

June 10, 2024

The Wabash County Board of Commissioners met in regular session in the Wabash County Courthouse on Monday, June 10, 2024. Chairman Jeff D. Dawes called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Dawes, Barry J. Eppley and Brian K. Hauptert were present. The proceedings were recorded by Wabash County Auditor Marcie Shepherd. The minutes of the June 3, 2024 meeting were reviewed. Hauptert made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Jeff Patton, President/CEO of The ARC of Wabash County gave an update on the programs and services available to Wabash County citizens who have developmental and intellectual disabilities. Patton reported that in May, The ARC purchased five acres at Morrett Business Park next to the Field of Dreams and plans to build a new state of the art facility before the end of 2025. Patton closed by thanking Wabash County for the support through the years and requested \$73,229.00 from the County for 2025.

Geoff Schortgen, Purdue Extension Director requested \$5,000 to support 4-H in 2025. Schortgen said the funds help cover some of the expenses associated with running the Wabash County Fair.

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor presented Resolution 2024-85-07 amending Resolution 2015-85-13 to restrict access to home addresses for protected people. Shepherd explained the Indiana Code for Restricted Addresses has been updated regarding who is covered. Mark Frantz, Wabash County Attorney said he drafted the resolution to reflect the changes. Eppley made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-85-07. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Tyler Guenin, Wabash County Chief Deputy asked if any progress has been made to remove the construction trailer from the jail property. Dawes said they are working on it. Dawes asked if the jail is ready to house prisoners from other counties. Guenin said they would need more jail staff before that would be considered.

Mark Frantz, Wabash County Attorney reported Steve Gatchel with court security requested an ordinance in regard to cell phones in the Judicial Center. Frantz is working on the request.

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor, presented:

1. Accounts payable claims and allowances for docket ending 06/10/2024. Eppley made a motion to approve the claims and allowances as presented. Hauptert seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
2. The 2024 June FIT (Financial Institution Tax) distribution for \$118,750.15 to some taxing units. Hauptert made a motion to approve the distribution. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.
3. The 2024 June LIT distribution for \$1,475,186.34 to all taxing units. Hauptert made a motion to approve the distribution. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote.

Dawes asked if there were any ADA or Title VI concerns; none were heard.

Dawes reported they had received an item from IDEM for Ford Meter Box that would be available to anyone who wanted to see it after the meeting.

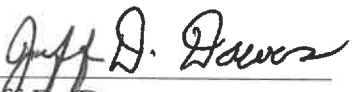
Hauptert made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Eppley seconded the motion; it passed by a 3-0 vote. The Commissioners will next meet on Monday, June 10, 2024.

Also present: *In person*: Shelly Bauccho, Cynthia Donovan, Louella Krom, Bill and Nicky Burnsworth, Tyler Niccum, Tenille Zartman and Cheryl Ross.

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Via Zoom: KandyB, phone, CathyS, Connie, Theda Metzger, sbeeks, Blake Huston and Don Jervis.

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Attest: 

Marcie Shepherd, Wabash County Auditor