

**MINUTES  
FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
APRIL 1, 2024  
9:00 A.M.**

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

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to approve the minutes of the Commissioner’s meeting of March 18, 2024.  
Vote: 3-0

**CLAIMS 1-126 (\$366,193.60), Unpublished Claims and Payroll Claims**

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

**Report of Collections – as submitted**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to acknowledge the Report of Collections for the Health Department for February 2024.  
Vote: 3-0

**Transfers**

Co General – Prosecuting Attorney	
From: 1000-0381-33300	Travel/Mileage
To: 1000-0381-33000	Postage
	\$168.56

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the transfer and send it onto the Council for final approval  
Vote: 3-0

**BIDS – JAIL SEWER PROJECT**

After reviewing the bid from McCollum Excavating a motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to accept the bid in the amount of \$1,145,499. They will wait to sign the acceptance and contract at this time per Kent Minnette as he would like to confer with Roger Azar.  
Vote: 3-0

**Ritter Strategic Services - Barry Ritter**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to approve the service agreement addendum from Ritter Strategic Services. The rate is \$150 per hour, not to exceed 480 hours.

Vote: 3-0

**WCRC – Danielle Snider**

Danielle Snider had a letter of verification for the approval for the 2025 Community Supervision Grant Application. A summary of the budget is as follows:

Agency	Grant Amount Requested	Project Income Budget
Fountain County Probation	\$86,270	N/A
Parke County Drug Court	\$52,920	N/A
Montgomery County Probation	\$181,447	N/A
Montgomery County Drug Court	\$94,099	N/A
Vermillion County Probation	\$81,191	N/A
West Central Regional Community Corrections	\$1,091,612	1,174,594

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the 2025 Community Supervision Grant Application. Vote: 3-0

**Sheriff**

Andrew Krout contacted Tim Shumaker. There are 75 current inmates in jail. Twenty-two Out of County and 2 are parole.

**Highway**

Jason Lewis stated he had been in contact with VS Engineering and HWC Engineering. He had a contract from VS Engineering to do Bridge Assessment. He and Travis Covault went to look at a tandem dump truck. They have chosen to go with Stoops Freightliner. The price for the fully decorated Dump truck will be \$254,000.00. Milestone will open today. Jason stated they will be getting the hot boxes out to patch depending on the weather. He stated that on April 10, 2024 at 10:00 am will be the Community Crossing Grant announcement. Brenda Hardy said she would be in attendance.

**911**

Dana Stonebraker stated that Caliber has been on site installing the equipment/hardware. They will be training the employees in April and plan to go live in May.

**Website**

Tim Shumaker stated that he had been in contact with Brad Keller to get some information on Solar and Wind advantages on the website. This information will be located under the Commissioner's tab. Brad Keller currently has every meeting set up to be viewed from the website also. Brenda Hardy stated she felt the website was very helpful, but feels like a PR person (Communications Director) would be beneficial to the county. She has reached out to other counties regarding their processes.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE MONDAY,  
April 15, 2024  
AT 9:00 A.M.**

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







ATTEST