

November 14, 2016

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, November 14, 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 November 7, 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 presented two utility permits:

1. Frontier Communications - bore under 200 E to run new service to 12427 N 200 E.
2. NIPSCO - install 390' of 3" plastic main along the south side of 1100 N going east approximately 900' east of 300 E.

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

Martin requested permission to present an additional appropriation to county council for liability insurance in the amount of \$31,000. The commissioners approved the request.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 89 inmates with 55 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail and 4 inmates at the Elkhart County Jail. The peak population for last week was 88. There were 7 transports to the DOC and 22 new book-ins.

Land requested permission to present an additional appropriation to county council for inmate transfer for \$100,000. The original amount requested was \$92,000 (October 17, 2016). The commissioners approved the amended request.

Keith Walters, County EMA Director presented a three-year contract for the CodeRed Mass Notification system for a total cost of \$28,500. After some discussion, it was decided Walters should contact the company to find out if the amount could be lowered by reducing the number of minutes.

Walters requested approval to present to council an additional appropriation for the health department for a new temperature alert monitor for the refrigerator/freezer units used to store vaccine. Funds will come from the SPHI grant for total cost of \$1,720.40. The commissioners agreed to the request.

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. IDEM notice Wabash Valley Landfill – Notice of approval part 70 operating permit renewal.

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2. Payroll claims and allowance for pay period ending 11/5/2016. The commissioners approved the claims.
3. Requested permission to take to county council a transfer request from Professional Services to PERF to complete the year. Givens made a motion to approve the request. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Keith Gillenwater, President and CEO, EDG of Wabash County requested \$6,000 from CEDIT to upgrade computer software and to purchase two laptops and a tablet for his office. The commissioners stated if the total is less than \$6,000 the difference should remain in CEDIT. Gillenwater agreed. Hauptert made a motion to approve the request to pay up to \$6,000 from CEDIT. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Eppley stated he had received an amendment to the Purdue Extension Contractual Services contract. The amendment amount for 2017 is \$107,340. Givens made a motion to approve the amendment. Hauptert 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, November 21, 2016.

Also present were: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Mackenzi Klemann, News Journal reporter David Fenker, and County Plan Director Mike Howard.