

**DECEMBER 11, 2006
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Wabash County Council met in Executive Session on December 11, 2006 at 8:00 A.M. Chairman, Bob Fuller called the meeting to order with six members present: Bob Fuller, Dean Eppley, Leon Ridenour, Ted A. Little, Gary S. Nose, and Claude Markstahler. Council member Paul Bergman was absent. The Council reviewed a job description for the position of County Coordinator. Following discussion the Council decided to call a Special Session for December 18, 2006 at 8:00 A.M. to be held in the Commissioners Room on the Second Floor of the Wabash County Courthouse prior to the Board of Commissioners meeting.

**DECEMBER 11, 2006
SPECIAL SESSION**

The Wabash County Council met in a Special Session on December 11, 2006 at 8:45 A.M. with six members present: Bob Fuller, Dean Eppley, Leon Ridenour, Ted Little, Gary Nose and Claude Markstahler. Paul Bergman was absent. Also present were Wabash County Commissioners Brian Hauptert, Lester Templin and Darle Dawes as well as Commissioner-Elect Scott Givens.

Chairman Fuller called the meeting to order. Prayer was offered by Ridenour.

The first order of business was to set the meeting schedule for 2007. The 2007 schedule set regular session meetings at 8:00 A.M. on January 22, February 26, March 26, April 23, May 29, June 25, July 23, and August 21, 2007. Council will also meet for 2008 Departmental Budget Hearings on August 21, 22, and 23 with the next regular meeting and the Final 2008 Budget Hearing to be held on September 10. Council will then meet in regular sessions on October 22 and December 3, 2007. This schedule was unanimously adopted by the Council. They will hold their meetings on the second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse in the former Circuit Court Room.

The next order of business was to address the following additional appropriation request by the Wabash County Board of Commissioners as advertised and presented in Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2006-XII.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS
ORDINANCE 2006-XII**

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget; now, therefore:

SEC. 1, Be it ordained by the Wabash County Council of Wabash County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the taxing unit the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same:

WABASH COUNTY CREDIT FUND 0121

	Amount Requested	Amount Appropriated	AYE	NAY
03-439-123 LaFontaine TIF District	\$100,000	\$100,000	6	0

Presented to the Wabash County Council, read in full and adopted on the 11th day of December 2006 by the above recorded aye and nay votes. The Auditor was directed to present the above additional appropriations to the Department of Local Government Finance for approval a by law provided.

This request is for “Seed Money: for the Economic Development Group (EDG) to help establish a TIF (Tax Increment Financing) District near the Town of LaFontaine.

Bill Konya, EDG president and EDG board members: Skip Daughtry, Jeff Kellam, vice chairman; Ralph Naragon, treasurer, along with Michael Comparato, president and CEO, VIESTE LLC, Indianapolis were all present to discuss the new opportunities this move will have on the Industrial and Agricultural growth in the area. A Tax Increment Financing District will help finance improvements to the designated area with proceeds used to help market the area. Plans are for a new Agricultural/Industrial park to be developed on a 200 acre site south of LaFontaine. The park will include an ethanol plant among other possibilities. Following discussion, Eppley made a motion to approve the TIF “Seed Money.” It was seconded by Nose and approved with a 6-0 vote.

No other business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Eppley and a second by Markstahler. Council will meet again in a Special Session meeting on December 18, 2006 at 8:00 A.M. to conduct year-end business and to consider amendments for the 2007 Salary and Wage Ordinance.