

April 25, 2022

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, April 25, 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 April 18, 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.

Beverly Ferry, CEO, Living Well in Wabash County COA, presented for approval first quarter claims for the 5311 Grant. The claim will come from the last of the CARES Funds in the amount of \$98,896. Eppley signed the request to be submitted to INDOT. Ferry reported they are still looking for drivers.

Mike Howard, Area Plan Director, presented Ordinance 2022-85-04; an Amendment to the 2021-85-15 Solar Ordinance for second reading. Hauptert made a motion to approve the Ordinance 2022-85-04. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 2-0-1 vote with Eppley abstaining.

Cole Wyatt, County Highway Superintendent, presented a change order from DLZ for a total of \$3,427.69. It is associated with last year's renovation project at the county highway garage. Hauptert made a motion to approve the change order. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Ryan Baker, Wabash County Sheriff, stated the jail currently has 89 inmates with 23 additional being housed in the Miami County Jail, 13 in the Fulton County Jail and 21 in the Tipton County Jail. Last week there were 32 book-ins and 8 transports to other facilities. The peak population was 94. The total inmate count was 142. Sheriff Baker reported one of his trucks was struck this weekend while parked along the side of the road for a traffic stop. It appears to be totaled so he asked permission to look for a replacement. The commissioners approved looking for a replacement.

Steve Downs, County Attorney, presented:

1. Ordinance 2022-85-05 Amending Ordinance 2021-85-19 Fixed Asset Capitalization Policy. Dawes made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-85-05. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Hauptert made a motion to suspend the rules and proceed to second reading. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Hauptert made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-85-05 on the second reading. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Ordinance 2022-85-06 Electing the Standard Allowance to spend ARPA funds. Dawes made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-85-06. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Hauptert made a motion to suspend the rules and proceed to second reading. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Hauptert made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-85-06 on the second reading. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Jim Dils, County Coordinator/HR Director, reported the contract with Atlas Building Services, Inc for restoration work on the old portion of the judicial center, has been reviewed by Downs and is now ready to be approved and signed. Hauptert made a motion to approve the contract with Atlas for \$104,773. 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 4/25/2022. Dawes made a motion to approve all claims. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Payroll claims/allowances and withholdings for pay period ending 04/16/2022. Hauptert made a motion to approve all claims. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

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Sam Daugherty, Veteran Service Officer, requested permission to upgrade the landscaping around the Veterans Memorial. His assistant has contacted the American Legion. They would like to help upgrade the area with plantings and stone which would be done at no cost to the county. The commissioners approved.

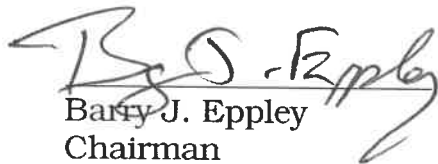
Todd Durnil, Owner's Representative for the new jail, presented Change Order 09-01. This change order will cover the cost increase due to changing from the precast construction which would not be available in the time frame required to proceed with the metal wall system. Hauptert made a motion to approve the change order to the Kettelhut contract for \$405,102. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. Durnil said they had one pour completed and are hoping to do three more this week. Durnil said they are currently working on contracts for the subcontractors.

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

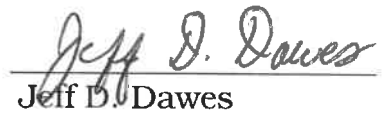
With no other public comment or other business to come before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Monday, May 2, 2022.

Also present: *In person*: Chief Deputy Shelly Baucco and Chief Probation Officer Brian Swihart. *Via Zoom*: Don Jervis, Rob Burgess, Melanie Penn, Mandy Mahan and Kandy Barker.

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Attest: 
Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor