

January 2, 2018

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Tuesday, January 2, 2018. Auditor Marcie Shepherd called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all three commissioners present: Scott E. Givens, Brian K. Hauptert and Barry J. Eppley. Shepherd requested nominations for commissioner chairman. Eppley made a motion to nominate Brian Hauptert as commissioner chairman for 2018. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote. Shepherd then turned the meeting over to chairman Hauptert. Hauptert requested nominations for vice-chairman. Givens made a motion to nominate Barry Eppley as vice-chairman. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the December 18, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Eppley made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent was present with nothing to report.

Keith Walters, County EMA Director was present with nothing to report.

Steve Downs, County Attorney stated Resolution 2017-85-08, which commences the process to transfer a tax sale property to the Wabash County Fair Association, Inc., requires the holding of a public hearing. That hearing has been advertised for January 15, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. (After the meeting, it was discovered that date is a holiday so the public hearing will be held on January 16, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.)

Jim Dils, County Coordinator/HR Director requested approval to sell four used desk chairs and for the commissioners to establish a price. Eppley made a motion to sell the chairs for \$10 each. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Dils also informed the commissioners that the emergency generator at the courthouse failed to start during a scheduled test last week and is currently out-of-service. The company that maintains the county's generators has been asked to assess the problem and make a recommend.

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor presented:

1. Accounts payable and allowances for docket ending 1/2/2018. The commissioners approved all claims.
2. A request from the Wabash County Plan Commission Board that Givens be re-appointed as the commissioner representative for 2018. Eppley made a motion to approve the request. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.

Keith Walters and John Martin requested that the travel advisory be left in place due to the extreme temperatures and blowing snow. The commissioners agreed.

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With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Monday, January 8, 2018.

Also present: The Paper editor Joe Slacian.