## March 27, 2017

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, March 27, 2017. Chairman Scott E. Givens called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners present: Givens, Barry J. Eppley and Brian K. Haupert. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the March 20, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Haupert 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:

- 1. Presented a Statement of the Basis of Just Compensation for four parcels needed for the Bridge 118 project. Two parcels are for the right-of-way and two are for temporary right-of-ways that will be needed during construction. Bridge 118 is on 75 E over Burr Creek.
- 2. Requested permission to receive salt bids on April 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. for up to 1,600 tons. The bids are for the 2017/2018 winter season. The commissioners agreed.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 86 inmates with 54 inmates housed at the Miami County Jail, 5 inmates at the Elkhart County Jail and 2 inmates at the Wells County Jail.

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

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

Jim Dils, County Coordinator/HR Director requested permission for Julie Hobbs, local director for the Indiana Department of Child Services, to hold a vigil on the courthouse lawn to raise awareness about child abuse and neglect. The vigil will be held the last week in April but the exact date has not been determined. The commissioners agreed to the request.

Dils also stated all county property, which the commissioners determined should be retained, has been removed from the old Wabash County Jail.

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor was present with nothing to report.

With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Monday, April 3, 2017.

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