

Vermillion County Commissioners
Meeting Memorandum

January 2, 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 12.19.23
 - Luther makes a motion to approve the 12.19.23 meeting minutes. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. Approval of Claims for 1.5.24
 - Luther makes a motion to approve the 1.5.23 claims. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. Approval of Payroll for 1.5.24
 - Dunavan makes a motion to approve the 1.5.23 payroll. Luther seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VII. Public Comment
 - NONE
- VIII. New Issues
 - a. Appointment of President/Vice for 2024
 - Luther makes the motion to appoint Yocum as the 2024 Commissioner President. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - Dunavan makes the motion to appoint Luther as the 2024 Vice Commissioner President. Yocum seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - b. BCS Management
 - Luther states that BCS Management did sign the county's MSA agreement. He would like to see the work description BCS Management provided expanded. Dunavan and Yocum agree to allow Luther to be the point person with BCS Management and to sign the agreements on behalf of the commissioners.
- IX. Open Issues
 - a. Board Appointments for 2024
 - i. E911
 - o TABLED
 - ii. Health Board
 - o TABLED
 - iii. Innkeepers Tax Board
 - o TABLED
 - iv. Drainage Board
 - o TABLED
 - b. Surveyor laptop & drains: Ron Mack
 - TABLED
 - c. Ground Water Withdraw
 - Yocum states that he has been working with Eric Shidler on gather research about this project. He also states that he believes all the commissioners should do their own research on this project. Dunavan
 - d. DNR Water Site up North
 - Dunavan states DNR water site up North is still on track. They are wanting a recommendation for the name of the site. Luther had suggested Osonimon, which was what Cayuga was first called. It was an Indian chief's name.
 - e. Vermillion County Bicentennial
 - Luther states that he had sent the other commissioner's list of ideas and activities for the entire year to do for the celebration. However, talking with the others they were thinking like one day event. Yocum states that he would like to see something done on the day or the week end of at the courthouse. Dunavan states he likes the idea of having t-shirts made. Luther also mentions that the Reading Boot Camp Non-profit would also like to do

something for the bicentennial. Luther also states that he would like Dunavan and Yocum to head up the event. The commissioners will continue to work on a plan for this event.

f. Courthouse Closing Procedure

- Yocum states that he believes the county needs to come up with a courthouse closing procedure. He also states that he believes the commissioners responsibilities go as far as when the building needs to be closed due to like weather, heating issues, no water, etc. The office holders have the authority to close their offices whenever they feel it is necessary for example no internet.

X. Announcements

a. County Festivals & Events

i. Vermillion County Bicentennial (February 1st 1824 – 2024)

b. Eric Shideler: Solid Waste Director

XI. Public Comment

- NONE

XII. Adjourn

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

AYE:

NAY:

Tim Yocum

RJ Dunavan

Britton Luther

ATTEST:

Brenda Furry

DATE:

1/23/2024