

Vermillion County Commissioners
Meeting Memorandum

September 10, 2024

6:30 PM

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Courthouse

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Roll Call
 - All Present
- IV. Approval of Minutes for 08.27.24
 - Luther makes the motion to approve the 08.27.24 minutes. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. Approval of Claims for 09.13.24
 - Luther makes the motion to approve the 09.13.24 claims. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. Approval of Payroll for 09.13.24
 - Dunavan makes the motion to approve the 09.13.24 payroll. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VII. Public Comment
 - NA
- VIII. New Issues
 - a. 2024-06 Ordinance: Establishing Redevelopment Authority (Ernie Pyle School): Scott Craig
 - Craig talks about needing to establish a redevelopment authority. This authority isn't just for the Ernie Pyle project, once it is established it can also be used for other projects if needed. Luther makes the motion to approve the 2024-06 Ordinance, establishing redevelopment authority with having names for the authority by the next Commissioner's meeting. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - b. Public Defender – Cost Recovery
 - i. Construction Cost
 - o Luther states that in order for the county to receive a portion of the cost the county used to renovate the annex for the public defender's portion of the building. The public defenders board statewide is asking us to do a comparison for rent instead of taking what our actual costs are. If we succeed at this, the county will be reimbursed over a 10-year period. Spurr is going to look into this.
 - ii. Utility Cost Assignment
 - o Luther wanted to make sure we were charging for rent to WCIPDO.
 - c. BEAD Support Letter
 - Dunavan states that he has met with them a couple of times to discuss this project. They are wanting a letter of support for the project. They aren't asking for any money as of right now. If they get the grant, they will more than likely come back and ask for money but the county doesn't have to give any money. The Commissioners agreed to sign a letter of support for the project without commitment of funding.
 - d. Approval of General Election Polling Locations
 - Dunavan makes the motion to approve the general election polling locations for November 5th's election. Yocum seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- IX. Open Issues
 - a. Thrive West Central Commissioner Recommendation
 - Yocum states that the Health Department has stated that they will give \$25,000.00 towards the transportation portion of the THRIVE 2025 contract. All the commissioners do agree that they would like to send this to the council for funding.
 - b. Ambulance Facility
 - i. Property Acquisition
 - ii. Architect – Plans/Specifications/Bid Documents
 - iii. OCRA Grant Funding
 1. Jerrell's Estimate

- The additional appropriation for the architect work is on the council's agenda for Wednesday, September 11th at 6:30 PM. Luther also states that the NV superintendent is retiring at the end of the year and with the election coming up next year could possibly have new members. It would be beneficial to acquire the property from NV by the end of the year. It is looking like it will be an acre of land however it could change if a new septic system is needed, etc. They will know more after the engineering work can be completed.
- c. AOD Ordinance 2024 – 5: Brenda Furry
 - Luther makes the motion to approve the 2024-5 ordinance Attendance on Demand (AOD). Yocum seconds the motion. Luther and Yocum votes yes. Dunavan votes no. Motion passed.
- d. Codification Proposals
 - i. ESPER
 - ii. American Legal
 - Luther states that he has received two codification proposals. Many of the surrounding areas uses American Legal. The commissioners will decide at the next meeting.
- e. I-74 Project
 - Craig also mentions that the Redevelopment with meeting at 10:00 AM in Cayuga at the Economic Development office regarding the I-74 project. They will be having the first vote on creating the I-74 TIF district. This will be on the Commissioner's agenda sometime this fall. They are hoping to get this approved by the end of the year. Within the TIF area you there will be two different allocation areas. The economic development area is going to be bigger than the TIF area itself.

X. Announcements

- Dunavan stated that DNR recorded the deed for the public access point up North.
- Dunavan stated that Cayuga Lions Club was wanting to ask permission to use part of the courthouse annex parking lot during the Hillclimb. All the commissioners agreed.
- Clean Up Days will be on September 13th from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM and September 14th from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM at the South County Garage and the Cayuga County Garage.
- Newport Hill Climb will be on October 4th – 6th.

XI. Public Comment

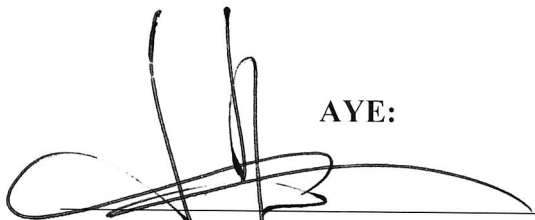
- NA

XII. Adjourn


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

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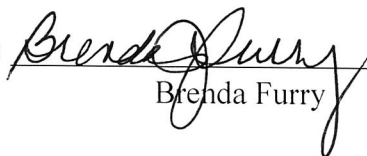
 Tim Yocum



 RJ Dunavan



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ATTEST: 

 Brenda Furry



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