

March 7, 2022

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, March 7, 2022. Commissioner Barry J. Eppley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all three commissioners present: Eppley, Jeff D. Dawes and Brian K. Hauptert. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the February 28, 2022 meeting were reviewed. Dawes made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Cole Wyatt, County Highway Superintendent, presented Supplemental Agreement No. 1 with United Consulting for the Replacement of Bridge No. 652. The agreement is for an archaeological survey in the amount of \$4,725 bringing the total cost to \$418,525. Wyatt said this has been approved by INDOT and would be part of the 80/20 payment split. Hauptert made a motion to approve the agreement. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Ryan Baker, Wabash County Sheriff, stated that the jail currently has 78 inmates, with 31 additional being housed in the Miami County Jail, 16 in the Fulton County Jail and 24 in the Tipton County Jail. Last week there were 28 book-ins and 5 transports to other facilities. The peak population was 93. The total inmate count was 151.

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

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor, presented:

1. Accounts payable claims and allowances for docket ending 3/7/2022. Hauptert made a motion to approve all claims. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. LIT distribution for March of \$1,113,834.50 to be disbursed to the county and other taxing units. Dawes made a motion to approve the distribution. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Eppley asked if there were any ADA or Title VI concerns. None were heard.

Eppley stated that our current mask policy recommends wearing a mask in county buildings. Hauptert made a motion to rescind the current mask policy. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.


The commissioners reviewed the following:

- IDEM Notice: POET Biorefining – notice of public comment.
- IDEM Notice: Gaunt & Son Asphalt – approval of changes that are administrative in nature.

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, March 14, 2022.

Also present: *In person:* Chief Deputy Shelly Baucco. *Via Zoom:* Don Jervis, Rob Burgess, Mandy Mahan and Melanie Penn.

WABASH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Barry J. Eppley
Chairman


Brian K. Hauptert
Vice-Chairman


Jeff D. Dawes

Attest: 
Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor