

December 14, 2015

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, December 14, 2015. 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 Linda Conrad. The minutes of the December 7, 2015 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 NIPSCO to install 1,800 feet of gas main along the west side of 300 E, south of U.S. 24. Approximately 8 bell holes will be dug and boring will occur under 300 E to install a pipeline to an existing customer. Givens made a motion to approve the permit. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. A sales disclosure form related to the purchase of a small parcel from Heartland Career Center for the 200 W improvement project just north of U.S. 24. The amount is \$200. Eppley made a motion to approve and sign the form. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. A request to purchase one additional truck from Stoops Freightliner at the Kosciusko County bid price of \$92,682. (See minutes of November 9, 2015.) The purchase of one truck was approved on December 7, 2015. Givens made a motion to approve the purchase of a second truck. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
4. A request to set January 25, 2016 as the bid date for the 200 W improvement project. The commissioners agreed.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 86 inmates with 32 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail. Last week there were 14 new book-ins and 10 transports to the DOC with a peak population of 87. Currently five are level-six felony inmates. He also:

1. Asked permission to begin looking into the purchase of vehicles for 2016. The current base price is \$23,956 per car plus or minus \$500 for painting.
2. Stated that the current inmate healthcare provider is unable to register eligible inmates with Medicaid or for mental health benefits prior to their release so he likely will be switching providers. Land has been in touch with Quality Correctional Care which could provide these services.

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

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

Linda Conrad, Wabash County Auditor presented:

1. Payroll claims and allowance for pay period ending 12/5/2015.
2. Mediacom will have a change in their line-up effective December 31, 2015.

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Tom Polk, President, Intrasect Technologies presented a revised price for the email security training quote he presented last week. The cost for 120 users was reduced from \$1,800 to \$1,080. The quote remains under advisement.

Givens stated that the commissioners have received the itemized statement requested from Draper Construction, Inc. for renovation of the Community Corrections offices. The bid of \$14,667 was the lowest of the three received on December 7. Givens made a motion to award the project to Draper Construction, Inc. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Eppley made a motion to amend the 2015 Wabash County holiday schedule to include December 31st. Givens 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, December 21, 2015.

Also present were: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Mackenzi Klemann, 105.9 The Bash reporter Tim Arnett, Lori Draper, Wabash County Recorder and Wabash Mayor elect Scott Long.