

MINUTES  
FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
December 18, 2023  
9:00 A.M.

The following Fountain County Commissioners were present at the meeting: Brenda Hardy and Tim Shumaker. Andrew Hall was absent

**Public Comment**

**Cades Covered Bridge – Notice of Award**

Henry Schmidt stated that the Arts Council solicited bids from 7 different companies. Three came to the site to assess the scope of work before submitting a bid. Bids were received from CLR in the amount of \$700,000 and SSRG in the amount of \$409,863. They have signed an agreement with SSRG and are waiting on the performance bond before issuing the proceed to start letter. County Attorney, Kent Minnette will prepare a contract between the County and the Arts Council for the county's portion.

**County Historian – Carol Freese**

The State has contacted her in regards to the sesquicentennial celebration as they would like Fountain County to participate. She feels like there needs to be a committee formed and will work on it after the first of the year.

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to approve the minutes of the Commissioner's meeting of December 4, 2023 as presented. Vote: 2-0

**CLAIMS 1-222 (\$1,394,383.64) and Payroll Claims**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to approve all claims. Vote: 2-0

**Review and Acknowledge Treasurer's Bank Reconciliation & Monthly Comparison Report**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to acknowledge the Treasurer's Bank Reconciliation for November, 2023 and the Monthly Fund Comparison Report. Vote: 2-0

**Review & Acknowledge Clerk's Monthly Report for November, 2023.**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to acknowledge the Clerk's Monthly Report for November, 2023. Vote: 2-0

**Report of Collections - as submitted**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to acknowledge the Report of Collections for the Ambulance, Clerk, Health Department, Recorder and Sheriff for November, 2023. Vote: 2-0

**ENVOY AGREEMENT**

Kent Minnette explained the agreement. It is for the Annex, Courthouse and the County Highway garage. The BOT timeline has started. Kent believes public hearings are complete and will go through the design phase next. Tim Shumaker said that Jeff Fishero, Brenda Hardy, Kent Minnette and Dan Taylor met last week to discuss the BOT options on all projects and whether if it was a fit for the county.

**BT REYNOLDS – Quote**

A quote to repair the south boiler was submitted by BT Reynolds in the amount of \$3,449.51. A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to approve the quote. Vote: 2-0

**AUDITOR – Colleen Chambers**

Colleen will be purchasing a new copier in the amount of \$6,567.83. The maintenance agreement has been reviewed by the County Attorney and is in the amount of \$640.08 per year.

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to approve the maintenance agreement and the purchase of the new copier.

Vote: 2-0

**HIGHWAY – Jason Lewis**

Jason presented the Commissioners with the contract agreement with Vialytics in the amount of \$17,500.01. Kent Minnette approved the agreement.

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to authorize Jason Lewis to sign the agreement with Vialytics.

Vote: 2-0

**Health Dept – Jenny Eads**

Jenny said the Health Nurse, Shelly Starkey has resigned effective January 13, 2024.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE  
January 2, 2024  
AT 9:00 A.M.**

**DRAINAGE BOARD MEETING IMMEDIATELY  
FOLLOWING THE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to close the meeting.

Vote: 2-0

Colleen Chambers  
ATTEST

Brenda Hardy  
Tim Shumaker  
Tim Shumaker