

September 26, 2022

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, September 26, 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. Haupert. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the September 19, 2022 meeting were reviewed. Dawes made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Lori Draper, Wabash County Clerk of the Courts, requested:

1. The commissioners submit a proposed order on redistricting the City of Wabash and the Town of North Manchester. Dawes made a motion to submit the proposed unsigned order to the state. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Approval for Jan Barlow & Arlene Wolfgang's contracts for election work, noting the change in pay from \$10 to \$11 per hour. Haupert made a motion to approve the contracts. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Todd Durnil, Owner's Rep for the new jail, presented:

1. Quote for temporary heating system. Durnil reported he received three quotes and the lowest was \$ 40,719.25 from Sunrise Energy. He also requested an additional \$5,000 for miscellaneous installation costs. NIPSCO is working on running natural gas lines to the road. Duke Energy has already been run service to the road. Haupert made a motion to approve the quote and the additional request for \$5,000. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Change Order #4 with Kettelhut Phase 3 to fill in gaps with grout on the interior walls in unit D for the second-floor decking. Durnil said RQAW did not have any notes on the gap. The nine wall segments are angled and could be fixed with steel and or fill. Terry Burnworth reported we only need to put steel on three walls. Change Order #4 is for \$15,225 (worst case) and three additional days. Durnil did not have any paperwork with him as they are still working out the details. He said they would need to do the work before the next meeting. Haupert made a motion to approve a not-to-exceed \$15,225 and three additional days. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Cole Wyatt, County Highway Superintendent, presented:

1. A road cut permit for Bowman Ag on 100 S east of 750 E to separate a field tile. Dawes made a motion to approve the permit. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. United Consulting reported the traffic study for the intersection of 700 W 200 N would be completed and they will submit a report next month.

Ryan Baker, Wabash County Sheriff, stated the jail currently has 86 inmates with 46 additional being housed in the Miami County Jail, 16 in the Fulton County Jail and 37 in the Tipton County Jail. Last week there were 21 book-ins and 8 transports to other facilities. The peak population was 102. The total inmate count was 180.

Baker also presented a Interlocal Agreement for Cass County. It has been reviewed by the county attorney and has a per inmate cost of \$40 per day. Haupert made a motion to approve the agreement. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Jim Dils, County Coordinator/HR Director, presented:

1. The 2023 Legal Holidays for Wabash County, which are the same as adopted by the State. Haupert made a motion to approve the holidays. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

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2. A request for Kimberly Lundmark to participate in the Leadership Development Wabash County program and use the county's scholarship spot. Purdue Extension had submitted a name but said they could fund it another way. Dawes made a motion to approve Kimberly Lundmark. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. Anthem stop loss insurance contract renewal effective April 1, 2022. Hauptert made a motion to approve the agreement. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor, presented:

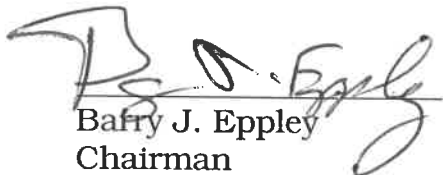
1. Accounts payable claims and allowances for docket ending 9/26/2022. Hauptert made a motion to approve the claims and allowances as presented. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Payroll claims/allowances and withholdings for pay period ending 09/17/2022. Dawes made a motion to approve the distribution. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. A claim to close out the Heartland Grant Fund 8303. It contains matching funds from the commissioners which had not been used. The funds will be deposited into the EDIT fund from which it was received. Eppley reported he approved the claim and signed a close-out letter for the grant.

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

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 3, 2022.

Also present *in person*: Shelly Baucco, Brian Swihart, Keith Walters, Sandy Beeks and Steve Downs; *via Zoom*: Rob Burgess, Melanie Penn, Don Jervis and Kandy Barker.

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Attest: 
Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor