

**MINUTES
FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
October 3, 2022
9:00 A.M.**

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Southeast Fountain School Corporation (Mr. Davenport & Ms. Kelli Morgan)

They came to discuss the Full-Time Safety Resource Officer position at Southeast Fountain School Corporation. The school has received a grant that will cover 50% of the cost of an SRO. The school will pay 25% and they are asking for the County to cover the other 25%. Right now, Officer Rainey is working there on his days off. They really would like a Full Time SRO at the school. The Commissioners are willing to sponsor a deputy to be at the school but they don't want to pay 100% of the cost. They will be meeting with Fountain Central's Superintendent to discuss cost as soon as possible. Sheriff Holt has the deputies on the road periodically stopping by the school in the meantime. The Council has already put funds in for 2023 for the County's portion of the deputy.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to approve the minutes of September 19, 2022 as presented. Vote: 2-0

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to approve the minutes from the Special Joint Meeting between Fountain and Warren County Commissioners on September 15, 2022 as presented. Vote: 2-0

CLAIMS 1- 125 (\$190,821.92) Unpublished and Payroll Claims

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

TRANSFER REQUEST

Co General - Jail

From: 1000-0380-10405 Jailers
To: 1000-0380-1400 Overtime \$10,000

The staff shortages and a hospitalized inmate have taken a toll on the overtime appropriation. They are asking for this transfer in hopes it will take them to the end of the 2022 budget.

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A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to approve the transfer request in the amount of \$10,000. Vote: 3-0

Infraction Deferral

From: 2400-0000-33010 Transcripts
To: 2400-0000-33740 Prosecution Equipment \$48.37

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the transfer in the amount of \$48.32 Vote: 3-0

Statewide E-911 Fund

From: 1222-0000-10600 Part Time
To: 1222-0000-14000 Overtime \$10,000

From: 1222-0000-33800 Training
To: 1222-0000-14000 Overtime \$5,000

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to approve the transfer in the amount of \$15,000. Vote: 3-0

CEDIT – Co Commissioners

From: 1112-0068-33250 Consulting Fees
 To: 1112-0068-33100 Computer Maintenance \$10,150.00

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the transfer in the amount of \$10,150.00. Vote: 3-0

ADDITIONAL REQUEST**Co General – Jail**

1000-0380-33550 Utilities \$22,000

Due to energy cost increases they have fallen in the red. They have transferred from other appropriation to try to keep the request as low as possible.

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the additional request in the amount of \$22,000 and send it onto the Council.

Vote: 3-0

Storage Tank Liability Insurance – approval & signatures

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to approve the coverage for the Storage Tank Liability Insurance. Vote: 3-0

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**TREASURER – Susan Coffing**

She asked permission to have the courthouse closed from 12-2 p.m. on December 22 for the Courthouse Christmas Party. It will be catered by The Local. Brunch will start at 10:30 a.m. The Commissioners agreed.

She would like to switch the credit card provider to Forte. They have partnered with LOW and Beacon, so there will be no extra cost and offer a file to upload for payments. Forte offers E-Checks, lower rates and paying your bill over the phone. The county attorney has looked over the agreement and has approved it.

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the agreement with Forte. Vote: 3-0

She also wanted to inform the commissioners that she moved more money into TrustIN because they have an interest rate of 2.62%. Currently, there is \$10 million in that fund and she will be moving over more. Old National is only at 1.25%.

SHERIFF – Terry Holt

Currently, there are 69 in jail. Thirty-three of which are out of county.

He is having the deputies check in at Fountain Central when Officer Rainey is unavailable until a full time SRO can be placed there.

HIGHWAY – Jason Lewis

They received their last Fleet Enterprise vehicle.

430 E is getting paved tomorrow and Wednesday. Shawnee Lane and Coopers Chapel have already received a 1.5 mat of pavement to help them get through the winter.

Colleen Chambers reached out to Enterprise to discuss some errors in the statements the county had received. The County had been charged finance charges. Enterprise agreed it was in error and have since removed the charges and credited the account.

Jason is going to go ahead and get quotes and would like to get mowers ordered.

They do not have to be paid for until delivery and that is still a year out.

They also have an open position due to an employee's retirement.

HEALTH – Jenny Eads and Erich Haley

The Commissioners thanked Jenny for keeping up with the grants during the separation.

A new nurse has been hired. She will ultimately be working for Fountain County in January. There has been some misunderstanding about who will be training her.

Her start date is supposed to be November 1st. Dr. Hesler has agreed to put her

under his insurance for the time being so that she will be able to practice. There is a need for more discussion between the counties to figure out the next steps in the separation.

EMA – Joe Whitaker

He has received 4 quotes for the sirens that need repair. He had already received \$10,000 for repairs but with the total of the quotes leaves him \$15,091.08 short.

Quotes:

- Narrowband Kenwood: \$1,065.00
- Cates, IN \$7,000.86
- Kingman, IN \$7,795.36
- Lake Hide-a-Way, IN \$9,229.86

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to approve an additional in the amount of \$16,000 and send it on to the Council for approval. Vote: 3-0

LANDFILL – Greg Robison

The landfill is now in compliance with the State on everything but the wells. Bell Excavating is working on the road and will be doing some reseeding. IDEM will be inspecting the compost area for the Recycling Center on October 11, 2022.

Commissioners- Miscellaneous

IMPA will be drawing up new Resolutions. They have accepted all of the changes that were proposed and it will be ready for the next meeting.

Tim Shumaker was honored to be apart of a celebration for Lance corporal Bryan Chambers and the ceremony for his home that he received from Homes for Our Troops. He stressed if someone is looking for somewhere to donate, that this was an amazing organization. They have built 345 homes across the country and are working on many more.

BT Reynolds gave a quote of \$10,970.00 to replace the handler on the south side of the roof of the courthouse. It is 30 plus years old and is on its way out. They have repaired it multiple times, but it will not last much longer.

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to approve the BT Reynolds quote. Vote: 3-0

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2022
AT 9:00 A.M.**

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

Cousser Chambers
ATTEST

Brenda Hardy
Tim Shumaker
