

## AUGUST 18, 2011

The Wabash County Council met for their regular August meeting on Thursday, August 18, 2011 in the Courthouse Meeting Room on the second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse. James Kaltenmark called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. with all members present: Kaltenmark, Claude Markstahler, Randy Curless, Gary Nose, Jeff Dawes, Daryl Evans and Ted Little. The proceedings of the meeting were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway.

The first order of business was to review the minutes of the July 25, 2011 meeting. Markstahler made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; his motion was seconded by Curless and passed by a 7-0 vote. The minutes of the Non-Binding Review meetings 8/2/11 and 8/3/11 were also reviewed. Nose made a motion to approve minutes as presented; his motion was seconded by Dawes and passed by a 6-0 vote.

Kaltenmark opened the floor for public comments regarding agenda items. No comments were offered.

The next order of business was to address the Additional Appropriation requests as advertised:

### ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE 2011 NO VIII

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:

Amount Requested	Amount Appropriated	AYE	NAY
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### COUNTY GENERAL FUND # 0001 PLAN COMMISSION #0001-00022

0001-0022-03-431-011Other Services and Charges - Additional Legal	\$ 170	\$ 170	7	0
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This request is for attorney fees for suit filed against Eldon Taylor for junk violation. The total attorney fee was \$570. Judgment against Mr. Taylor was \$400 which was paid to Mr. Thrush on 7/15/11.

Plan Commission Director Mike Howard stated Eldon Taylor has not cleaned the area mandated by the court and is in contempt of court so a second court date was set for Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. However, a continuance has been granted and the new court date is Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. Little made a motion to approve request; his motion was seconded by Evans and passed by a 7-0 vote.

**WABASH COUNTY POLICE PENSION FUND #0022**

**0022-0000-01-413-074 Personal Services**

– Sheriff’s Pension Contributions – August                    \$ 3,129                    \$ 3,129                    7                    0

Civil Process Collections for the month of June 2011: Clerk’s Office civil process collections \$1,716; Sheriff Department civil process collections \$13; Sheriff Sale Proceeds for June 2011 - \$1,400

Nose made a motion to approve the request; his motion was seconded by Curless and passed by a 7-0 vote. Wabash County Sheriff Bob Land stated the hiring process is complete. His recommendation to hire Casey Springer and Brady Airgood was approved by the Commissioners. Both will attend the police academy starting September 12<sup>th</sup>.

**ADULT PROBATION USER FEE FUNDS #0060**

**0060-0000-03-431-000 Other Services and Charges**

– Adult Services/Drug Screens    \$ 10,000                    \$ 10,000                    7                    0

This officer would respectfully request that this Council approve the transfer of \$10,000 from Adult Probation User Fees to Adult Probation Services/Drug Screens. The number of drug screens we are collecting is drastically higher than 2010. This officer has submitted a more appropriate amount for the 2012 budget than was submitted for the 2011 budget.

Curless made a motion to approve request; his motion was seconded by Dawes and passed by a 7-0 vote.

This was presented to the Wabash County Council, read in full and adopted on the 18<sup>th</sup> of August 2011, by the above aye and nay vote.

The next order of business was to address Transfer Requests submitted:

**TRANSFER RESOLUTION  
NO. 2011-10**

**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 expense of said county government and its institutions for the year ending December 31, 2011 the following additional sums of money are hereby transferred and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same:

	Amount Requested	Amount Appropriated	AYE	NAY
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**DECREASE:**

**PROPERTY REAPPRAISAL FUND # 0041**

0041-0000-02-421-020 Computer Supplies	\$2,000	\$2,000	7	0
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**SEC. 2** WHEREAS, it has been shown that certain existing appropriations now have unobligated balances which will not be needed for the purposes for which appropriated, it is further resolved that the following existing appropriations be reduced in the following amounts:

**INCREASE:**

**PROPERTY REAPPRAISAL FUND # 0041**

0041-0000-03-431-014 F11 Processing	\$2,000	\$2,000	7	0
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We need to use all our available time to complete data entry for reassessment. By using a vendor to complete our F11's, it will enable us to complete this talk on time.

Evans made a motion to approve request; his motion was seconded by Dawes and passed by a 7-0 vote.

This was presented to the Wabash County Council, read in full, and adopted on the 18<sup>th</sup> day August, 2011, by the above aye and nay vote.

Kaltenmark opened the floor for Public Comments regarding non-agenda concerns. No comments were offered.

**COUNCIL REVIEWED:**

**July 31, 2011 Auditor and Treasurer Financial Reports**

**Region III-A 2012 Annual Appropriation Request - \$ 12,445**

**Local Option Income Tax Certified Distributions for 2012 : *Council requested clarification from DLFG on rate increase – if certification rates as presented by DLFG are accepted what will this affect; is it an option to maintain last years rate.***

**Update on Sheriff's Pension Fund Contributions for 2011**

The next order of business was the Non-Binding review of the Town of Roann 2012 Budget presented by Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway. Council considered the Town of Roann 2012 Budget and notes from the DLGF field representative. Following discussion, the Council made the following recommendations for all Wabash County Civil Taxing Units:

**NON-BINDING REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS: FOR 2012 WABASH COUNTY TAXING UNITS CIVIL BUDGETS:**

1. Each non-binding 2012 budget should not exceed the 2.9% growth quotient.
2. The DLGF may cut the presented 2012 budgets if they exceed maximum levy allowed.
3. For Noble Township and Lagro Township: Council recognizes the uniqueness of each situation/request. The ultimate decision is made by the DLGF.

Council unanimously approved these recommendations and instructed Ridgeway to report their recommendations to the units and state.

Council concluded their regular meeting and continued reviewing the 2012 budgets requested by county departments at 5:21 P.M.

**The following individuals attended the August 18th Council meeting:**

*\*If any names are spelled incorrectly, we apologize.*

Sheila Rhoades

Danielle Smith

Bob Brown, EMA Director

Keith Walters, Assistant EMA Director

Mike Howard, Plan Commission Director

Teresa Witkoske, Extension Director

Sharon Shaw, Wabash County Treasurer

Cheri Slee, Wabash County Surveyor

Lori Draper, Wabash County Recorder

Kelly Schenkel, Wabash County Assessor

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff

Dallas Duggan, Chief Probation Officer

Jim Dils, County Coordinator

Commissioners: Brian Haupert and Barry Eppley

\*Approved as written – September 12, 2011