## Vermillion County Commissioners Meeting Minutes

April 30, 2019 8:15a.m.

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Courthouse

- **Call to Order.** The Commissioners convened in a regular meeting on April 30, 2019 at 8:15 a.m. in the Commissioners courtroom.
- II. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.
- III. Roll Call. Members present were President Tim Wilson, Harry Crossley, Auditor Amy Tolbert, First Deputy Auditor Stephanie Simpson, and County Attorney Jon Spurr. Tim Yocum was absent.
- IV. Approval of Minutes. A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Wilson to approve the minutes from the April 16, 2019 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. Approval of Claims and Payroll. A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Wilson to approve the claims and payroll for May 3, 2019. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. Treasurer's Report. Wilson acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer's report.

## VII. Open Issues

- a. Vermillion Rise. Executive Director Bob Grewe gave a brief up to the Commissioners. Grewe said that representative from a company, which was not identified due to confidentiality, toured the shell building and they will continue working with them.
  - Grewe also reported that J & R Used Tire will hold tire recycling on Saturday, May  $4^{\text{th}}.$
- b. VTA (Vermillion Trails Alliance). Tom Milligan of Vermillion Trails Alliance stated that a work day is scheduled for Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at the Trailhead Park locted north of Vermillion County Jail.
  - Milligan asked Spurr to help with developing working for signs which would protect the county from liability for those using the trails. Spurr said that such signs offer little protection, as people may file lawsuits and claim not to have seen the signs, but said he would help with making sure they were worded properly.
- c. Jail Renovation/Expansion. No discussion.
- **d. Handbook.** Spurr said he has gone over the changes and sent it to Scott Craig to review and then the handbook committee will meet to discuss the changes.
- e. County Website. Sheriff Mike Phelps said anyone interested in turning in a proposal has until May 28, 2019 to do so.
- f. Courthouse Phone System. No discussion.
- g. FEMA/MVH Grant. Mark O'Heir said the commissioners need to advertise for bids for the work to be done.
- h. Dangerous Exotic Animal Ordinance Area Plan. No discussion, Penney Barton was not available to discuss this.

## VIII. New Business

- a. Newport Chemical Depot Reuse Authority Loan. A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Wilson to sign the confirmation of the loan arrangements between Vermillion Rise and Vermillion County. All in favor, motion carried.
- **b.** Vermillion County Owned Property Tammy Brown. Tammy Brown told the commissioners she was interested in purchasing county owned property that is next to her parents' residence. Brown stated her family has been taking care of

the property for years, but there have been problems recently with people leaving trash on the property and driving through it.

Wilson said that the property would have to be offered for bids if it were to be sold, but added that it is the only way to reach the Big Vermillion River for bridge inspection, and the commissioners are reluctant to get rid of it. Wilson agreed to ask the sheriff's department to watch the property more closely, and said he would see about fixing the road there, and putting up "no outlet" signs that might help discourage people from driving through it.

**c. Highway Equipment Bids.** The Commissioners received bids for county highway equipment. The bids were opened and read by Crossley.

Kanizer Excavating – Truck #10 - \$2,766.00 Truck #5 - \$1,501.00 Truck #68 - \$1,891.00 Trailer - \$350.00

Greg Weaver – Lawn Mower - \$300.00

Tim Yocum – Excavator - \$13,560.00 Trailer - \$2,310.00

Mike Brewer – Lawn Mower - \$262.00

Colby Nale – Lawn Mower - \$160.00

Illiana Truck Parts, Inc. – Truck #10 - \$1,504.19

Truck #5 - \$1,504.19

Truck #68 - \$1,504.19

Robert J. Dunkley – Lawn Mower - \$153.03

A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Wilson to approve the winning bids as follows: Kanizer Excavating - Truck #10 for \$2,766.00 and truck #68 for \$1,891.00. Greg Weaver – Lawn mower for \$300.00. Tim Yocum – Excavator for \$13,560.00 and trailer for \$2,310.00, and Illiana Truck Parts – truck #68 for \$1,504.19. All in favor, motion carried.

- IX. SRI, Inc. Tax Sale Services Support Addendum and Tax Sale Work Plan. The Commissioners received a Tax Sale Services Support Addendum and Tax Sale Work Plan for the upcoming tax sale. The fees changed from \$75 to \$100, it is no cost to the county, the fees are added to the properties that are certified for tax sale. A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Wilson to approve the Tax Sale Services Support Addendum and Tax Sale Work Plan. All in favor, motion carried.
- **X. Adjourn.** A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Wilson to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried.

Read in full and approved by the Vermillion County Commissioners on the 14th day of May, 2019.

Tim Wilson, President

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Harry Crossley
Tim Yocum

Attest.

Amy Tolbert, Auditor