

MINUTES
FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY 4, 2022
8:30 A.M.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Henry Schmidt – He was asking the status on the quote from USI. Roger Azar will let him know when he receives something from them. They have raised \$170,000-\$180,000 so far from outside sources.

Maxine Marxmiller – (Chris Marxmiller's Mom)

She came to represent her son in his request to vacate alley ways in Stringtown. There is a Statutory Process that needs to be followed. First thing they need to do is petition the County to have the alleyways vacated. The cost would be to the property owner. They will be speaking to the County Attorney for further information.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2022 meeting as presented. Vote: 3-0

CLAIMS #1-77 \$154,427.23 & Monthly Claims, unpublished claims \$2,688,533.03 & Payroll Claims \$250,383.32

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

APPOINTMENTS

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to appoint Brenda Hardy as President of the Board of Commissioners for 2022.

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to appoint Andrew Hall as Vice-President of the Board of Commissioners for 2022.

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Brenda Hardy to appoint Tim Shumaker as Secretary of the Board of Commissioners for 2022. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to appoint Brenda Hardy as President of the Drainage Board for 2022. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve Kent Minnette and his firm (Taylor, Chadd, Minnette, Schneider & Clutter, PC) for County Attorney for 2022. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve Garth Kagels as the EMS Director for 2022. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to appoint Rusty Peevler as County Highway Superintendent until a new one can be hired for 2022. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to appoint Travis Covault as Assistant County Highway Superintendent for 2022. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to approve Bob Cates as Veteran Service Officer for 2022. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to appoint Andrew Hall to the LEPC Board for 2022. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to appoint Brenda Hardy to the Board of Finance for 2022. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and was seconded by Brenda Hardy to appoint Andrew Hall to the Community Action Program Board for 2022. Vote: 3-0

INSURANCE COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to appoint the following to the Insurance Committee for 2022.

Brenda Hardy Vote: 3-0

Commissioner Council Member

Colleen Chambers Kim Johnson
 (The council will appoint a member along with the Auditor and the Payroll/HR Clerk.)

JAIL COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Brenda Hardy to appoint Tim Shumaker to the Jail Committee for 2022.

Terry Holt Colleen Chambers Vote: 3-0

EMA ADVISORY BOARD

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to appoint Andrew Hall to the EMA Advisory Board for 2022. Vote: 3-0

DISTRICT PLANNING COMMISSION -TABLED**PLAN COMMISSION**

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Brenda Hardy to appoint Tim Shumaker to the Fountain County Plan Commission for 2022. Vote: 3-0

CEMETERY COMMISSION

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to appoint Bob Shephard to the Cemetery Commission. Vote: 3-0

REGION 4 WORKFORCE

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Brenda Hardy to appoint Andrew Hall as the Region 4 Workforce System County Chief Elected Official to serve as a member of the Region 4 Workforce Service Area's Executive Council. Vote: 3-0

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE BOARD

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to appoint Roger Foster on the Alcoholic Beverage Board for 2022. Vote: 3-0

TRUSTEES OF FOUNTAIN COUNTY FOR EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to appoint Brenda Hardy as trustee for the employee benefit trust. Vote: 3-0
 (The council will appoint a member along with the auditor and the payroll clerk.)

E-911 Board

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to appoint Brenda Hardy to the E-911 Board. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to appoint Garth Kagels to the E-911 Board. Vote: 3-0

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to appoint Andrew Krout to the E-911 Board. Vote: 3-0

Coroner Van

Coroner Van was delivered. Payments for the van need to be figured out. Enterprise will take care of applying for the plates on the vehicle. Count Council will need to decide where to take the funds from.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**Highway – Rusty Peevler**

He will be picking up a snow plow on Tuesday, January 5th, 2021 and a second one will be available for pickup in 2 weeks.

The total patcher is outdated.

Mountain Road has become an issue. Heavy semi and trash truck traffic from Montgomery County. They need to figure out how they can get the road repaired and whose expense. The portable office building is available. There are 2 options. 12x20 \$12,504.08 or 12x28 \$16,612.83.

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the purchase of the 12x28 portable office building for the County Highway in the amount of \$16,612.83.

Vote: 3-0

Ambulance – Garth Kagels

New Truck is coming in on the 10th.

One of the trucks is being repaired due to a recall on the DEF system.

Roger Azar came over to the EMS building to look at the septic system. Since the pipes connect in the middle of the living space under concrete, it makes the options harder. They either would have to put a manhole in the living quarters, reroute everything or have a roto roter on hand to clean out as needed.

The commissioners agree to look into purchasing a roto roter or call a plumber as needed.

Roger Azar is interested in the Green Army Ambulance for the minimum bid of \$5,000.

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to agree to sell the Green Army Ambulance to Roger Azar in the amount of \$5,000.

Vote: 3-0

Sheriff – Andrew Hall spoke on their behalf about the body cameras.

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the purchase of the body cameras in the amount of \$176,358.00 using ARPA funds or funds agreed upon by the County Council.

Vote: 3-0

Clerk – Paula Copenhaver

She asked for a website update. The website is still in the planning stages and will not be ready for a while.

Also, the district Ordinance was due and she needed a copy.

ENCUMBRANCE – from 2021 Budget**Assessor**

1188-0000-33080 to 1224-0000-33080 Website Reassessment Budget \$8,000

A motion was made by Andrew Hall and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the request and encumber \$8,000 out of the 2021 Reassessment Budget.

Vote: 3-0

Invitation to Fundraiser

Kingman – Dr. Douglas Frank Mathematician

Election integrity / Covid -19

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Andrew Hall to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: 3-0

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE MONDAY,
JANUARY 18, 2022 9:00 AM**

Colleen Chambers
ATTEST

Brenda Hardy
Brenda Hardy

Andrew Hall
Andrew Hall

Tim Shumaker
Tim Shumaker