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The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Tuesday, September 4, 2018. Chairman Brian K. Hauptert called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners present: Hauptert, Scott E. Givens and Barry J. Eppley. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the August 27, 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, County Highway Superintendent presented a utility permit from Frontier Communications to bore under 180 N to provide service to 9930 N 180 E. Givens made a motion to approve the permit. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Martin stated the 2018 IACC Annual Conference registration is due and asked who will be attending. All three commissioners stated they will attend and asked that Jeff Dawes be contacted and invited to register since he is unopposed in the upcoming general election.

Martin also stated that 46 miles of chip seal have been completed.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 96 inmates with 45 inmates housed in the Miami County Jail, 6 in the Elkhart County Jail and 3 in the Blackford County Jail. Last week there were 14 new book-ins and 11 transports to other facilities. The peak population was 99.

Land requested five new radios be purchased from J & K Communications for the quoted amount of \$13,268.50. Eppley made a motion to approve the request for \$13,268.50 to be paid from courthouse complex – jail facility. Givens seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Land stated his department has been awarded a grant for seven new car computers and printers. The funds will not be disbursed until October.

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

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

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor presented:

1. Accounts payable claims and allowances for docket ending 9/4/2018.
2. Payroll claims and allowance for pay period ending 8/25/2018.

The commissioners approved all claims.

Sandy Beeks, Wabash County Central Dispatch Director presented a contract for professional services from Ritter Strategic Services LLC. These services will assist with the closing of the North Manchester Dispatch Center and its transition to the Wabash County Central Dispatch Center. The contract is for \$8,400. Eppley

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made a motion to approve the contract. 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, September 10, 2018.

Also present: The Paper editor Joe Slacian and Wabash County Sheriff-Elect Ryan Baker.