PTABOA). People from other counties won't come here for the Council set pay of \$50. a day. Council consensus is to work with the current 3 member board, as this is a statewide problem the legislature will have to address. Gary Nose moved to approve Resolution 1999-4, which prohibits distributing CAGIT money to the Wabash Co. Solid Waste District, second by Eugene Schenkel, and passed. Rich moved to approve Resolution 1999-5, which allows transfer of \$111.13 from the dormant 1995 Cumulative Reappraisal Fund to the current 1999 Cumulative Reappraisal Fund, second by Gary, and passed. The public hearings for the 2000 budget are set for Monday and Tuesday August 16th & 17th beginning at 2:00 p.m. each day.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE IV-1999

	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	AYE	NAY
COUNTY GENERAL				
Prosecuting Attorney				
313 Other Ser/Chgs. (Victims Assistance)	\$ 5,000.	\$ 5,000.	7	0
New law effective 7/1/99, mandates new responsibilities including working with juvenile victims, for this position. Also, the federal grant monies, which come from federal fines collected, have been cut due to less being collected last year, so the difference must be made up locally. Ted noted we spend a lot of money on defendants, and thinks helping victims is worthwhile. Paul moved approval, second by Gary and passed by all.				
Memorial Hall				
421 Capital Outlay (Justice Bldg.)	308,000.	308,000.	6	1
For architect fees on the project thru 1999. Paul has had one negative comment about the project, and Rich has had some questions, but no complaints. Leon is worried about the economy and year 2000 issues, and doesn't want to add to the tax rate. He would like to hold off on the project for six months. The plan is to use surplus funds, a bond issue to be repaid with CEDIT monies, and no tax increase. Rich moved to approve the request, second by Paul, and passed 6 to 1, with Leon voting nay.				
LOCAL ROAD & STREET				
5420 Capital Outlay (CR 900 S)	38,000.	38,000.	7	0
5421 " " (CR 1400 N)	42,000.	42,000.	7	0
5422 " " (CR 800 E)	25,000.	25,000.	7	0
5423 " " (Dump truck)	75,000.	75,000.	7	0
5424 " " (underbody scraper)	5,000.	5,000.	7	0
Roads will have chip & seal applied. Gene moved approval of all Rd. & St. requests, second by Leon, and passed by all.				
CEDIT				
431 Capital Outlay (G & S Metals sewer line)	12,000.	12,000.	7	0
This is 80% of the cost for sewer line installation, with owner Scott Galley, paying the rest. Located in the So. Industrial Park complex, they have agreed to the WEDCOR covenants of 100% inside storage, and there's no air contamination with their product. They work with aluminum chips, with 98% recovery rate, and have customers as far away as Mexico. They ship mainly by truck, and trucks are the biggest foreseeable noise problem. Leon moved approval of \$12,000., second by Robert Whitesel, and passed by all.				
User Fee - Pre-Trial Diversion				
361 Other Ser/Chgs (maintenance, Prosecutor office)	1,500.	1,500.	7	0
Funds were depleted for new computers, and now a back door has been replaced. Paul moved approval, second by Rich, and passed by all..				
With no further business, Leon moved to adjourn, second by Gene, and passed.				

/s/ Ted Little /s/ Leon Ridenour /s/ Richard Pepple /s/ Gary Nose
/s/ Paul Sites /s/ Eugene Schenkel /s/ Robert Whitesel

ATTEST: _____
Carol Stefanatos, Auditor