

April 16, 2018

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, April 16, 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 9, 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:

1. A utility permit from NIPSCO to install a new driveway into the sub-station on 200 W. Givens made a motion to approve the request. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. A request from the Metropolitan School District to provide additional stone on a bus turn-around at 3220 E 400 S, Wabash. Givens made a motion to approve the request. Eppley second the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. A request to purchase a 2018 GMC pickup from Dorias Chevrolet for \$41,611. The previous truck was deemed a total loss after being struck while parked on a Wabash City street (January 16, 2018).

Martin stated that the Bridge 118 on 75 E (over Burr Creek) was opened to traffic on Friday, April 13, 2018. Minor work still needs to be completed.

Tyler Guenin, Wabash County Sheriff Major reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 93 inmates with 42 inmates housed in the Miami County Jail, 4 in the Blackford County Jail and 2 in the Elkhart County Jail. Last week there were 18 book-ins and 30 transports to other facilities. The peak population last was 94.

Mark Frantz, County Attorney representative was present with nothing to report.

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

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor presented:

1. Accounts payable claims and allowance docket for 4/16/2018.
2. Payroll claims and allowances for pay period ending 4/7/2018.

The commissioners approved all claims.

The meeting was held in recess until the designated time for opening bids.

At 9:30 a.m. the meeting was reconvened to open the 2019 salt bids. Givens made a motion to close the bids. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. The following bids were received:

Cargill	1,600 ton rock salt	\$128,336
Detroit Salt Co.	1,600 ton rock salt	\$135,472
Morton Salt, Inc.	1,600 ton rock salt	\$152,352

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Compass Minerals International 1,600 ton rock salt \$147,712

Givens made a motion to take the bids under advisement. Eppley 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 23, 2018.

Also present: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Andrew Maciejewski, News Journal reporter David Fenker, Wabash County Council Chairman Randy Curless and County Plan Director Mike Howard.