

MINUTES
FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUGUST 5, 2024
9:00 A.M.

The following Fountain County Commissioners were present for the meeting: Brenda Hardy, Aaron Fruits and Tim Shumaker.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Aaron Fruits and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the minutes of the Commissioner's meeting of July 15, 2024 as presented. Vote: 3-0

CLAIMS 1-153 (\$425,793.26), Unpublished and Payroll Claims

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

TRANSFERS

LIT – Public Safety

From: 1170-0005-10904 Deputy 11
To: 1170-0005-10152 Sheriff Incentive Pay \$2,000

Non-Reverting E-911

From: 1223-0000-10206 Operator
To: 1223-0000-10600 Part Time \$5,000

From: 1223-0000-10206 Operator
To: 1223-0000-14000 Overtime \$5,000

Co Gen – Radio Dispatch

From 1000-0303-33300 Travel/Mileage
To: 1000-0303-33105 IDACS \$1,000

Co Gen – Plan Commission

From: 1000-0079-33000 Postage
To: 1000-0079-33250 Consulting Fees \$257.50

Co Gen – Commissioners

From: 1000-0068-10117 Longevity
To: 1000-0068-10000 Social Security \$16,000

Co Gen – Ambulance

From: 1000-0301-15800 Paramedic
To: 1000-0301-14000 Overtime \$60,000

A motion was made by Aaron Fruits and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the above transfers and send it onto the Council. Vote: 3-0

Additional Requests

Non-Reverting E-911 Dispatch

1223-0000-43100 Computer Maintenance \$18,249.97
1223-0000-10600 Part time \$7,000.00

CG-Commissioners

1000-0068-1000 Social Security \$50,000

Cum Bridge

1135-0000-44800 Covered Bridge Repairs \$50,000

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Aaron Fruits to approve the additional requests and send it onto the Council.

Vote: 3-0

Eli Lilly Grant – Van Pools

Rod Bannon seeking to participate in a grant from Eli Lilly to implement vanpools in our county. It is a voluntary program that will run for 5 years and be paid for with Lilly dollars. Those interested can sign up for a free enterprise car to be shared with other workers for transportation to and from work.

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Aaron Fruits to move forward with the grant.

Vote: 3-0

Sweat Pea Solar

Invoice #1027 from DES Engineering for \$2900.00 was addressed. It was not for Sweet Pea Solar. It was for the environmental study for the property on Liberty Street (Maple Corner). This study needed to be done to finalize the sale of the property.

CrowdStrike Consent Agreement – IOT

A motion was made by Aaron Fruits and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve and sign the agreement for CrowdStrike with the IOT.

Vote: 3-0

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

Ambulance – Garth Kagels

Garth handed out a spreadsheet for the first 4 pays in 2024 showing the regular and over time hours worked for each employee. He also stated that he has all positions filled except for one paramedic spot. He stated that two council members set down with him and Jeff to go over the scheduling. The new trucks are in. They will pick up one on Tuesday and the other one should be available by the end of the week. The re-mount is estimated to be done sometime around October.

County Highway – Jason Lewis

They will be grading roads this week in preparation for the start of the school year. They have approximately one mile of chip and seal left to do. He would like to meet with Roger in regards to an email from Colin Snow of Crossroad Solar and the road use agreement. There is an iron bridge that they will not be able to cross.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Carol Owens

She had questions about the CrowdStrike Agreement. She wanted to know if this is what brought the airlines down and if it would interfere with our work.

Larry Schrock

He had questions about CrowdStrike also. Brenda stated that it was an extra layer of security. He had concerns about cybersecurity and our election system. Tim stated that they will have the Clerk come to the next Commissioner meeting. Brenda stated she will hold off on signing the agreement until after the August 19th meeting.

Carol Owens


She wanted to know why there was a need for \$50,000 in Social Security. Auditor Chambers said it was due to under funding the line item and the cost of the pay raises given at the beginning of the year after the budget was set.

Clint Kilby

He asked if a contractor determines who does work in the County. Deckard had requested to update the County corner stone markers. He also stated that the realtors drawing was changed in regards to the roads on Grubb Lane and Roger asked the county to take the road over. He asked why unelected official were making the rules. Roger Azar said that the County needs to do the section corners. The County will bid out the work when a decision has been made to start the process. Clint also had an email from Rod Bannon and asked why he is requesting to get people fired in the Courthouse.

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE MONDAY,
AUGUST 19, 2024
AT 9:00 A.M.**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Aaron Fruits to close the meeting.





Vote: 3-0



ATTEST