

June 29, 2015

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, June 29, 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 June 22, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Givens made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent presented:

1. A utility permit from NIPSCO to install gas service to 11457 N. Ogden Road. A bore hole will be drilled to connect the gas main. Givens made a motion to approve the permit. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Two letters of understanding from INDOT for unofficial detours on SR 13 in March 2016. (It is believed both road closures will occur at the same time.)
 - Replace a small structure over Staver Ditch. The detour will be east on 800 N, north on 100 E and west on 850 N.
 - Replace a small structure over Miller Ditch. The detour will be east on 1000 N, north on 175 E and west on 1100 N. Givens made a motion to approve both letters of understanding. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. An email was sent to INDOT in response to their request to close the intersection of 150 W and SR 124 and install a cul-de-sac at the end of 150 W. The commissioners stated they do not agree with INDOT' closing the intersection.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 93 inmates with 11 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail. Last week there were 12 transports and 18 book-ins. The peak population was 86.

Land stated he received a request from DOC requesting the number of level 6 prisoners (currently 31). He assumes they may be trying to determine where to house prisoners next January.

Land also stated people are driving around the high water barricades then need to be pulled out. He asked the media to get the word out not to drive around barricades or through standing water. The Salamonie Reservoir is at the highest elevation level ever...793.7 ft.

Bob Brown, assistant EMA director, presented a Disaster Emergency Declaration for severe flooding renewal. The declaration positions the county for possible financial assistance from FEMA should total damage levels meet their criteria. Wabash County has already met those levels. Givens made a motion to approve and sign the declaration. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

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

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Linda Conrad, Wabash County Auditor presented the payroll claims and allowances for the pay ending 6/20/2015.

Mark Lime, Intrasect Technologies, LLC presented a proposal to begin installing one central Wi-Fi network in the judicial center which would eventually include all offices and provide a separate secure access for visitors. The quote to install phase one, which will give access to Circuit Court and Probation, is \$4,342.29. However, the remaining one or two phases will not be as costly. Eppley made a motion to approve the proposal with funding to come from Cumulative Capital Development. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Beverly Ferry, Living Well in Wabash County COA, Inc. requested a 10% increase in the county's allocation for the Wabash County Transit in 2016. The requested increase is from \$25,000 to \$27,500.

Commissioner Eppley made a motion to pay for the CASA county match out of the CEDIT fund. 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, July 6, 2015.

Also present were: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Mackenzi Klemann, 105.9 The Bash reporter Tim Arnett, and The Paper editor Joe Slacian.