August 16, 2021

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, August 16, 2021. Commissioner Jeff D. Dawes called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all three commissioners present: Dawes, Barry J. Eppley and Brian K. Haupert. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the August 9, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Eppley made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote. Haupert abstained.

Eppley presented a contract for professional services with Matt Brinkman, Region III-A and Wabash County for the Heartland Career expansion project. Haupert made a motion to approve the contract not to exceed \$30,000. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Cole Wyatt, County Highway Superintendent, was present with nothing to report.

Marcie Shepherd for Ryan Baker, Wabash County Sheriff, reported the jail currently has 85 inmates, with 19 additional being housed in the Miami County Jail, 16 in the Tipton County Jail and 3 in the Elkhart County Jail. Last week there were 17 book-ins and 3 transports to other facilities. The peak population was 85. The total inmate count was 123.

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

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor presented:

- 1. Accounts payable claims and allowance docket for 08/16/2021.
- 2. Payroll claims and allowances for pay period ending 08/07/2021.

Haupert made a motion to approve all claims. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

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, August 23, 2021.

The commissioners received an IDEM Notice: Wastewater treatment plant construction permit for Strauss Veal Feeds, Inc.

Also present: *In-person*: First Deputy Shelly Baucco and Tyler Guenin, Chief Deputy Sheriff. *Via Zoom*: Rob Burgess and Don Jervis and Fire Tablet.

WABASH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/Jeff D. Dawes Chairman /s/Barry J. Eppley Vice-Chairman /s/Brian K. Haupert

Attest: /s/Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor