

September 27, 2021

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, September 27, 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 September 20, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Haupert made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Cole Wyatt, County Highway Superintendent, presented a utility permit from CenturyLink to restore service to 4334 N 600 W. Eppley made a motion to approve the request. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Ryan Baker, Wabash County Sheriff, reported:

1. The jail currently has 94 inmates with 13 additional being housed in the Miami County Jail, 26 in the Tipton County Jail and 4 in the Elkhart County Jail. Last week there were 13 book-ins and 4 transports to other facilities. The peak population was 92. The total inmate count was 140.
2. With regard to the quote received from Southern Folger Contracting, Inc. for preventative maintenance on the cell doors (September 20, 2021) at the county jail. Eppley made a motion to move forward with option 1 for the amount of \$12,151 to paid from the Jail Budget Building Repairs. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

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

Steve Downs, County Attorney, 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. Payroll claims and allowances for pay period ending 9/18/2021. Haupert made the motion to approve all claims. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Riverboat distribution for \$64,500.04 to be distributed to the county and taxing units. Haupert made a motion to approve the distribution. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. A quote from Intrasect Technologies to upgrade Datto storage and replace switches for the amount of \$15,447.16, which is already budgeted. Eppley made a motion to approve the quote. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Dawes asked if there were any ADA and Title VI concerns. None were presented.

Eppley made a motion to accept the Phase 1 Bid for Earthwork on the Sheriff's Office and Jail Facility Project from Star Excavating. Star submitted the lowest bid

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of \$489,783 (September 20, 2021). Hauptert 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, October 4, 2021.

Also present: *In-person*: First Deputy Shelly Bauccho. *Via Zoom*: Rob Burgess and Don Jervis.

WABASH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/Jeff D. Dawes
Chairman

/s/Barry J. Eppley
Vice-Chairman

/s/Brian K. Hauptert

Attest: /s/Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor