

August 29, 2022

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, August 29, 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 August 22, 2022 meeting were reviewed. Dawes made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Keith Gillenwater, President & CEO, Grow Wabash County, reviewed his requests for funding:

1. Technology upgrades of \$5,000 for laptop computers.
2. Leadership Development Wabash County program sponsorship for \$2,500. The commissioners have supported the program for several years. This sponsorship will include the ability to enroll one participant in the program or Grow Wabash County will offer the spot as a "scholarship" to a deserving applicant who may not have the financial means to enroll.
3. Imagine One85 director for \$25,000. This will help fund both the hiring of a director as well as programming. This amount will also be a request for each of the next three years. The City of Wabash, Grow Wabash County and the Community Foundation of Wabash County have committed similar amounts.
4. Make My Move – Talent Attraction Campaign for \$30,000. This Indiana-based company operates talent attraction programming specifically focused on relocating remote workers into the community. The Indiana Economic Development Corporation has allocated limited grants to underwrite 50% of the cost. Grow Wabash County and the City of Wabash have committed \$30,000 each and he is asking the Town of North Manchester and Community Foundation of Wabash County for allocations as well.

Hauptert made a motion to approve the four funding requests from Grow Wabash County for a total amount of \$62,500 from EDIT Economic Development. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Cole Wyatt, County Highway Superintendent, presented a right of way permit for Bowman Ag to replace a drainage tile at 597 S 750 E. Hauptert made a motion to approve the permit. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Marcie Shepherd, for Wabash County Sheriff Ryan Baker, stated the jail currently has 89 inmates with 46 additional being housed in the Miami County Jail, 17 in the Fulton County Jail and 37 in the Tipton County Jail. Last week there were 25 book-ins and 6 transports to other facilities. The peak population was 99. The total inmate count was 179.

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor, presented:

1. Accounts payable claims and allowances for docket ending 8/29/2022; to include a 2nd docket run on 08/22/2022 at the direction of Eppley for a payment regarding a drain. Hauptert made a motion to approve the claims and allowances as presented. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. Payroll claims/allowances and withholdings for pay period ending 08/20/2022. Hauptert made a motion to approve the distribution. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. Server quotes were received from Intrasect Technologies, 10 Krypto Consulting and Hewlett Packard Enterprise. Intrasect Technologies was the lowest quote at \$96,394.38. Hauptert made a motion to approve Intrasect Technologies quote of \$96,394.38. Dawes seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.


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

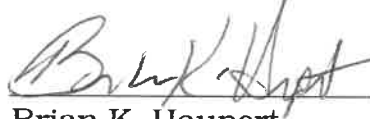
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With no other public comment or other business to come before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting was adjourned. The commissioners will next meet on Tuesday, September 6, 2022.

Also present *in person*: Shelly Baucco, Steve Downs, Keith Walters and Brian Swihart; *via Zoom*: Rob Burgess, Melanie Penn and Kandy Barker.

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Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor