

April 4, 2016

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, April 4, 2016. Chairman Barry J. Eppley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners present: Eppley, Brian K. Hauptert and Scott E. Givens. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Linda Conrad. The minutes of the March 28, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Hauptert made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent presented a road-cut permit from Ahlfield Farms to install a private tile across 250 N. Givens made a motion to approve the permit. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 84 inmates with 42 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail. Last week there were 7 transports to DOC and 34 new book-ins. The peak population was 84.

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:

1. Accounts payable claims and allowance docket for 4/4/2016.
2. Payroll claims and allowance for pay ending 3/26/2016
3. IDEM Notice – Approval for construction of sanitary sewer system in the City of Wabash.
4. Notice of unsafe building hearings at City Hall on May 5, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. for two properties located at 494 Miami Street and 1570 Webster Street.

Paul Hayden with Indiana Landmarks requested 150 days to locate a potential investor for the old Wabash County Jail. Hayden stated that at the end of 90 days he would report back to the commissioners and let them know if Indiana Landmarks has received any viable response(s). At that time, the commissioners will decide whether to grant Indiana Landmarks an additional 60 days. The commissioners agreed to the request.

The meeting was recessed until 9:30 a.m. for the opening of bids, as advertised, for the demolition of the abandoned railroad bridge over 700 W.

At 9:30 a.m. the meeting was reconvened. Hauptert made a motion accept the bids received for demolition of an abandoned bridge over 700 W and to close the bids. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. The following bids were received and opened:

Brainard Excavating, Inc.

Wabash, IN

\$127,350.00

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Complete Demolition Services, Inc.	Louisville, KY	\$284,220.00
Yardberry Landscape Co.	Anderson, IN	\$363,723.00
K Graber Construction LLC	Amboy, IN	\$284,185.00
Smith Excavating LLC	Peru, IN	\$116,000.00
Troy Eads Excavating LLC	Lagro, IN	\$138,140.00
Pioneer Associates, Inc.	Albion, IN	\$248,037.50
Primco, Inc.	Fort Wayne, IN	\$313,559.82
LaPorte Construction Co. Inc.	LaPorte, IN	\$256,778.00

Hauptert made a motion to take the bids under advisement. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by 3-0 vote.

The meeting was recessed until 9:45 a.m. for the opening of bids, as advertised, for the sale of a 2007 Dodge Charger by the Wabash County Sheriff's Department.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:45 a.m. Givens made a motion accept the bids received and to close the bids. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. The following bids were received and opened:

Cherish Leming	\$987.00
Chip Cly	\$1,600.00

Hauptert made a motion to take the bids under advisement. 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, April 11, 2016.

Also present were: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Mackenzi Klemann, 105.9 The Bash reporter Tim Arnett, News Journal reporter Amanda Bridgman, Mike Beauchamp, Parker Beauchamp, Scott Smith and Dennis and Joy Groninger. Several unidentified construction bidders were also present.