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The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, April 18, 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 April 11, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Haupert made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Eppley stated that last week the commissioners promised to make a statement that they are neither a common law court nor common law justices. Givens made a motion stating that the commissioners are neither a common law court nor are they common law justices. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent presented:

1. Utility permit from Frontier Communications to bore under 100 E at 13260 N to repair service.
2. Utility permit from Frontier Communications to bore under Mill Creek Estate at 4161 S to provide new service.
3. Permit from NIPSCO to install gas service to 648 E 1100 N. Three bell holes will be dug on the north side of 1100 N and approximately 300' of 4" gas main will be installed.

Givens made a motion to approve all three permits. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Martin also presented the Annual Operational Report for Local Road and Streets for 2015 for approval and signatures. Givens made a motion to approve the report. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Martin recommended accepting the low salt bid from Cargill, Inc. of \$78.34 per ton with a total bid price \$125,344. Haupert made a motion to approve the Cargill, Inc. bid for the 2016/2017 winter season. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Martin gave an update on Bridge 510 on Harrison Avenue over Charley Creek. The guardrail was installed last week. Asphalt was milled for resurfacing the transition to the new bridge approaches. Paving should occur at the end of this week.

Eppley stated that the process needs to be started to regulate the travel of trucks around a detour on State Road 13 near North Manchester. Martin will contact County Attorney Steve Downs to prepare and ordinance.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 88 inmates with 36 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail. Last week there were 12 transports to the DOC and 19 new book-ins. The peak population

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was 85. Currently there are 25 inmates servicing sentences in the Wabash County Jail.

Land stated a final meeting is scheduled with DLZ concerning a jail study. Participating in the meeting will be the judges, the prosecutor and the probation department. DLZ has asked for the combined daily population. Last week the combined daily population was 121.5.

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

Jim Dils, County Coordinator/HR Director presented a signed license agreement from Henry Becker requesting permission to use the Roann Covered Bridge for a graduation event on June 4, 2016. Hauptert made a motion to approve the request. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. The commissioners signed the agreement.

Linda Conrad Wabash County Auditor presented:

1. Accounts payable claims and allowance docket for 4/18/2016
2. Payroll claims and allowance for pay period ending 4/9/2016
3. IDEM Approval – relocation of Brooks Construction Company.
4. Robert Rensberger requested permission to use the courthouse lawn for the National Day of Prayer on May 5, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. The commissioners approved the request.

Douglas Allen Dyson stated he has two or three pieces of business. First he asked who is the county's liability insurance carrier? Jim Dils stated it is Cincinnati Insurance.

Dyson then stated he has a claim in regards to the actions of (Wabash County Clerk) Elaine Martin for submittal to the insurance company and then passed out copies of documents to the commissioners and the auditor. He stated the damages are on the back and on page 3. He asked that it be submitted to the county's insurance carrier.

Dyson then passed out a proposed order to the commissioners and auditor regarding the land patent property, the Federal land patent of 91' and 137 known as the Celotex property. He asked the commissioners if they are aware it is under land patent?

Givens responded that he thinks that's federal and has nothing to do with the county.

Dyson replied, right, it doesn't but I've been involved in that case and I wanted to leave this with you and put you guys on notice. This is a proposed order from Mr. Junk deputy with the Attorney General's office. You may also want to notify your carrier on this too. This is a proposed order; two weeks ago there was a hearing so he's made a proposed order here. Of course if it's signed, he wants me to be

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held jointly. Well on number 16 it reads, "For violation of the court's order, this court fines Douglas Alan Dyson, Jeffrey Douglas Dyson and Dyson Brothers Property, LLC, jointly and severally, \$18,356 dollars." I think you guys are fully aware I don't own it, I have never owned it. I've never had any character control or custody of that property and if this is signed, I want to make you guys aware I will be filing more claims with the county. He even asked in here jail time, on number 18. "In the alternative, if crops have been planted on the landfill area in 2016 and in the violation of this court's order, further sanctions will be imposed, including jail time." So, I want to make you guys aware, you may want to notify your carrier also, that if I'm jailed, I don't own it, I've never owned it, I've never had any character custody of it, but let them know that I will be filing a claim too.

With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Monday, April 25, 2016.

Also present were: Plain Dealer reporter Mackenzi Klemann, 105.9 The Bash reporter Tim Arnett, News Journal reporter Amanda Bridgman, Jeffrey Donald Dyson, Mike Jefferson, Christopher Scott and John Dyson.