

**April 9, 2018**

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, April 9, 2018. Chairman Brian K. Hauptert called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners present: Hauptert, Barry J. Eppley and Scott E. Givens. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the April 2, 2018 meeting were reviewed. Eppley made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, Wabash County Highway Superintendent presented a utility permit from NIPSCO to install gas service to 272 W 950 N, North Manchester. Two bell holes will be dug. Eppley made a motion to approve the request. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 94 inmates with 45 inmates housed in the Miami County Jail, 4 in the Blackford County Jail and 2 in the Elkhart County Jail. Last week there were 17 book-ins and 27 transports to other facilities. The peak population last was 100.

Land stated he has received two revised quotes for the transport van which now include a trade-in: Dorais \$24,251 and Shepherd's \$24,529. These amounts do not include the insert. (April 2, 2018).

Land provided pricing for two Dodge Chargers (\$25,317 and \$24,887) and one Dodge Ram pickup truck (\$26,534). These vehicles will be on the lease program. Givens made a motion to approve the three vehicle lease. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 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 presented absent voter board compensation agreements for signatures. (March 5, 2018). Eppley made a motion to approve the agreements. Givens 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, April 16, 2018.

Also present: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Andrew Maciejewski, Wabash County Council Chairman Randy Curless, Wabash County Central Dispatch Director Sandy Beeks and Wabash County Sheriff Major Tyler Guenin.