

October 10, 2017

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Tuesday, October 10, 2017. Vice Chairman Brian K. Hauptert called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with two commissioners present: Hauptert and Barry J. Eppley. Chairman Scott E. Givens was not present. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the October 2, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Eppley made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent presented:

1. A utility permit from NIPSCO to connect gas service to 1260 W 400 S. One bell hole will be dug in the north right-of-way of 400 S. Eppley made a motion to approve the permit. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.
2. A resolution and agreement to sell a 2003 GMC truck to the City of Wabash. The truck is a single-axle dump truck. Martin contacted three dealers to determine an appropriate value for the truck. The City of Wabash has agreed to pay \$3,000 for the vehicle. Eppley made a motion to approve the resolution. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail is currently housing 87 inmates with 51 inmates being housed at the Miami County Jail, 4 inmates at the Elkhart County Jail and 5 inmates at the Blackford County Jail. Last week there were 24 new book-ins and 6 transports to the DOC. The peak population last week was 87.

Steve Downs, County Attorney presented Resolution 2017-85-06 agreeing to deploy the statewide court case management system (Odyssey) to the Wabash County courts and clerk offices. (Oct. 2, 2017) Eppley made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-85-06. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote. Downs stated a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) will also need to be signed at a later date.

Jim Dils, Wabash County Coordinator/HR Director presented belatedly an agreement to use the Roann Covered Bridge for a wedding on Saturday, October 7, 2017. The request was made at the last minute only because of the threat of rain. The use agreement was completed by the licensees and returned on October 5, 2017. Eppley made a motion to approve the request. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.

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, October 16, 2017.

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Also present: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Josh Sigler and The Paper editor Joe Slacian.