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The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, July 17, 2017. Chairman Scott E. Givens called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners present: Givens, Barry J. Eppley and Brian K. Hauptert. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the July 10, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Eppley made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent presented an engineering contract from United Consulting for Bridge #151 (1200 S over Cart Creek). Engineering fees are not to exceed \$148,300. Hauptert made a motion to approve the contract. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 85 inmates with 43 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail, 9 inmates at the Elkhart County Jail and 7 inmates at the Wells County Jail. Last week there were 26 new book-ins and 10 transports to the DOC. The peak population was 89.

Bob Brown, County Assistant EMA Director presented for signatures the annual update of the Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan. The local Emergency Planning Committee has approved the plan. Eppley made a motion to approve the Hazardous Materials Plan. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Steve Downs, County Attorney was present with nothing to report.

Jim Dils, County Coordinator/HR Director presented for one signature a Roann Covered Bridge use agreement for a wedding on September 23, 2017. User agreements have previously been requested or approved for weddings on September 16 and September 30, 2017.

Dils also stated there was a water leak in Memorial Hall over the weekend but the source is still unknown. Most of the damage is located on the west end of the health department. Quality Electric and ProTechs, Inc. will be onsite this morning to assist with the repair and clean-up.

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor presented the accounts payable claims and allowances for docket ending 7/17/2017. The commissioners approved all claims.

Vonell Krom, Roann Covered Bridge Association member presented a check for \$7,500 to pay for fireproofing the Roann Covered Bridge (June 19). The commissioners thanked Mr. Krom and the association for that contribution as well as for other roof and floor repairs.

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Krom also stated some tree debris under the bridge needs to be removed and nearby vegetation needs to be trimmed to improve air flow and visibility of the bridge. The commissioners will look into these concerns.

Ryan Olbin and Scott Shoda with Perry ProTech presented a final financial summary showing the costs and savings for a proposed printer lease and managed print service contract. Wabash County Clerk Elaine Martin and Wabash County Recorder Lori Draper both stated they supported the contract. Eppley made a motion to take the summary and contract under advisement. Haupt seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Monday, July 24, 2017.

Also present: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Mackenzi Klemann, News Journal reporter David Fenker, Wabash County Coroner Suzie Lewis, Wabash County Sheriff's administrative assistant Connie Rich, Wabash County Central Dispatch Director Sandy Beeks, Wabash County Treasurer LuAnn Layman and Louella Krom.