

May 29, 2018

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, May 29, 2018. Chairman Brian K. Hauptert called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners present: Hauptert, Barry J. Eppley and Scott E. Givens. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the May 21, 2018 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 presented:

1. A utility permit from GSP Network to install fiber optic cable along the west side of 200 E and the south side of 1400 N to 1590 E. Givens made a motion to approve the permit. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Givens stated he would like to see the permit for this type of work changed to include a shorter completion date and possibly charge a fee.
2. The Annual Operational Report for Local Road and Streets for 2017. Givens made a motion to approve the report. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Martin stated the report is being re-vamped and will be more detailed next year.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 101 inmates with 31 additional housed in the Miami County Jail, 2 in the Blackford County Jail and 7 in the Elkhart County Jail. Last week 24 inmates were transported to other facilities and there were 25 new book-ins. The peak population was 105. Land also stated a jail officer has resigned.

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

Mark Frantz, County Attorney representative was present with nothing to report.

Jim Dils, County Coordinator/HR Director was present with nothing to report.

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor presented the payroll claims and allowances for pay period ending 5/19/2018. The commissioners approved all claims.

With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Monday, June 4, 2018.

Also present: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Kaitlin Gebby, The Paper editor Joe Slacion, Wabash County Coroner Suzie Lewis and Wabash County Recorder Lori Draper.