

Vermillion County Commissioners

Meeting Memorandum

November 21, 2023

9:30 AM

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Courthouse

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Roll Call
 - All Present
- IV. Introduction of SVHS Student: Mya Taylor
 - Mya Taylor gives a brief description on what she is going to do after she graduates.
- V. Approval of Minutes for 11.7.23
 - Luther makes the motion to approve the 11.7.23 minutes. Dunavan seconds the motion to approve the 11.7.23 minutes. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. Approval of Claims for 11.22.23
 - Luther makes a motion to approve the 11.22.23 claims. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VII. Approval of Payroll for 11.22.23
 - Dunavan makes a motion to approve the 11.22.23 payroll. Luther seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VIII. Public Comment
 - Becky Holbert with VTA, BNO trail still waiting on Fish and Wildlife. The trail is currently closed due to hunting season. Victory Races will happen on April 6, 2024. It will include a marathon, ½ marathon, and a 5K.
- IX. New Issues
 - a. THRIVE – Spark RLF Revolving Fund Financial Support: \$5,500.00
 - Dunavan makes the motion to approve the \$5,500.00 for THRIVE pending funding. Luther seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - b. 2024 Highway Bid Openings
 - Luther opens the bids. Luther makes a motion to take the bids under advisement. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - i. Fuel
 - Illini FS
 - ii. Aggregates
 - Roskovensky Gravel
 - Kanizer Excavating
 - Rodgers Group
 - Lincoln Park Stone
 - S & G Excavating INC
 - Walker Ag
 1. Transport Only Aggregates
 - Elle-J Trucking
 - iii. Corrugated Metal Pipe and High-Density Polyethylene Pipe, N-12
 - Whole Sale Drainage Supply
 - E-3 Bridge
 - iv. Bituminous Materials: Contract renewal (10.10.23) with Asphalt Materials
 - Milestone Contractors
 - c. Purdue Broadband Team Initiative – Lori Bouslog
 - Bouslog comes to talk about the Purdue Broadband Team. The would like everyone that is possible to go online verify their addresses and to take lots of speed test throughout the day. She also talks about the application for the affordable connectivity program which provides \$30.00 a month to households that need internet but maybe can't afford the entire bill.
 - d. Ernie Pyle WWII Museum & Land Steward Design: Steve Key & Luke Waltz
 - Key & Waltz comes to talk about a 5-phase project that would be located at the Ernie Pyle WWII Museum. The project would not only be for the Ernie Pyle Museum it would also be part of a veteran's park. They are going to be putting in an application for the Improvement Money.

- e. Vermillion Rise Solar Agreement
 - Hannah goes through and gives a brief description of the agreements the Commissioner's were given. Luther requested to table this until the next meeting so he had more time to review the documents, as they were emailed to them the night before the meeting to review.
- f. Transfer of Money Counter to Clerk: Florinda Pruitt
 - Treasurer Pruitt gives an updated on the interest that the county has made so far.
 - Treasurer Pruitt also would like to transfer her old money counter to the Clerk's office. The Commissioners don't have a problem with transferring the money counter, however Luther request an interlocal agreement be drawn up for both the Treasurer and Clerk to sign.
- g. Septic Ordinance 1st Reading (2023-07): Dr. Market & Kim Hawkins
 - Hawkins comes to speak about the Septic Ordinance and what has changed between the old ordinance and the new ordinance.
- h. Get the Lead Out Program: Dr. Market (BOH), Eric Shideler (SWCD), & Tim Yocum
 - Yocum talks about this new program that would help test wells for lead.
- X. Open Issues
 - a. Historical Marker Information: George Sanquenetti & Cheryl Hargrave
 - Sanquenetti and Hargrave come to speak about getting a historical marker for Cayuga park. They also talk about other projects they have worked on throughout the county getting historical markers for.
 - b. DNR Water Access
 - Yocum mentions that the state is doing a water study on how reducing the amount of water out of the Wabash River affects the Wabash Valley. Luther states he has talked to Senator Deery about the water sheds.
 - Dunavan states that he has been talk with DNR about the ramp being put up North. He states that they would like a survey done if they do the survey they are looking at a year out for a survey. If we would like to do the survey ourselves, Dunavan states he has talked to Roger Meyer who gave him a quote for \$3,000.00 to do the survey. All the Commissioners agreed to pay \$3,000.00 to Roger Meyer for the survey.
 - c. READI 2.0 Application Process
 - Yocum states that Vermillion County will have a seat available on the READI 2.0 Grant Board. Yocum states that the member on the boards will not be an elected official, if anyone is interested in the position, to let him know.
 - d. IT Contract
 - i. Part-time
 - ii. EAS
 - TABLED
- XI. Announcements
 - a. County Festivals & Events
 - i. Commissioner Appointments for boards open until December 13th
 - ii. Vermillion County Bicentennial (February 1st 1824 – 2024)
 - iii. Doug Hess receipt of Certification in Economic Development – Oklahoma University
- XII. Public Comment
 - Mark O'Heir announces that a burn ban notices has been sent out. He also comes to talk about funding for a new siren for up North.
 - Yocum states that he has had a few residences tell him that after the new pavement has been put down on the roads, it is very dark and they have a hard time seeing where the middle of the roads is at and would like some reflective lines on the roads. Yocum wants to get a list of the roads that need markings and give it to the highway superintendent to look at getting the markings put onto the roads for the entire county that need it.
 - Yocum also mentions that the Health Department moved to 700 South Main St. Clinton, IN.
- XIII. Adjourn
 - Luther makes the motion to adjourn. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

ATTEST

Tim Yocum



NAY

RJ Dunavan

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Britton Luther

Britton & Austin

ATTEST:



Brenda Furry

DATE: 12/5/23