

July 11, 2016

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, July 11, 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 July 5, 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, County Highway Superintendent presented:

1. Utility permit from NIPSCO to install service at 9757 N 300 E by boring under 300 E. Givens made a motion to approve the permit. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Road cut permit from Indiana Irrigation to place an irrigation line under 500 E between 800 S and 850 S. 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 87 inmates with 40 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail and 6 inmates housed in the Elkhart County Jail. Last week there were 9 transports to the DOC and 29 new book-ins. The peak population was 86.

Land stated that applicant testing has been completed for the two open positions of merit officer. The interview process will begin on July 11, 2016.

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

Elaine Martin, Wabash County Clerk presented a contract with Chase Bank for signatures (discussed June 20, 2016). The contract is to implement a system which will permit the electronic filing of documents with the clerk's office. Hauptert made a motion to approve the contract. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Steve Downs, County Attorney presented Ordinance 2016-04-85 amending the Rainy Day Fund. Hauptert made a motion to approve the ordinance. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Hauptert made a motion to suspend the rules and proceed to second reading. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by 3-0 vote. Givens made a motion to approve the ordinance on second reading. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

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

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Deputy Auditor presented:

1. Payroll claims and allowance for pay period ending 7/2/2016. The commissioners approved the claims.
2. IDEM notice for Manchester Metals, LLC – notice of approval.

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With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Monday July 18, 2016.

Also present were: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Mackenzi Klemann, 105.9 The Bash reporter Jacob Terrell, News-Journal reporter David Purvis-Fenker, Wabash County Recorder Lori Draper and Greg Harnish.