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MINUTES
FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
January 16, 2024
9:00 A.M.

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

MINUTES

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to approve the minutes of the Commissioner's meeting of January 2, 2024 as presented. Vote: 3-0

CLAIMS 1-159 (\$265,243.50) and Payroll Claims

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve all claims. Vote: 3-0

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

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to acknowledge the Treasurer's Bank Reconciliation for December, 2023 and the Monthly Fund Comparison Report. Vote: 3-0

Report of Collections - as submitted

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to acknowledge the Report of Collections for the Ambulance, Clerk, Health Department, Recorder and Sheriff for December, 2023. Vote: 3-0

CCMG 2024-1 - Letter to Commitment

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to approve the letter of commitment for the Community Crossing Matching Grant for 2024-1. It will cost the county approximately \$500,000. Vote: 3-0

Plan Commission – Purdue Extension Appointment

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to accept/approve the appointment of Jamie Shonkwiler by Adam Tyler; County Extension Director due to him living outside of the County. Vote: 3-0

PAWS & CLAWS Contract for 2024

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to approve the contract with Paws & Claws for 2024 in the amount of \$42,000. Vote: 3-0

SMART LAWNCARE

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to submit a letter to Smart Lawncare in regards to them not being responsible for snow removal and salting is it is under two inches. Vote: 3-0

SEALED HIGHWAY BIDS – Gravel, Stone, Rip-Rap, Liquid Asphalt, Tile & Sewer Pipe, Bituminous and Fuel

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to accept all bids that were received. Vote: 3-0

County Highway – Jason Lewis

Jason shares with the Commissioners the USI estimate for 2024.

Jason asked Roger Azar and Kent Minnette where we were at on the ordinance for the permitting process/fees for driveways etc. It has been brought before the Plan Commission. They had some concerns about mobile homes and septic systems. Kent was going to present everything at one time but said he can break it apart, if preferred. Jason also said he and Tim Shumaker met with Enterprise Leasing last week. The new trucks should be delivered in May. They will be paying the invoice on the leased vehicles yearly instead of monthly.

Council – Jeff Fishero (ARP Money)

Jeff stated that the Town of Hillsboro project is almost complete as well as the Town of Kingman’s project. Jeff also said that the Town of Hillsboro & Kingman was very appreciative of the contributions from the County as the projects may not have been attainable. WEGA has new contractors and they are looking at different drawings on the placement of offices.

Roger Azar

Roger along with Greg Robison has a meeting next with IDEM to do an inspection at the landfill. He also has a meeting with Geenex Solar after the meeting in regards to the filing of the permit. Roger gave an update on the Town of Kingman drain. They still need to re-file their petition. They will also look into a 5-person drainage board this year. He will get an update on the financial from the Auditor.

There will be a meeting this week to receive the Comprehensive Financial Plan from Baker Tilly. This meeting is only to receive information.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 5, 2024
AT 9:00 A.M.**

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to close the meeting. Vote: 3-0

Brent Hardy

Tim Shumaker

Cecilia Chambers
ATTEST