

## January 4, 2016

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, January 4, 2016. Wabash County Auditor, Linda Conrad called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners present: Brian K. Hauptert, Berry J. Eppley and Scott E. Givens. Conrad requested nominations for commissioner chairman. Hauptert made a motion to nominate Berry Eppley as commissioner chairman for 2016. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote. Conrad turned the meeting over to Eppley. Eppley requested nominations for vice-chairman. Hauptert made a motion to nominate Givens as vice-chairman. Eppley seconded the motion it passed by a 2-0 vote. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Linda Conrad. The minutes of the December 21, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Hauptert 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 stated that on December 14 he requested that January 25th be set as the date to receive bids for the 200 W improvement project, but neglected to set a time. Martin requested the time be set at 9:30 a.m. The commissioners agreed.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 82 inmates with 31 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail. Last week there were 14 new book-ins and 7 transports to the DOC with a peak population of 83. Currently there are 6 pending transports to the DOC and 11 level six inmates housed in Wabash County.

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

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

Linda Conrad, Wabash County Auditor presented:

1. Accounts payable claims and allowance docket for 1/4/2016.
2. A notice from Mediacom for a rate adjustment effective January 18, 2016.
3. A new 911 Central Dispatch contract with the City of Wabash for the 2016 - 2018. Givens made a motion to approve the contract. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Conrad then requested appointments for:

1. Region III-A Board of Directors – Givens made a motion to appoint Brian Hauptert. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.
2. Tax Abatement Committee – Hauptert made a motion to appoint Scott Givens. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.
3. Laketon Area Regional Sewer District Board – Hauptert will ask Claude Markstahler if he is willing to be reappointed.
4. Plan Commission Advisory Board – Hauptert made a motion to appoint Scott Givens. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.

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5. IT Committee – Hauptert made a motion to appoint Mike Howard, Sandy Beeks, Elaine Martin, Tiffany Frank, Bob Land and Lori Draper. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
6. The Alcohol and Beverage Board will meet on January 13<sup>th</sup> and will request an appointment/reappointment at that time.

Commissioner Eppley presented a contract which allows the county to provide GIS layer data to the Town of North Manchester. There will be no fee to the town to receive this data. Hauptert made a motion to approve the contract. 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, January 11, 2016.

Also present were: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Mackenzi Klemann and 105.9 The Bash reporter Tim Arnett.