

WHITLEY COUNTY
COUNCIL MEETING

December 27, 2022

The Whitley County Council met in regular session Tuesday, December 27, 2022, at 8 am in the Commissioners' Room located on the first floor of the Whitley County Government Center. Commissioner in attendance was Chairman Chad Banks. Council members in attendance were Vice Chair Kim Wheeler, Thor Hodges, Tom Warner, James Argerbright, Joan Western and John Barrett. Others in attendance were County Auditor Tiffany Deakins, Deputy Auditor Tamela Tincher, Commissioners' Assistant Cami Hippenhammer and Sean Martin from the Whitley County Sheriff's Department.

Vice-Chair Kim Wheeler called the Council meeting to order.

JAIL PROJECT DISCUSSION: Commissioner Banks gave an updated project overview of the construction of Whitley County's new jail along with information that was provided by Weigand, the construction manager. Banks let Council know that he is seeking approval to allow Weigand to move forward with the contract process with the awarded bidders. This will not necessarily be any building materials at this time, but more the paperwork side and getting the ball rolling on that. Council members had several questions for Commissioner Banks, a few of which he did not have an answer for. Commissioner Banks will be reaching out to Bakertilly to get these questions answered for Council. Commissioners and Council would like to hold another informational meeting to go over the new information and then would like to vote on the financial commitment of the jail at their January 2023 meeting. Councilmember Warner made a motion to allow for Weigand to move forward with the process, seconded by Western and carried with a 5/0 vote with Hodges abstaining.

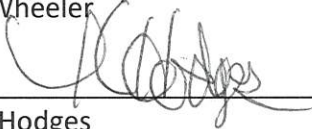
There being no further business and no further questions or comments from the public, Vice Chair Wheeler adjourned the meeting at 8:53 a.m.

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Nicholas Brewer



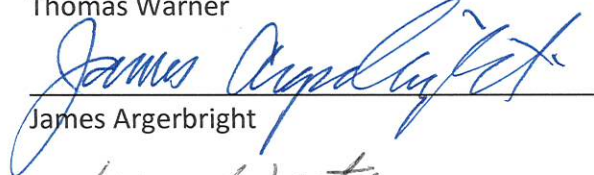
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Attest: 
Tiffany Deakins, Auditor