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The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, January 11, 2016. Chairman Eppley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners present: Brian K. Hauptert, Barry J. Eppley and Scott E. Givens. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Linda Conrad. The minutes of the January 4, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Givens made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, Wabash County Highway Superintendent presented:

1. Notice to bidders for 200 W roadway re-construction and a cover letter for the 200 W road construction plans to be signed. Givens made a motion to approve and sign both documents. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. A supplemental construction and inspection agreement with Butler, Fairman & Seufert for Bridge 118 (75 E over Burr Creek) for approval and signatures. The agreement for inspection is not to exceed \$25,000. Givens made a motion to approve the agreement. Hauptert seconded the agreement; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Martin stated he had received notice from the State that they are disputing a claim on the North Manchester Covered Bridge project. The State is claiming that \$2,586.20 was paid on the project but that amount was for a different project. Martin is looking into the matter.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 82 inmates with 40 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail. Last week there were 12 new book-ins and 7 transports to the DOC with a peak population of 84. Currently there are 2 pending transports to the DOC.

Land requested permission to:

1. Lease three new vehicles for the department for a total of \$71,762.
2. Purchase a 4x4 vehicle for the sheriff's department and the drug task force. The cost would be \$25,718. With approval from the commissioners, Land will ask the council for the purchase with an additional appropriation from Public Safety. Hauptert made a motion to approve both requests. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Land also stated he will be switching medical providers for inmates. He should have the agreement prior to the next council meeting and will bring it before the commissioners prior to that meeting. He also introduced Ryan Arwood as an intern at the sheriff's department.

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

Greg Harnish, maintenance supervisor requested approval of a quote from Havel to replace piping on the courthouse/judicial center boiler system, replace damper

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actuators on the cooling tower and three way boiler valve and install temperature controls on the boilers for a total of \$9,895. Hauptert made a motion to approve the quoted repairs. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Linda Conrad, Wabash County Auditor presented payroll claims and allowances for pay period ending 1/2/2016.

With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 due to the Martin Luther King holiday.

Also present were: Toby Steffen with Butler Fairman and Seufert, Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Mackenzi Klemann and 105.9 The Bash reporter Tim Arnett.