

January 31, 2022

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, January 31, 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 January 24, 2022 meeting were reviewed. Hauptert made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Cole Wyatt, County Highway Superintendent, presented a contract with Pioneer Associates for Bridge 909, a small structure replacement (January 18, 2022), for \$439,948.35. Hauptert made a motion to approve the contract. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by 3-0 vote.

Ryan Baker, Wabash County Sheriff, stated the jail currently has 83 inmates with 19 additional being housed in the Miami County Jail, 15 in the Fulton County Jail and 31 in the Tipton County Jail. Last week there were 21 book-ins and 6 transports to other facilities. The peak population was 85. The total inmate count was 151.

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

Steve Downs, County Attorney, was present with nothing to report.

Jim Dils, County Coordinator/HR Director, was present with nothing to report.

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor presented:

1. Payroll claims and allowances for pay period ending 1/22/2022.
2. Draw # 5 of the BAN for \$990,000.

Hauptert made a motion to approve the payroll claims and BAN draw #5. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

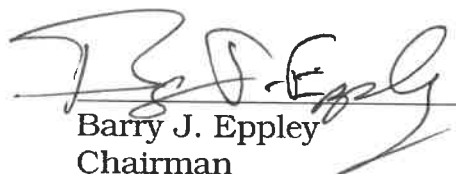
Eppley requested approval for A to Z Engineering to prepare a drainage report and driveway permit for the SR 13 property at the new jail site. Total cost of the project is \$3,500. Dawes made a motion to approve the contract. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

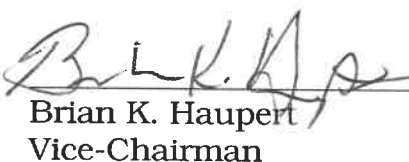
Eppley asked if there were any ADA or Title VI concerns. None were heard.

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, February 7, 2022.

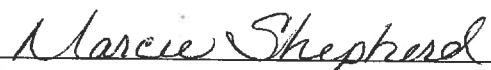
Also present: *In person*: Chief Probation Officer Brian Swihart. *Via Zoom*: Rob Burgess and Melanie Penn.

WABASH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Barry J. Eppley
Chairman


Brian K. Hauptert
Vice-Chairman


Jeff D. Dawes

Attest: 
Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor