

**Vermillion County Commissioners
Meeting Memorandum**

November 23, 2021
8:15 a.m.

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Courthouse

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Roll Call
- IV. a. Present: President Tim Yocum, RJ Dunavan, Britton Luther
Approval of Memorandum
- V. a. A motion was made by Dunavan to approve November 9th Memorandum, and seconded by Luther. All in favor, motion carried.
Approval of Claims
- VI. a. A motion was made by Luther to approve the November 26th Claims pending the withdrawal of HWC Engineering payment, and seconded by Dunavan. All in favor, motion carried.
Approval of Payroll
- VII. a. A motion was made by Dunavan to approve the November 26th Payroll, and seconded by Luther. All in favor, motion carried.
Public Comment
- VIII. a. Brandon Ruth spoke on the health board officer, he supports the commissioner's decisions that they have made.
b. Lynne Brewer asked about the regulations on if a person is able to hold two offices, such as Doctor John Wheat
c. Greg Lucas spoke on his sons, Doctor Roger Jones, behalf. Roger Jones applied for the new health officer position.
- IX. Open Issues
- a. Vermillion Rise
- i. Bob Grewe gave updates such as insurance rates, utility rates, and event policies.
- ii. Doug Hess with the Economic Development spoke about how well The Rise and Economic Development has come together.
- b. VTA (Vermillion Trails Alliance)
- i. Les Zimmermen spoke about the closing of their grant, they just need a signature from Yocum to finish the project grant. Deadline is 12/1 and decisions won't be made until approximately spring 2022.
- c. Town of Dana Water Project
- i. William Peebles and Erick Smith spoke on behalf of the Town of Dana. They asked for \$500,000 from the ARP money to help with the water issue. A motion was made by Dunavan to approve them \$300,000 for the water project, and seconded by Yocum. Britton opposes and makes comments about the situation. Motion carried.
- b. New Business
- a. Broadband Distribution letter of support (Joink-Josh application grant)
- i. Josh Zuerner with Joink spoke on behalf of Joink, and asked for a letter of support from the commissioners.
- b. PD Board Ordinance- Jill Wesch/Nancy Wilson
- i. Jill Wesch spoke on the behalf of the PD Board and asked the commissioners to sign Ordinance 2021-18 for the PD Board. A motion was made by Luther to approve Ordinance 2021-18 with the intent for

the commissioners to have final say, and seconded by Dunavan. All in favor, motion carried.

c. Application for Federal Funding for Replacement of Br. 37, CR 200 E/ NOFA

i. Luther spoke about the replacement of Bridge 37. A motion is made by Luther to approve Clark Dietz contract that does not exceed \$3,000, and seconded by Dunavan. All in favor, motion carried.

d. Yocum spoke about maybe pairing with International Paper to have them recycling the cardboard.

X. Adjourn

a. A motion was made by Dunavan to adjourn the meeting, and seconded by Luther. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Nay

Aye

Tim Yocum

RJ Dunavan

RJ Dunavan

Britton Luther

Britton Luther

Attest:

Brenda Furry
Brenda Furry

Date:

12/9/21