September 16, 2019

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, September 16, 2019. Chairman Barry J. Eppley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners present: Eppley, Brian K. Haupert, and Jeff D. Dawes. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the September 9, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Dawes made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

John Martin, County Highway Superintendent requested:

- 1. To replace Bridge 104 (500 W over Mill Creek). This bridge is on the replacement rehabilitation list and one that requires an annual inspection. The projected replacement cost is \$975,330. The funds are already budgeted for this project. Haupert made a motion to approve the request. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
- 2. To rehabilitate Bridge 909 (America Road over Treaty Creek). This bridge is also on the replacement rehabilitation list. The projected rehabilitation is \$362,730. Funds are available for this project. Haupert made a motion cost to approve the request. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
- 3. To replace a service truck. The current truck is a 2000 GMC. The body is rusted to the point the floor is about to fail. Three quotes were obtained. The lowest was from W.A. Jones for \$90,269. Dawes made a motion to approve the request. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
- 4. To replace a pick-up truck that was totaled in a wreck almost 2 years ago, with a small dump truck. He feels this would be more useful than another pick-up truck. Three quotes were obtained. The lowest was from W.A. Jones for \$71,737. Haupert made a motion to approve the request. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Ryan Baker, Wabash County Sheriff reported the Wabash County Jail currently has 103 inmates with 47 inmates housed in the Miami County Jail, 2 in the Noble County Jail, 10 in the Elkhart County Jail and 1 in the Adams County Jail. Last week there were 29 book-ins and 12 transports to other facilities with a peak population of 110. The total prisoner count was 175.

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

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

Jim Dils, County Coordinator/HR Director stated he has received a quote from Atlas Building Services for additional repairs to the southside of the courthouse, which were unknown at the time of the first quote. The quote is for \$8,573. Haupert made a motion to approve the quote being paid out of Cum Cap - courthouse historic preservation. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor presented:

- 1. Accounts payable claims and allowance docket for 9-16-2019.
- 2. Payroll claims and allowances for pay period ending 9-7-2019. Commissioners approved all claims.

LuAnn Layman, Wabash County Treasurer was present to update the commissioners on the TRECs program (September 9, 2019). Layman requested the update be deferred until next week.

With no other public comment or other business to come before the Board of Commissioners the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Monday, September 23, 2019.

Also present: First Deputy Auditor Shelly Baucco, Jon Clodfelter, Wabash Plain Dealer reporter Rob Burgess and Wabash County Clerk Lori Draper.