

# Vermillion County Commissioners

## Meeting Memorandum

January 16, 2024

9:30 AM

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Courthouse

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Roll Call
  - All Present
- IV. Approval of Minutes for 1.2.24
  - Luther makes the motion to approve the 1.2.24 minutes. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. Approval of Claims for 1.19.24
  - Luther makes the motion to approve the 1.19.24 claims with the exception of taking out the AES bill for the annex due to it not being approved for payment by Mr. Graves who is over the project. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. Approval of Payroll for 1.19.24
  - Dunavan makes the motion to approve the 1.19.24 payroll. Luther second the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VII. Economic Development Update
- VIII. Heber gives an updated on what has been happening within Economic Development. She also states that the READI 2.0 Grant application is due soon. She does state that LIFT has been named as an ambassador for the solar eclipse that is going to be happening on April 8, 2024. She also mentions that South Vermillion is moving to an e-learning day due to the influx in visitors. Luther asks about North Vermillion being on e-learning, Heber does state that she believes they were already schedule to have an e-learning day.
- IX. Public Comment
  - NONE
- X. New Issues
  - a. 2024 Extension Contract Services Agreement with Purdue: Lori Bouslog
    - Bouslog states that this contract just needs to be signed. Commissioner's all agree to sign this contract.
  - b. Riding Lawn Mower for Jail: Mike Holtkamp
    - Holtkamp comes to ask about buying a new riding lawn mower for the jail. They have been sharing one with the highway and they would like to have one just for the jail. Yocum & Dunavan would like to approve the lawn mower asset for the jail. Luther isn't in agreement to getting the lawnmower.
  - c. Utility Bills – Jail
    - **NA**
  - d. HSI Solar: Douglas Lomont
    - Lomont is a representative from HSI Solar. He is just hear to provide some information on lighting for facilities that would be powered by solar energy. The commissioners asked him if he could send them more information as far as what the cost would be to do this. He states he will send the information to the Auditor's Office for the commissioners.
  - e. Hamilton Center Annual Report: Mandy Adams-Washburn
    - **NA**
  - f. Ambulance Facility Location with NVSC
    - Luther states that he has approached North Vermillion about putting one of the ambulance facilities on North Vermillion property. The school board and met to discuss this possibility and they were all favorable towards this project. All the commissioners agreed to move forward with NVSC on this project.
- XI. Open Issues
  - a. Surveyor laptop & drains: Ron Mack
    - Mack explains that he has talked to EAS and they have a meeting with the commissioner to talk about the computers. Mack talks about the Amour – Morgan Drain and looking into a loan for the project. Dunavan makes the motion to reappoint Kurt Hill to the Drainage Board. Yocum seconds the motion. Luther opposes. Motion carried and pasted. They also agreed to put Dunavan on the drainage board as the county executive.

- b. Ground Water Withdraw
  - Yocum states that Shideler is setting up a meeting with in the Northern Part and Southern Part of the county for a meeting to discuss this issue. Luther states that some studies are being done and that more information will be coming on this at a later date. Luther does state that the county does need to make an ordinance. Dunavan and Luther are going to work on getting this ordinance put together.
- c. Courthouse Closing Procedure
  - **TABLED**
- d. Dept. & Board Appointments
  - i. Health Board
    - o Luther makes the motion to appoint Joanie Kanizer & Micha Williams to the health board. Yocum seconds the motion. Dunavan abstains due to not being at the meeting.
  - ii. E-911
    - o **TABLED**
  - iii. Innkeepers
    - o **TABLED**
- e. Annex Update
  - Graves gives an update on the annex.
- f. DNR Water
  - Dunavan states that he turned in the name to DNR and hasn't heard anything back from them. He believes his DNR contact has been out and will contact him to see if he has any updates on this project.

XII. Announcements

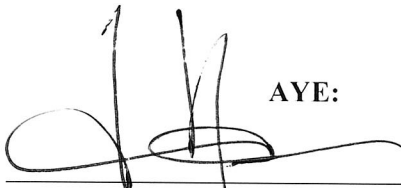
- a. County Festivals & Events
  - i. Vermillion County Bicentennial (February 1<sup>st</sup> 1824 – 2024)
    - 1. Bicentennial Celebration at the Reading Boot Camp Learning & Training Center at Hillcrest in Clinton on February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM.

XIII. Public Comment

- NONE


XIV. Adjourn

- Luther makes the motion to adjourn the meeting. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

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Tim Yocum

 **NAY:**

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RJ Dunavan

 **AYE:**

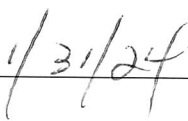
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Britton Luther

ATTEST:  **NAY:**

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