

MAY 11, 2009

SPECIAL SESSION

Wabash County Commissioners and Wabash County Council met in Special Session on May 11, 2009 for a joint meeting at 5:00 P.M. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Wabash County Courthouse for an informational gathering/question and answer time with Wabash County residents on the proposed LOHUT (Local Option Highway Use Tax). Council Chairman Mike Ridenour called the meeting to order with all Council members except Ted Little* and all Commissioners in attendance. Also present were Jim Dils, County Coordinator/Human Resources Director, Wabash County Auditor Jane Ridgeway and Wabash County Highway Superintendent Phil Amones. John A. Habermann, P.E., Program Manager of Indiana LTAP from the Purdue University School of Civil Engineering presented an overview of the LOHUT or "wheel tax" available to county governments under I.C. 6-3.5-4 for additional funding to construct and maintain county streets and roads. Amones gave a brief review of the declining state revenues for the county from gasoline taxes. Approximately 20 county residents were in attendance and several shared their views and concerns. Following discussion, Kaltenmark moved to adjourn the meeting. His motion was seconded by Curless and approved 6-0. A discussion of LOHUT will be on the agenda for the May 26, 2009 Wabash County Council Meeting.

* Approved with correction of Council members in attendance – May 26, 2009