

**MINUTES  
FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
NOVEMBER 19, 2018  
6:30 P.M.**

**The following Fountain County Commissioners were present at the meeting:  
Craig Stalter and Don Hesler. Tim Shumaker was absent.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT – NONE**

**EMA PRESENTATION –Sharon Gerlach, IDHS**

She gave a presentation to the Commissioners about the importance of the work that Joe Whitaker does for the EMA. The County Readiness Assessment is basically a checklist of all the things that a county needs to be prepared in the threat of a disaster. The more of the items in the assessment that are completed the more money and attention the county will receive from FEMA. Sharon commented several times that Joe is doing a wonderful job making sure the county has everything completed.

**Wind Farm concerns - Connie Scott**

Concerns were expressed about windfarms coming into the county. Montgomery County already has some and there has been many complaints from the residents. If they were to come into the County, they are allowed to build them 1200-1500ft away from a property. She has also done research that shows that there is a negative impact to rural residential property and can cause health problems.

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Don Hesler and seconded by Craig Stalter to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2018 meeting as presented. Vote: 2-0

**CLAIMS #1- 180 / Payroll Claims**

A motion was made by Don Hesler and seconded by Craig Stalter to approve the Claims. Vote: 2-0

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

**County Highway - Bud Peach**

Jimmie Hardy is retiring after 41 years. Bud requested that they close 2 hours early on November 29, 2018 to have a retirement party for Jimmie.

**EMA - Joe Whitaker**

He had a declaration for a County Advisory during weather restriction for the roads for the Commissioners to sign.

**Assessor - Sandy Whitaker**

She approached the Commissioners about a contract with Tax Management Associates (TMA) to try and find funds for the county. This is a Proposal for Business Personal Property Audit Services. The service doesn't cost anything to do, only if they find money for the county do they take a percentage. They requested that the company come to the next meeting and explain more about what they do.

**Paws N Claws** – The Commissioners would like to see report figures for the 2018 year from Paws N Claws.

**CBA – Permission to display decorations on lawn and concert in gazebo on December 1, 2018.**

A motion was made by Don Hesler and seconded by Craig Stalter to approve the request. Vote: 2-0

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE MONDAY,  
DECEMBER 3, 2018 8:30 A.M.**

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Attest-Brenda Hardy

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Craig Stalter

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Don Hesler

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Tim Shumaker

**MINUTES  
Drainage Board Meeting  
November 19, 2018 @ 7:00PM**

The following board members were present at the meeting:  
Craig Stalter, Don Hesler.

Also in attendance were:  
County Attorney, Terry Martin and Auditor, Brenda Hardy.

**COFFING DRAIN**

Raise assessment fee from \$1.75 to \$2.00 for Coffing Drain for 2018 payable 2019 to recover loan of \$60,000 that wasn't repaid from work done in Nov 20, 2006.  
(Assessment can be raised up to 25% without public hearing.)

A motion was made by Don Hesler and seconded by Craig Stalter to approve the Assessment change. Vote: 2-0

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