

November 19, 2018

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, November 19, 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 November 13, 2018 meeting were reviewed. Eppley made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Givens seconded the motion; it passed with a 3-0 vote.

Bob Land, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 107 inmates with 36 inmates housed in the Miami County Jail and 10 in the Elkhart County Jail. Last week there were 18 book-ins and 15 transports to other facilities. The peak population last week was 107.

Steve Downs, County Attorney was present with nothing to report.

Keith Walters, County EMA Director 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. A utility permit from NIPSCO to install a new regulator on the south side of Wabash Road and also to bury a 400' 4" plastic line along the south side of the road which will require a bore under Wabash Road and another 50' along the north side to make the connections. Givens made a motion to approve the permit. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. A request to set a date to open bids on December 17, 2018 for Bridge 151 on 1200 S (over Cart Creek). Givens made a motion to approve the request. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. A request for permission to change the date for opening the county highway department's 2019 supplies and materials bids to December 10, 2018. The original date was December 3 but due to a publishing error the date needed to be postponed. The commissioners agreed to the change.
4. The accounts payable claims and allowances for docket ending 11/19/2018. The commissioners approved all claims.
5. A request to re-appoint Brady Burgess and Carrie Vineyard to the Visit Wabash County Tourism Board. Mr. Burgess has been nominated to serve as board president for 2019 and Ms. Vineyard as board treasurer. These board positions will be voted upon on December 20, 2018. Eppley made a motion to re-appoint Brady Burgess and Carrie Vineyard to the Visit Wabash County Tourism Board. 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, November 26, 2018.

Also present: Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Andrew Christman and Central Dispatch Director Sandy Beeks.