

**January 9, 2017**

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, January 9, 2017. Commissioner Scott E. Givens called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners present: Givens, Barry J. Eppley and Brian K. Hauptert. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the January 3, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Hauptert made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent presented a utility permit from Frontier Communications to bore under 175 E and (cable) plow 150' along the right-of-way to restore service to 11360 N 175 E. Hauptert made a motion to approve the permit. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 85 inmates with 48 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail and 7 inmates at the Elkhart County Jail. Last week there were 17 new book-ins and 16 transports to the DOC with a peak population of 87.

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

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

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

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor presented payroll claims and allowances for pay ending December 31, 2016. The commissioners approved the claims.

Old business: Laketon Area Regional Sewer District board appointment. It was discussed and determined to be a council appointment. (January 3, 2017)

New business: 2017 Region 3-A board appointment. Eppley made a motion to appoint Brian K. Hauptert to the board. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Sandy Beeks, Wabash County Central Dispatch Director stated she has received the annual contract from Frontier Communications. Beeks stated a copy was sent to Downs. Downs stated he has not yet reviewed the contract. Approval of the contract was tabled pending a review by Downs.

With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Tuesday, January 16, 2017.

Also present: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Mackenzi Klemann and News Journal reporter David Fenker.

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Review Items: IDEM Notice: Air Quality permit – Parkview Wabash Hospital  
Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission – 11/09/2016 minutes and 1/11/2017 agenda.