

September 23, 2013

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, September 23, 2013. Chairman Barry J. Eppley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all three members present: Eppley, Brian K. Haupert, and Scott E. Givens. The proceedings of the meeting were recorded by Chief Deputy Auditor B.J. Grube due to the absence of Wabash County Auditor Linda Conrad. The minutes of the September 16, 2013 meeting were reviewed. Givens made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent:

1. Received an INDOT letter regarding the public road approach intersection improvements required for a change in the classification from a private road to a public road in addition to the change in use of the existing Cherry Spring Estates driveway to State Road 15/CR 895 North. A right-of-way permit, bond and/or permit fee waiver were also sent in order to widen the county road entrance in compliance with INDOT specifications. Commissioners' consensus was that an agreement between the County and the landowner, outlining project costs, should be drafted before proceeding with the project. Haupert made a motion to take the project under advisement until an agreement with the landowner could be signed. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Progress meeting for Bridge 645, North Manchester Covered Bridge is scheduled for Thursday, September 26th, 10:00 a.m. at the job-site trailer.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff:

1. Introduced Wabash County High School senior, Lacey Johnson who will be "job shadowing" in the Sheriff's Department throughout the day.
2. Reported the Wabash County jail has 88 inmates with 13 inmates at the Miami County jail. During the past week, the peak population was 89 with 23 bookings and 6 transports.
3. Reported that installation of the emergency generator has begun.

Bob Brown, EMA and Central Dispatch Director: Present with no report.

Steve Downs, County Attorney: Present with no report.

Jim Dils, County Coordinator requested approval of a three-year renewal agreement (10/1/13 thru 09/30/16) for the test/inspection of the fire alarm system for both the judicial center and the courthouse with Simplex-Grinnell. The annual cost will be \$1,645.00. Haupert made a motion to approve the renewal. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

B.J. Grube, Chief Deputy Auditor, substituting for Auditor Linda Conrad who was attending the AIC conference, submitted payroll claims for period ending 9/14/13 for approval. Commissioners approved.

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Stan Bagley, President of the Laketon Area Regional Sewer District updated the Commissioners on the progress of the regional sewer district. He stated that the district is applying for right-of-way system permits. They have tentatively closed all right-of-way easements and should soon have their own district operating funds. He thanked the Commissioners for their support and they extended their appreciation to Mr. Bagley for all of his work.

Commissioners reviewed/approved: IDEM notice of approval of the significant source modification to the existing operating permit for Manchester Metals, LLC.

Also present: Joe Slacian and Nick Van Heest, Wabash Plain Dealer reporters.

With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners the meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is Monday, September 30, 2013 in the Commissioners' room on the second floor of the Wabash County Courthouse.