

October 4, 2021

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, October 4, 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 27, 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, requested:

1. Phase II Post-Award Program Assistance 2021-1 Community Crossing Grant payment to Butler Fairman & Seufert. Wyatt requested payment of \$10,500 for engineering and \$21,800 for construction inspection, for a total of \$32,300. Haupert made a motion to approve the payment. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Wyatt also presented two road cut permits for Earth Works LLC. The first is to install a tile outlet at 5310 E 500 N. The second is to install a septic perimeter drain outlet at 402 E 500 S. Eppley made a motion to approve both permits. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Ryan Baker, Wabash County Sheriff, reported the jail currently has 94 inmates, with 13 additional being housed in the Miami County Jail, 26 in the Tipton County Jail and 3 in the Elkhart County Jail. Last week there were 18 book-ins and 6 transports to other facilities. The peak population was 98. The total inmate count was 136.

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

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor, presented:

1. The accounts payable claims and allowance docket for 10/05/2021. Haupert made a motion to approve the claims and allowance docket. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Shepherd also presented quotes for the coroner's office to install a neighbor-friendly fence. Quotes presented were: American Eagle \$7,083; R&C Fence \$7,850 and Nate's Landscaping \$8,180.82. Haupert made a motion to approve the quote from American Eagle to be paid from Cum Cap. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Cynthia Donovan with the Roann Covered Bridge Committee stated the fundraising breakfast had a good turnout and they are currently working with state agencies to find ways to raise money for bridge repairs.

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

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The commissioners received one IDEM Notice: Permit application – Strauss Veal Feeds, Industrial Wastewater Pretreatment.

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 Tuesday, October 12, 2021.

Also present: *In-person*: First Deputy Shelly Bauccho. *Via Zoom*: Rob Burgess, Fire Tablet and Don Jarvis.

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