

May 31, 2016

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Tuesday, May 31, 2016. Chairman Barry J. Eppley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners present: Eppley, Scott E. Givens and Brian K. Hauptert. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Deputy Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the May 23, 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 requested permission to obtain quotes for the repair of a drainage structure on 100 W that was damaged during the spring flooding. The commissioners granted permission.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 83 inmates with 57 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail. Last week there were 21 transports to the DOC and 31 new book-ins. The peak population was 89.

Land stated that effective June 5th he will be short two merit officers (two are leaving for other employment). The process for hiring two new officers has begun.

Keith Walters, County EMA Director requested permission to seek grant funding from the State to replace the Windows XP identification card making system with a Windows 10 compatible system. Walters stated if he is not able to secure the funds he will not continue with the project. The commissioners gave their consent to proceed.

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

Jim Dils, County Coordinator/HR Director stated the new x-ray package scanning machine has been installed and is being used in the Judicial Center. Staff training still needs to be conducted on some of the enhanced features.

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Deputy Auditor presented:

1. IDEM notice of air quality permit for Bulldog Battery Corporation.
2. IDEM notice of public comment regarding permit modification for Manchester Metals.
3. Payroll claims and allowances for pay period ending 5/21/2016.

Eppley stated that a commissioner needs to be appointed to the Internal Controls Committee. Hauptert made a motion to appoint Barry Eppley. 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, June 6, 2016.

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