

Vermillion County Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

October 22, 2024

9:30 AM

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Courthouse

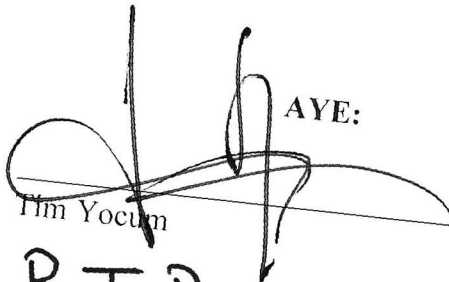
- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Roll Call
 - All Present
- IV. Approval of Minutes for 10.08.24
 - Luther makes the motion to approve the 10.08.24 minutes. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. Approval of Claims for 10.25.24
 - Luther makes the motion to approve the 10.25.24 claims. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. Approval of Payroll for 10.25.24
 - Dunavan makes the motion to approve the 10.25.24 payroll. Luther seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VII. Public Comment
 - Several concerned citizens spoke regarding the CO2 / WRV situation. They include, Shirley Downs, Susan Strollkos, Clate Sanquetti, Mark Uselman, Don Bohannon, Jack Swalls, and Bill Wilson. Many had the same concerns including; Right to farm, public knowledge, WVR being disingenuous, how will the commissioners handle a leak and how much money it would cost, IDEM, clean water, pipeline size and PSI, EPA, if there is a leak you would not be able to breathe, concern for children and grandchildren in the future, and overall safety and for WVR to do the right thing.
- VIII. New Issues
 - a. Extension Contractual Services Agreement Approval for 2025
 - Luther makes the motion to approve the 2025 Extension Contractual Services Agreement. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - b. Health Department: Dr. Market & Wendy Farley
 - i. Health Officer Appointment – Kay Smith
 - o The board is recommending Dr. John Wheat as the new 2025 health officer. Dunavan makes the motion to approve Dr. John Wheat as the new health officer starting in January 2025. Luther makes seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - ii. Tattoo Ordinance 2022-15 with Amendment Eyelash Extensions
 - o Dr. Market states that Attorney Spurr and herself have worked on the amendment for eyelash extensions within a person's home. It doesn't affect anything towards a salon or a tattoo parlor. This amendment is something that is being recommended by the state for counties to do. Along with amending the ordinance with the eyelash extensions they also updated the fees added eyelash extensions purchases.
 - iii. Generator Purchase Approval
 - o All the commissioners agreed on the purchase of a generator for the Health Department.
 - c. Proposed Unified Development Ordinance and Zoning Map: Penney Carpenter & Brad Johnson
 - Johnson is with Ground Rules out of Zionsville. The company has been helping the APC rewrite the UDO for the last year. They went through and updated the zoning ordinances for the county, updated the wording, brought things up to current state codes, made it more user friendly, etc. Another new addition to the ordinance is regarding battery plants which are showing up with solar farms. They added it to this ordinance so that it would cover the issue if/when it comes up. Right to Farm was also added to the ordinance. This is regarding being able to spray their fields but it must be so far away from the neighbor's well. If any changes are needing to be made it must take place in an APC meeting, then APC would have to approve it again in another public hearing. It would then be brought

back to the Commissioners for approval. They did add somethings about the carbon sequestration wells and pipelines in the UDO. Heavy gases, Pressure, and wells. Dunavan states that he will email some questions regarding the UDO. Luther also asks questions to Johnson.

IX. Open Issues

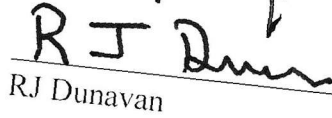
- a. Policy's Needed per SBOA
 - i. Cost Principles Policy
 - ii. Procurement Policy
- TABLED
- b. Stipend
 - i. Highway Superintendent: Mike Klyaic
 - o All the commissioners agreed to give Klyaic a stipend for \$1,615.00.
 - ii. Economic Development: Amanda Heber
 - o Auditor Furry explains that she went back and figured the difference between when Hess left and Heber took over taking care of Economic Development by herself. The difference was \$18,430.00 minus overtime at \$6,582.73 totaling \$11,847.27. Dunavan makes the motion to approve a \$15,000.00 stipend. Yocum seconds the motion. Luther votes no. Motion carried.
- c. Weight Limits on Roads
- TABLED
- d. Appointing Rise Member
- TABLED
- e. County Home Lease
 - i. Lease
 - ii. Fencing Cost
- TABLED
- f. Cell Phone
 - i. Cost
 - ii. Policy
 - iii. County Phones Assignments
 - 1. Prosecutors Office Pending
- TABLED
- g. Union Hospital Agreement Review
- TABLED
- h. County Parks
- TABLED
- i. Courthouse (Carrera) Quote Status
 - i. Roof Replacement Review
 - ii. Limestone Restore/Clean/Seal
- TABLED
- j. County Handbook Status & Update (Spurr – Furry)
 - i. Cell Phone Approval and Use
 - ii. Credit – Debit Card Policy
 - iii. Automated Timesheet Accounting & Use
- TABLED
- k. Public Defender – Cost Recovery
 - i. Construction Cost
- TABLED
- l. Ambulance Facility (Point Person?)
 - i. OCRA Grant Funding
 - 1. Jerrell's Estimate
 - ii. Ambulance Facility
 - 1. Property Acquisition
 - 2. Contract-Architect-Plans/Specifications/Bid Documents
- TABLED
- m. Internet Service – Garage 1
- Luther states that garage 1 can get the wireless Joink internet, if the commissioners agree. All the commissioners agreed to start the process for garage 1 to get Joink wireless internet.

- X. Announcements
- a. County Burn Ban
 - i. Effective 10.08.24 to 11.04.24
 - b. Moved/Time Changed for Commissioner Meetings
 - i. Meeting on November 4th moved from 6:30 PM to 9:30 AM.
 - ii. Meeting on December 3rd moved to December 2nd at 9:30 AM
- XI. Public Comment
- Susan Stroll comes to talk about the carbon sequestration project.
 - Phil L comes to also talk about the carbon sequestration project.
 - Shirley Downs spoke again regarding, pg. 542 right to farm standards number 8. If somebody can change from crops to animals but doesn't include confined feeding.
- XII. Adjourn
- Luther makes the motion to adjourn, Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.


Tim Yocum

AYE:

NAY:


RJ Dunavan


Britton Luther

ATTEST: 
Brenda Furry

11.4.24
DATE: