

Vermillion County Commissioners
Meeting Memorandum

April 09, 2024

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. Approval of Minutes for 02.26.2024, 03.26.2024, & 04.01.2024
 - Luther makes the motion to approve the 2.26.24, 3.26.24, & 04.01.24 minutes. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. Approval of Claims for 04.12.2024
 - Luther makes the motion to approve the 04.12.24 claims. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. Approval of Payroll for 04.12.2024
 - Dunavan makes the motion to approve the 04.12.24 payroll. Luther seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VII. Economic Development Update
 - Heber states that the fourth Monday of each month is office hours for aspiring entrepreneurs or businesses within the county that would like to meet with the Small Business Development Center. This is a free service. They will be located at the Economic Development office from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Heber also mentions the bicentennial celebration which is happening at the end of April. The local fourth graders will be coming to the courthouse on April 26th for the celebration. They will be writing letters to their future selves and placing them in a time capsule that will then be buried and opened back up in 50 years. On Saturday April 27th the bicentennial celebration will be open to the public and take place at the courthouse. It will be from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. There will be displays throughout the courthouse, including a wax museum completed by the high ability students at Van Duyn. Also, the Community Foundation gave a grant to pay for the t-shirts and coins for each of the fourth graders, teachers, and principals.
- VIII. Public Comment
 - NONE
- IX. New Issues
 - a. Petition for Vacation of Alleyways: Melissa Hiltermann & Donald J. Bonomo, Attorney
 - Bonomo comes to speak about the petition for vacation of alleyways for Melissa Hiltermann. He explains where the property is and why the alleyways needed to be vacated. Dunavan made the motion to approve the petition to vacate the alleyway. Yocum seconds the motion. Luther voted no. Motion passed.
 - b. Clark Dietz
 - i. Task Order 7 Approval: CCMG 2024-1 Bid and Construction
 - o Luther makes the motion to approve task order 7 from Clark Dietz regarding the CCMG 2024-1 Bid and Construction. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - ii. Task Order 8 Approval: Highway/THRIVE Centerline Miles Update
 - o The Commissioners discuss task order 8 from Clark Dietz. They agreed to table this task order until the next meeting so a little bit more research can be done.

- c. Solid Waste & Soil and Water: Eric Shideler
 - i. Solid Waste Update: Shideler announces that if would like to make sure that everyone knows about the County Clean Up Days. He would also like to purchase a laptop through EAS for Solid Waste for the purpose of placing QuickBooks on it so they can keep the Solid Waste accounting electronically. The Commissioners agreed to have it placed on the Comptrollers computer in the Auditor's office instead of getting a separate laptop just for solid waste.
 - ii. Soil & Water Update: Shideler explains that he has talked to the E911 Director and he has split the annex in half so that it has a suite A and suite B for address purposes. The Public Defender's office is going to be located in the annex under Suite A and Soil and Water will be located in Suite B. He also mentions that water sample kits will be available for pick up by June 1st.
- X. Open Issues
 - a. 2nd Reading of Amended Sewage System Ordinance 2024-02
 - TABLED
 - b. Letter from County Historian Requesting a Letter of Support
 - Sanquenetti explains that he is needing two separate letters of support for each of the following projects, the Major John T. Chunn marker and the Piankashaw Village marker. He would like to have the letters by next month in case anything needs to be changed, we would have time before the July deadline.
 - c. Annex Completion
 - Yocum states that the annex is completed and the final cost for renovations is close to \$200,000. As of the date of the meeting the Auditor's Office was still waiting on a few more invoices to be turned in. The grand opening for the annex is going to be on Saturday, April 27th at 1:00 PM.
 - d. Ambulance
 - Luther states that the he has a meeting with Illiana this afternoon to see where the county stands with Illiana. He also mentions that they have started compiling information on how much it would cost to purchase an ambulance. Luther explains the different options we have when looking at the purchase of an ambulance.
 - e. County Engineer
 - Yocum mentions that Parke is working on creating a county engineer job description. Parke and Vermillion will be both receiving grants for \$40,000.00, which will be a total of \$80,000.00. From that point each county will contribute money to make it about \$120,000.00/year job.
- XI. Announcements
 - a. Town Hall – Highway Asset Management Plan April 10, 2024
 - i. 9:00 AM – Cayuga Community Center
 - ii. 1:00 PM – Vermillion County Courthouse, Commissioner's Courtroom
 - iii. 6:00 PM – Universal Town Hall
 - b. 2024 Clean Up Days
 - i. SPRING: April 19, 2024 from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM & April 20, 2024 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
 - c. County Bicentennial Celebration
 - i. April 27, 2024 at the Vermillion County Courthouse from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
 - d. 2024 Tire Recycling at the RISE
 - i. May 11, 2024 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM
- XII. Public Comment
 - NONE

XIII. Meeting Recessed

- Luther makes the motion to recess the meeting until 4:00 PM April 9th. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

MEETING RECONVENED at 4:15 PM:

XIV. Roll Call

- Yocum & Luther are present. Dunavan was absent

XV. Ambulance

- Luther shares his spreadsheets and information that he has collected regarding the ambulance structure and what way the county could possibly be headed towards. The discussion included how many ambulances would be needed, how much it would cost just for employees and how many would be needed, and also the other avenues that ambulance companies have of making money. Yocum makes the motion to allow Luther to make the decision regarding buying an ambulance. Luther seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Luther and Yocum also delegate O'Heir to reach out to Illiana regarding buying two of the ambulances.

XVI. Solar Eclipse

- Luther also mentioned that the EMA and County coordination for the day of the Solar Eclipse was excellent.

XVII. Adjourn

- Luther made the motion to adjourn. Yocum seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

AYE:

NAY:

Tim Yocum

RJ Dunavan

RJ Dunavan

Britton Luther

Britton Luther

ATTEST:

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DATE:

4/23/24