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The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, March 26, 2018. Vice Chairman Barry J. Eppley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with two commissioners present: Eppley and Scott E. Givens. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the March 19, 2018 meeting were reviewed. Givens made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.

Ordinance 2018-85-01 was presented for approval and signatures.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-85- 01

**AN ORDINANCE DIRECTING THAT INTEREST EARNED ON INVESTMENTS ON MONEY
IN FUNDS RELATED TO DRAIN MAINTENANCE BE CREDITED TO THE COUNTY'S
GENERAL DRAIN IMPROVEMENT FUND**

The County Treasurer maintains the following funds related to drain maintenance: (a) the General Drain Improvement Fund (#1158), (b) the Drain Construction/Reconstruction Fund (#2600), and (c) the Drain Maintenance Fund (#2700).

Under I.C. 36-9-27-113, for purposes of investment, the County Treasurer may consolidate part or all of the money in any fund established under I.C. 36-9-27 with the money in any other fund established under I.C. 36-9-27, or other money held by the County Treasurer.

The Commissioners believe it would be in the best interests of the County if the Country Treasurer were to credit to the General Drain Improvement Fund (#1158) all interest earned on investments on money in the Construction/Reconstruction Fund (#2600) and in the Drain Maintenance Fund (#2700).

The Commissioners also believe it would be in the best interests of the County if the Country Treasurer were to credit to the General Drain Improvement Fund (#1158) all interest earned on investments on money in that Fund.

IT IS NOW ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Wabash County Treasurer shall credit the General Drain Improvement Fund (#1158) with all interest earned on investments on monies in the Construction/Reconstruction Fund (#2600) and in the Drain Maintenance Fund (#2700).

2. The Wabash County Treasurer shall credit the General Drain Improvement Fund (#1158) with all interest earned on that Fund.

Adopted this 26 day of March, 2018.

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Givens made a motion to approve Ordinance 2018-85-01. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote. Givens made a motion to suspend the rules and proceed to a second reading. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.

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Givens made a motion to approve Ordinance 2018-85-01 on second reading. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent presented:

1. A request from the Metropolitan School District to repair a bus turn-around located at 6580 E 500 S. Givens made a motion to approve the request. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.
2. A resolution and agreement to exchange/sell equipment to the City of Wabash street department. The City of Wabash would like to buy a 2003 GMC Dump truck the county is replacing for the sum of \$8,500. Givens made a motion to approve the request. Eppley seconded the request; it passed by a 2-0 vote.

Martin stated the inspection report for Bridge 144 (over Grant Creek) shows no damage to the bridge but there will need to be extensive repairs to the approach, end bents and spill slopes. The estimated repair cost is \$234,000. The commissioners gave approval to proceed with the repairs.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 93 inmates with 35 inmates housed in the Miami County Jail and 4 in the Blackford County Jail. Last week there were 25 book-ins and 13 transports to other facilities.

Land stated the heating and air conditioning unit which services the jail kitchen is not working. He noted it was installed in the late 1970s and has had numerous repairs. In addition to the mechanical problem, it has a freon leak at an unknown location and that type of refrigerant required for this unit has become very expensive. A repair quote from Wohlford Heating and Refrigeration is \$9,905 but does not include repairing the freon leak. A quote from Quality Electric to replace the 15 ton electric unit with a 15 ton gas unit is \$27,510. After some discussions, it was decided that due to the age of the equipment it would be best to replace it. Givens made a motion to replace the unit for \$27,510 to be paid from Courthouse Complex-Jail Facility. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.

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 was present with nothing to report.

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

Eppley made a motion to sell several printers and monitors to the public. They will be sold as follows: \$30 for color printers, \$25 for B&W printers, \$10 for 19" monitors and \$2 for miscellaneous items. Anyone interested in any of these items

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should contact the auditor's office. They will be available for two weeks. Any items which remain on April 9th will be disposed of by the Wabash County Solid Waste Management District. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote.

With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Monday, April 2, 2018.

Also present: News Journal reporter David Fenker, Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Andrew Maciejewski, Wabash County Council Chairman Randy Curless, Wabash County Treasurer LuAnn Layman, County Central Dispatch Director Sandy Beeks, Greg Harnish, Tyler Guenin and Derek Leckrone.