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The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, September 26, 2016. Chairman Barry J. Eppley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners present: Eppley, Brian K. Haupert and Scott E. Givens. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Linda Conrad. The minutes of the September 19, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Haupert made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Phil Adams, County Highway Supervisor was present with nothing to report.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 87 inmates with 53 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail and 5 inmates at the Elkhart County Jail. Last week there were 11 transports to the DOC and 25 new book-ins. The peak population for last week was 89.

Land stated Chad Bassett and Josh Magnus have been hired as full-time jail officers and Shanna Heater and Jacob Lloyd as part-time jail officers.

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

Elaine Martin, Wabash County Clerk presented for signatures a notice of voting locations for the election on November 8, 2016. Haupert made a motion to approve the notice. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Martin stated early voting will begin on October 12, 2016.

Steve Downs, County Attorney presented an amendment to the contract with the Economic Development Group of Wabash County, Inc. The amendment addresses fee changes in future years: for 2017 two installments of \$38,750, an increase of \$7,500 annually and for 2018 two installments of \$42,500, an additional increase of \$7,500 annually. Haupert made a motion to approve the contract. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

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

Linda Conrad, Wabash County Auditor presented:

1. IDEM notice of public comment for the operating permit for Republic Services of IN LP (landfill).
2. IDEM notice of public comment for a significant revision for Metal Source.

Eppley stated he received a final count of 17 requests for new desk chairs throughout the courthouse. Haupert made a motion to replace 17 office chairs for a total of \$4,561.23. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Eppley noted that an internal transfer would be required to pay for the 17 chairs and that one more may need to be purchased. Haupert made a motion to approve an internal transfer of \$4,850 from Cum Cap Courthouse Sidewalks to Office

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Furniture to allow for the purchase of these chairs. 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, October 3, 2016.

Also present were: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Mackenzi Klemann, News Journal reporter David Purvis-Fenker and United Consulting vice president Steve Jones.