

April 15, 2019

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, April 15, 2019. Chairman Barry J. Eppley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all three commissioners present: Eppley, Jeff D. Dawes and Brian K. Hauptert. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the April 8, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Dawes made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Karen Springer, Judge Pro Tempore presented two quotes for painting the Superior Court judge's chambers. She feels it is needed before the new judge takes office. She presented two similar quotes. Hauptert made a motion to approve the quote from Dave's Painting for \$775. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. The quote includes paint and labor but the furniture will need to be moved away from the walls.

Dean Stouffer, a Lighthouse Mission board member, requested the commissioners be the lead applicant to Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA) for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The Mission is trying to receive funding to purchase a larger building for the thrift store. The commissioners agreed to be the lead applicant.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent presented:

1. A request from the Metropolitan School District to repair a bus turn-around at 616 E 350 S. Hauptert made a motion to approve the request. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. A road-cut permit from Andrew Bolinger to run a tile across 800 N, 2,500 ft. west of State Road 13. Hauptert made a motion to approve the permit. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. A request to attend the Indiana Association of County Highway Engineers and Supervisors Conference in Indianapolis on June 5 & 6, 2019. The commissioners approved the request.
4. An estimate to repair the sprinkler system at the Roann Covered Bridge. It has several leaks in the main piping that supplies water to the sprinkler heads. Shambaugh and Son LP Fire Protection Services estimated the repair cost to be \$8,900. Martin asked permission to present an additional appropriation request to the Wabash County Council. Hauptert made a motion to approve the request. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Tyler Guenin, Wabash County Chief Deputy Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 121 inmates with 54 inmates housed in the Miami County Jail and 11 in the Elkhart County Jail. Last week there were 29 book-ins and 13 transports to other facilities. The peak population last week was 117. The total prisoner count was 179.

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

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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. A request for the county to become a member of Sourcewell which will allow the county to purchase office supplies at a discounted price. There would be no cost to the county. Dawes made a motion to approve the request. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
 2. Accounts payable claims and allowance docket for 4/15/2019.
 3. Payroll claims and allowances for pay period ending 4/6/2019.
- The commissioners approved all claims.

With no other business to come before the Board of Commissioners the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Monday, April 22, 2019.

Also present: The Paper reporter Josh Sigler, Suzie Lewis, Wabash County Coroner and Michael Johnston, Garmans Construction.