

June 8, 2020

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, June 8, 2020. Chairman Brian K. Hauptert called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with all commissioners' present: Hauptert, Barry J. Eppley, and Jeff D. Dawes. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the June 1, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Dawes made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Jeff Patton, President /CEO, Arc of Wabash County, Inc. gave a brief overview of Arc and its programs, and how the organization is adapting to the COVID-19. Patton requested the funding for the 2021 budget to remain the same as in 2020 \$71,663. Commissioners thanked him for all the work they do to assist the citizens with developmental and intellectual disabilities of Wabash County.

Cole Wyatt, County Highway Superintendent presented Ordinance 2020-85-06 which amends ordinance 1, 1957 prohibiting the cutting of the surface of county highways without the permission of the board of commissioners providing for permits and charges therefor, and regulating the replacement of material in the cuts made, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof. Eppley made a motion to approve the ordinance. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Eppley made the motion to suspend the rules and proceed to second reading. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Eppley made the motion to approve ordinance 2020-85-06 on second reading. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Ryan Baker, Wabash County Sheriff reported that the Wabash County Jail currently has 79 inmates with 24 inmates housed in the Miami County Jail and 16 in the Elkhart County Jail. Last week there were 20 book-ins and 7 transports to other facilities. The peak population for last week was 72. The total prisoner count is 113.

Keith Walters, 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 the payroll claims and allowances for pay period ending 5/30/2020. Eppley made a motion to approve all claims. Dawes 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 are scheduled to next meet on Monday, June 15, 2020.

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Also present: Shelly Bauccho Chief Deputy Auditor, Melanie Penn Deputy Auditor, Jeb Dirk LaFontaine Gravel, Michael Johnston Garmon, Josh Goodman, Eric Weflen, all of RQAW, and Amanda Lawerance SJCA Inc.

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