

February 22, 2016

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, February 22, 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 February 15, 2016 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 presented legal documents which would grant temporary right-of-way access for the removal of an abandoned railroad viaduct across 700 W. The commissioners asked Wabash County attorney Steve Downs to review the documents.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 79 inmates with 33 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail. Last week there were 22 book-ins and 8 transports to the DOC with a peak population of 79. Currently there are 22 inmates serving sentences in Wabash County.

Land also stated one new leased Dodge Charger has been received and he is awaiting delivery of two additional Chargers. Tonight he will ask the Wabash County Council for an additional appropriation of funds to replace a pickup truck for the Drug Task Force.

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

Steve Downs, County Attorney was present with nothing to report.

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

Linda Conrad, Wabash County Auditor presented payroll claims and allowances for pay period ending 2/13/16 and a Hearing Notice for an Unsafe Building at 1344 Middle Street in Wabash. The hearing will be held on March 2, 2016 at 4 p.m. in Wabash City Hall.

With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Monday, February 29, 2016.

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