

**July 25, 2016**

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, July 25, 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. Haupert. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Linda Conrad. The minutes of the July 18, 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.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent was present with nothing to report.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 83 inmates with 48 additional housed in the Miami County Jail and 6 in the Elkhart County Jail. Last week there were no transports to the DOC but there 18 new book-ins. The peak population was 94.

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

Keith Walters, County Health Board President requested permission to present to County Council an additional appropriation request of \$11,750, for the purchase of Environmental Health Data Management software. Jennifer Scott, Environmental Health Specialist stated the EHDM will allow remote access and tracking of both environmental food and septic data. There will be an annual maintenance fee of \$3,500 which has been included in the 2017 budget. Haupert made a motion to proceed to council with the request. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Mike Howard, County Plan Commission Director requested, on behalf of the Wesleyan District Church, approval to vacate a portion of Mill Street in Laketon. The vacation is needed for the church to renovate their restrooms to make them ADA compliant.

Evert Brubaker, an adjoining property owner, expressed concern that the vacation could block access to a portion of his property. After some discussion between church representative Greg Caughell and Brubaker, his concerns were resolved. Givens made a motion to approve vacation of a portion of Mill Street in Laketon. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

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

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

Beverly Ferry, Chief Executive Officer Living Well in Wabash County COA, Inc. presented the 2016 second quarter invoice for the 5311 Public Transportation grant. The commissioners approved the invoice.

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Linda Conrad, Wabash County Auditor presented:

1. The payroll claims and allowance for pay ending 7/16/2016.
2. IDEM notice for Metal Source, LLC for an air permit application.
3. IDEM notice for Metal Source, LLC for approval for an air permit application.
4. IDEM notice for the City of Wabash for a Sanitary Sewer permit application.
5. IDEM notice for Manchester Metals LLC for approval
6. IDEM notice for Matthew and Elizabeth Whitesel for a building modification for a CAFO applications.

With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Monday, August 1, 2016.

Also present were: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Mackenzi Klemann, News Journal reporter David Purvis-Fenker and Wabash County health department employees Stephanie Shepherd and Rich Mofield.