

January 29, 2001

Leon Ridenour called the meeting of the Wabash County Council to order at 8:00 A.M. with all members present. Leon brought prayer and welcomed returned member Joann Rauh. The Auditor conducted election of officers for 2001. Gary Nose was selected as chairman, moved by Paul Sites, second by Eugene Schenkel, and carried. Leon was approved as vice chairman, moved by Paul, second by Ted Little, and passed. Minutes of the 12/4 meeting were approved as corrected, moved by Gene, second by Paul, and passed. Gary voted nay on the Wards of Court additional appropriation request and yes on the Circuit Court Pauper Appeals request. Minutes of the 1/12/01 meeting were approved as written, moved by Richard Pepple, second by Ted, and passed. Gene moved to re-appoint Phillip Mendenhall to the Alcoholic Beverage Board for 2001, second by Rich, and passed. Gene moved to appoint Gary as the Council representative on the museum relocation board for 2001, second by Ted, and passed. Council learned the judicial building project is about 5 1/2 months behind schedule, 60% of the job management fees have been paid and only about 20% of the work is complete. The management contract expires in May, and the project will be far from completed. Four staff members at the beginning of the project are no longer with Prince/Alexander, and there may not be sufficient staff left to honor the contract. They also learned Life-Med ambulance service is operating with additional funds from the county, thru March. Commissioner Hauptert says there isn't anyone else interested in the job, and if Life-Med is terminated, there's no coverage for the northern part of the county. Barry Hicks, representing the Sheriff, asked to transfer funds budgeted for an additional dispatcher in the jail, to the Sheriff's budget for another deputy. Council can't act on this, until it's been advertised.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2001-I

		AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	AYE	NAY
COUNTY GENERAL					
Prosecuting Attorney					
173	Personal Services (disability insurance)	\$ 157.08	157.08	7	0
Prosecutor IV-D					
173	Personal Services (disability insurance)	179.16	179.16	7	0
Disability coverage for employees Shelly Neal and Debra Tiffany, who are eligible, but haven't been covered. Ted moved to approve both requests, second by Paul and passed.					
CUMULATIVE BRIDGE					
3311	Other Services/Charges (Br. 28 engineering)	40,700.00	40,700.00	7	0
3312	" " " (Br. 13 engineering)	7,000.00	7,000.00	7	0
3411	Capital Outlay (Br. 28 construction)	159,500.00	159,500.00	7	0
Rich moved to approve both the engineering and construction appropriations for Br. 28, second by Paul, and passed by all. Gene moved, Ted second and passed to approve the engineering appropriation for Br. 13 as requested. Both projects are 80% federal funded on construction, while the county pays all engineering costs. Bridge #13 request is for a field survey, preliminary plans and a cost assessment.					
E-911					
325	Other Services/Charges (reverse 911 phone bills)	5,760.00	5,760.00	7	0
Monthly phone bills are higher than originally quoted for 12 lines. Ted moved approval as requested, second by Gene, and passed.					
PRE-TRIAL DIVERSION					
	Transfer from Co. General Fund to balance account	5,362.95	0.00	6	0
Rich moved to table the request, second by Paul, and passed, with Jo Ann abstaining.					
HEALTH MAINTENANCE					
216	Supplies (TB serum, nurse)	900.00	900.00	7	0
313	Other Services/Charges (flu & pneumonia vaccine)	7,200.00	7,200.00	7	0
Rich moved to approve both requests, second by Paul, and passed.					
DRUG FREE INDIANA					
301	Youth Service Bureau	500.00	500.00	7	0
302	Youth Service Bureau	1,000.00	1,000.00	7	0
303	Manchester Jr. High School	480.00	480.00	7	0
304	Manchester High School	1,400.00	1,400.00	7	0
305	Family Service Society	500.00	500.00	7	0
306	Family Focused Nurturing	4,500.00	4,500.00	7	0
307	Bowen Center	6,000.00	6,000.00	7	0
308	Wabash Co. Prosecutor	1,010.00	1,010.00	7	0
309	Wabash Co. Drug/Alcohol Court (educate)	500.00	500.00	7	0
310	Wabash Co. Drug/Alcohol Court (screens)	3,500.00	3,500.00	7	0
311	Working Against Substance Abuse (WASA)	9,000.00	9,000.00	7	0
312	Wabash Co. Probation Dept.	600.00	600.00	7	0
313	Manchester Police Dept.	3,000.00	3,000.00	7	0
314	Wabash Co. Sheriff Dept.	4,500.00	4,500.00	7	0
Gene moved to approve all requests for WASA, second by Leon, and passed. The total grant of \$36,800. is to be divided equally between programs for prevention and education, treatment, justice and discretionary purposes relating to alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. The funds are collected locally, and 1/4 goes to the state. Transfer Resolution 2001-I, a request from the Prosecutor to transfer funds to purchase a new phone system, wasn't addressed, as it was submitted late. With no further business, Ted moved to adjourn, second by Paul, and passed.					

/s/ Gary Nose            /s/ Leon Ridenour            /s/ Richard Pepple            /s/ Ted Little  
/s/ Paul Sites            /s/ Eugene Schenkel            /s/ Joann Rauh

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Carol Stefanatos, Auditor