

Vermillion County Commissioners
Meeting Memorandum

October 25, 2022

8:15 AM

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Courthouse

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Roll Call
 - a. Present: Tim Yocum, RJ Dunavan, and Britton Luther
- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - a. A motion was made by Luther to approve the October 11th memorandum, and it was seconded by Dunavan. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. Approval of Claims
 - a. A motion was made by Luther to approve the October 28th claims, and it was seconded by Dunavan. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. Approval of Payroll
 - a. A motion was made by Dunavan to approve the October 28th payroll, and it was seconded by Luther. All in favor, motion carried.
- VII. Public Comment
 - a. Maci Valdez spoke regarding the OPIOD Settlement funds that will be coming to the county and suggests the LCC provide oversight and recommendations of spending.
 - b. Bruce Aukerman, County Prosecutor, asked the Commissioners why he was unable to be put on the agenda and if there was a timeline for requesting being added to it. Luther stated that there is no set date, but a Saturday before the upcoming Tuesday meeting was too short for a request. Aukerman asked for a meeting with EAS to be set up for tomorrow morning at 8:00am and suggested Auditor Furry contact EAS to see if they are available.
- VIII. Open Issues
 - a. Courthouse Occupancy & Space Use
 - Yocum asked Dunavan to put together his thoughts regarding information on the occupancy and space use.
 - b. Discussion – Record Handling/ Retainment/ Format (Scanning)
 - Luther has been in touch with IRA / SBS Portals. He is still getting information and would like input from any office holders interested.
 - c. SMWC – Darla Hopper
 - Darla Hopper asked about using the County Seal for the scholarship program. All three commissioners agreed to let SMWC use it for this program on a one year basis.

IX. New Business

a. Cayuga Drainage Project – Eric Smith & Ron Mack

- Mack explained that he is working on making Cayuga drain a regulated drain with the assistance of HWC. This was presented and has approval from the Cayuga Town Board. Mack is asking for a grant match from the county. Smith, from HWC, states round one of next year, maybe in June, would be an estimated timeline. Smith stated that the commissioners need to accept recommendation and start the grant administration.

b. Bridge #90 (Bid Document)

- Luther states that the bid documents are basically the same, just the dates have changed. It is pending funding.

c. County Engineer

- Yocum talked with Jim Meece/Parke County, recommended getting together after Covered Bridge Festival.

d. County Annual Bids (In Process)

- Luther states that the notice to bidders and bid documents need to be approved. Yocum would like to look over the fuel bid documents and approve at the next meeting.

e. Probation Laptops

- Probation department put in a request for new laptops through EAS. A motion was made by Dunavan to approve seconded by Luther, all in favor motion carried.

f. Ordinance 2018-06

- Dunavan made a motion and read the ordinance by title and Yocum seconded. During the discussion Luther asked Spurr if a vote was necessary, and Spurr explained that the signatures were just left off original document. Yocum proceeded with vote process and he and Dunavan approved, Luther opposed, motion carried.

X. Public Comment

- Joe Ellis and Eddie Thompson from the Rise were there to let the commissioners know that they will be addressing them in the future due to Bob Grewe resigning. Ellis also went over some Rise business including, the shell building, the Oridon/solar project, expansion of current tenants, and a Duke Energy grant. Luther asked if they had made a decision on the ambulance service, and Ellis stated the board voted yes but details are to be determined.
- Doug Hess from Economic Development addressed the commissioners and gave them an update on the Cayuga Housing Project. Also told them that Economic Development has set aside \$100K for a study at I74 and SR63. Hess

also stated that Warren County was inquiring if Vermillion County would be interested in joining together regarding broadband.


- Dunavan stated that he and Annie completed the Gov. Deals and it is up and running.

XI. Adjourn


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

Aye

Nay



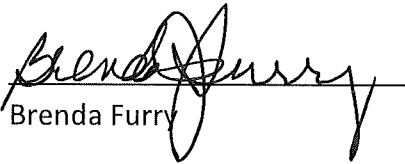
Tim Yocum



RJ Dunavan



Britton Luther

Attest: 
Brenda Furry

Date: 11/7/20