

Vermillion County Commissioners

Meeting Agenda

December 13, 2016

6:00 p.m.

Commissioners Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Courthouse

- I. Call to order. The Vermillion County Commissioners convened in a regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 13, 2016.
- II. Roll call. Members present were President Tim Wilson, Tim Yocum, Auditor Phyllis Orman, Chief Deputy Auditor Amy Tolbert, and Attorney Jon Spurr. Vice-President Harry Crossley was absent.
- III. Approval of minutes from last meeting. Yocum made a motion to accept the minutes from November 29, 2016, seconded by Wilson. Motion carried.
- IV. Approval of Claims and Payroll. Yocum made a motion to accept the claims and payroll for release on May 16, 2016, seconded by Wilson. Motion carried.
- V. County Treasurer's Report. Wilson acknowledged receipt of the County Treasurers Report.
- VI. Open issues
 - a) Property for walking trail. Yocum stated that Hannum, Wagle and Cline are still waiting on prints from the railroad company. He is hoping they have the issue completed within the next 30 days.
 - b) Jail water pressure. Yocum said the prints have been approved by Hannum, Wagle, and Cline. He said they will meet with Vermillion Rise soon about the time table for bids.
 - c) Jail geothermal/energy savings. Nothing new to report.
 - d) Eugene covered bridge abutment. Spurr sent another letter, waiting for response.
 - e) Technology coordinator. Phelps sent a suggested advertisement. Wilson made to motion to advertise 3 times in the Clintonian and Tribune Star, as presented. Yocum seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - f) Health insurance. Wilson reported that they are looking at several different options for the May 1st renewal. He said they will also be putting it out for bid to hopefully find the best deal for the county.
 - g) Political signs on county property. Yocum made a motion to table, seconded by Wilson. Motion carried.
 - h) Lease agreement for county owned property behind jail. Spurr to insert legal description and then it will be mailed to Mr. Hollingsworth.
 - i) Building commissioner job description. Wilson asked if the APC secretary was allowed to earn comp time. Lary Langely with the APC board said their minutes from October 11, 2012 states the APC secretary is to receive comp time for anything over 40 hours in the week, at time and a half. He said that currently she has 1.5 hours accumulated. Wilson said that is all they needed to know.

- j) Grant Writer. Dylan Rikken, with Economic Development spoke to the commissioners about hiring a grant writer. He named a few that he would suggest, such as Krisy Jerrell with Jerrell Consulting. He said he would be also be willing to become a certified grant writer if they wanted to go that route. Yocum said the problem is with finding people to create the need. Rikken said the problem is coming up with the matching dollars that most grants require. He also stated that some, not all grant writers, only take payment when a grant is awarded. He suggested maybe budgeting a set amount each year for grant writing purposes and to use for matching if needed. Yocum asked if all grants needed a certified writer and Rikken said no, but most do. Councilman, Randy Dreher, said Kristy Jerrell did work for Clinton City and did very good work and was very successful. Wilson asked that Jerrell attend a future meeting to discuss the issue further.
- k) Vermillion Rise. Yocum said that Vermillion Rise would be asking for the \$1.5 million any day now. Tolbert said they have submitted a claim and the check is done and dated for December 16, 2016.

VII. New business

- a) Pyramid Architecture. Terry Burnsworth, who had worked with the county many years ago, was present to introduce himself to Commissioner Yocum and to wish Auditor Phyllis Orman a happy retirement.
- b) Property and Causality Insurance renewal. Dave Marrietta, of Forrest Sherer, gave the commissioners the new quotes for insurance. He said Travels came in \$28,000 cheaper with no change in coverage. Yocum made a motion to allow, seconded by Wilson. Motion carried.
- c) Extension Contract. Contractual agreement for 2017. Wilson made a motion to allow, seconded by Yocum. Motion carried.
- d) Virgil Ryan was present to discuss the fact that part of his house sits on his neighbor's property. Spurr said this would not a be a commissioner issue and that he would need to seek the help of an attorney. Yocum suggested he also speak with the county surveyor.

VIII. Adjournment. Yocum made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Wilson. Motion carried.

Read in full and approved by the Vermillion County Commissioners on the 27th day of December, 2016.

Tim Wilson

Harry Crossley

Tim Yocum

Attest: _____
Phyllis Orman, Auditor