

September 20, 2021

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, September 20, 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 13, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Eppley made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0 vote; with Haupert abstaining.

Dawes reviewed Resolution 2021-85-15; Relating to the Financing Documents concerning the Lease Financing of a Sheriff's office and Jail Facility project. Haupert made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-85-15. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Cole Wyatt, County Highway Superintendent, presented the following:

1. Right-of-way permit for CenturyLink to restore service to 341 N. Washington Street, Urbana. Haupert made a motion to approve the permit. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Right-of-way permit for Frontier to restore service to 4434 S. State Road 15. Eppley made a motion to approve the permit. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Ryan Baker, Wabash County Sheriff, reported:

1. The jail currently has 90 inmates, with 14 additional being housed in the Miami County Jail, 17 in the Tipton County Jail and 4 in the Elkhart County Jail. Last week there were 22 book-ins and 8 transports to other facilities. The peak population was 95. The total inmate count was 135.
2. Baker presented Addendum C to the Combined Public Communications, LLC inmate telecommunications general service agreement. The addendum will provide the Inmate Tablet System to allow virtual visitation. This does not add a cost to the contract. Haupert made a motion to approve the addendum. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. Baker requested approval on a quote for Southern Folger Contracting, Inc. to provide an onsite certified detention technician to perform preventative maintenance (PM) work on the detention hardware. Option 1 (PM on 7): SFC technician will PM on a total of 7 FA (electric) operators for \$12,151. Option 2 (PM on 40) SFC technician will PM on a total of 40 operators for \$31,720. Eppley made a motion to take the quote under advisement. Haupert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Keith Walters, EMA, 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.

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Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor, presented the accounts payable claims and allowance docket for 09/20/2021. Eppley made a motion to approve the claims and allowance docket. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

The commissioners received IDEM Notice: Wabash Valley Landfill - Notice of Public Comment - Operating permit; and IDEM Notice: Wabash Castings, LLC – Approval – Permit renewal.

Dawes ask if there were any ADA and Title IV concerns. None were presented.

At the advertised time of 9:30 a.m., bids for the Sheriff’s Office and Jail Facility Project - Phase I Earthwork were opened. Hauptert made a motion to close the bids. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. The following bids were received:

Star Excavating, Bippus, IN	\$ 489,783
Eads & Son Bulldozing, Inc., Lagro, IN	\$ 583,462
Bunn Inc., Fort Wayne, IN	\$ 614,020
G&G Hauling & Excavating, Inc., Warsaw, IN	\$ 758,840
F&K Construction, Flora, IN	\$ 709,500
CDI, Inc., Terre Haute, IN	\$1,104,000
Fleming Excavating, Inc., Decatur, IN	\$ 706,781

Hauptert made a motion to take the bids under advisement. Eppley 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 will next meet on Monday, September 27, 2021.

Also present: *In-person*: First Deputy Shelly Baucco, Terry Burnworth, Doug Beardsall, Toby Steffen, Tinisha Wiegert, David Ganaliney, Sarah Lochner and Tyler Guenin. *Via Zoom*: Rob Burgess, Ron Fearnow and Don Jervis.

WABASH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/Jeff D. Dawes
Chairman

/s/Barry J. Eppley
Vice-Chairman

/s/Brian K. Hauptert

Attest: /s/Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor