

October 7, 2024

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, October 7, 2024. Chairman Jeff D. Dawes called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with Dawes, Brian K. Hauptert and Barry J. Eppley present. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Deputy Auditor Shelly Baucco. The minutes of the September 30, 2024, meeting was reviewed. Hauptert made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Sandy Beeks, Central Dispatch Director, presented a proposal from WTH to provide Address Range Layer Creation, ALI Database Comparison. The cost of the project is \$24,050 and is to be funded by a 911 Address Funding Program Reimbursable Grant. Hauptert made a motion to approve the application of the grant. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Shelly Baucco, Wabash County Deputy Auditor, presented agreements with Karen Huber, Marianne Blair, Judy Risk, Arlene Wolfgang, and Jane Barlow to serve as members of the Absentee Board handling matters related to early voting and absentee voting. Eppley made a motion to approve the agreements. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Cole Wyatt, County Highway Superintendent presented:

1. Roann Covered Bridge Fire Retardant Application Request. Hauptert made a motion to approve the request. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Debris removal on 5 County bridges over the Eel River. Wyatt reported he had received 2 bids, with the lower one from Pioneer Associates for \$43,000. Hauptert made a motion to approve the lower bid. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Tyler Guenin, Chief Deputy Sheriff, presented the September, 2024, jail report. Total prisoner count 152, female prisoners housed 28, male prisoners housed 124. There were 101 prisoners booked, 19 transports, 26 DNA collection, and 25 fingerprints were ordered by the Courts.

Shelly Baucco, Wabash County Deputy Auditor, presented:

1. Accounts payable claims and allowances for docket ending 10/07/2024. Eppley made a motion to approve the claims and allowances as presented. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Payroll claims and allowances plus withholdings for pay period ending 09/28/2024. Hauptert made a motion to approve the claims. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. The October LIT distribution for \$1,475,186.34 to be disbursed to the county taxing units. Eppley made a motion to approve the distribution. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
4. A request to have a wedding on the Roann Covered Bridge on 03/28/2025, no objections were heard.
5. A quote from W.A. Jones for a 2014 Chevy 2500 8'2 Boss DXT V-Plow. This plow will be on Greg Harnish's county truck for snow removal for the county buildings. Eppley made a motion to approve the quote without the Optional Equipment of Strobe's. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
6. A request from Circuit Court to have the highway department make a "Authorized Personnel only" sign, no objections were heard.

Dawes introduced the new Veterans Service Officer, Chad Alexander, and the new custodian, John Pollard.


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


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Review Item: IDEM Notice: Kentner Creek Stone, West Plains Mining LLC – Approval Office of Air Quality

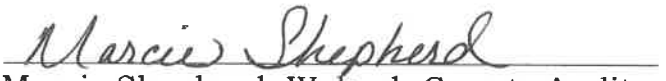
Eppley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. The Commissioners will next meet on Tuesday, October 15, 2024.

Also present: *In person*: Kandy Barker, Josh Petruniw, Cheryl Ross, Bill and Nicky Burnsworth, David Terflinger, Chris Hickman, Louella Krom, and Tyler Niccum. *Via Zoom*: Blake Huston, Rich Mofield, ccruz, Angie Kline, Theda Metzger, Don Jervis, and 82860978566.


Jeff D. Dawes
Chairman


Barry J. Eppley
Vice-Chairman


Brian K. Hauptert

Attest: 
Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor