December 4, 2023

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, December 4, 2023. Chairman Brian K. Haupert called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners present: Haupert, Barry J. Eppley and Jeff D. Dawes. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the November 27, 2023 meeting were reviewed. Eppley made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Brian Swihart, Chief Probation Officer, requested information on the status of the Community Corrections location. Swihart said he would rather not move more than once. Haupert said they are working with a number of moving parts to get a location finalized.

Ryan Baker, Wabash County Sheriff, presented:

- 1. The jail currently has 78 inmates with 8 additional being housed in the Miami County Jail, 21 in the Fulton County Jail, 17 in the Cass County Jail and 26 in the Tipton County Jail. Last week there were 23 book-ins and 9 transports to other facilities. The peak population was 95. The total prisoner count was 150.
- 2. Baker expressed security concerns for the inmates and staff for the upcoming tour of the new jail. Haupert will meet with the Sheriff to review his concerns.

Steve Downs, Wabash County Attorney, stated the commissioners will need to replace Keith Gillenwater on the Wabash County Building Corporation.

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor, presented:

- 1. Accounts payable claims and allowances for docket ending 12/04/2023. Eppley made a motion to approve the claims and allowances as presented. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
- 2. Payroll claims/allowances and withholdings for pay period ending 11/25/2023. Dawes made a motion to approve the payroll and withholdings. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
- 3. Supplemental Operating Levy distribution in the amount of \$739,452. Eppley made a motion to approve the distribution as presented. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
- 4. Jail Bond Packet #36 for \$26,574.97 to be dispersed. Eppley made a motion to approve. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
- 5. BIS Digital Contract (November 13) funding source CCD Computer Equipment line.
- 6. Requested to process the LIT distribution for December, which should arrive in the coming week to be able to proceed with December settlement. The commissioners agreed.

Haupert asked if there were any ADA or Title VI concerns; none were heard.

Cheryl Ross asked several questions concerning the jail contracts and road closure issues.

At 9:30 a.m. the meeting was reconvened to begin the bid-opening process. Eppley made a motion to close the bids. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. The following bids were received:

Item #	Name	City
1	IMI Irving Materials, Inc.	Huntington, IN
1	West Plains Mining	Wabash, IN
2	Speedway Sand & Gravel	Fort Wayne, IN
2	Kokomo Gravel, Inc.	Kokomo, IN
3	Speedway Sand & Gravel	Fort Wayne, IN

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3	Kokomo Gravel, Inc.	Kokomo, IN
3	IMI Irving Materials, Inc.	Huntington, IN
4	Asphalt Materials, Inc.	Indianapolis, IN
4	Pierceton Trucking Co.	Warsaw, IN
5	Central Paving, Inc.	Logansport, IN
5	Phend & Brown, Inc.	Milford, IN
6	Phend & Brown, Inc.	Milford, IN
6	Gaunt & Son Asphalt, Inc.	Wabash, IN
8	Stello Products, Inc.	Spencer, IN
8	Unistrut Midwest	Cincinnati, OH
9	Great Lakes Chloride, Inc.	Warsaw, IN
10	Great Lakes Chloride, Inc.	Warsaw, IN

Equipment Rental

Gaunt & Son Asphalt, Inc. Wabash, IN

Dawes made a motion to take the bids under advisement. 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, December 11, 2023.

Also present: *In person*: Shelly Baucco, Tyler Guenin, Kimberly Lundmark, Jeb Dereck, Marcelle Palmer, Chris Hickman, Bill Burnsworth, Nicky Burnsworth, Matt Winger, Sam Karr and Nick Kopkey. *Via Zoom*: Connie, Jade Hall, Kandy Barker, Karsten Kersey, Melanie Penn, Theda Metzger, Suzanne Peebles, Ashlie Schlemmer, 828-6097-8566 and Don Jervis.

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Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor