

REGULAR MEETING**RUSH COUNTY COUNCIL****MARCH 10, 2021**

The Rush County Council met for the regular Rush County Council meeting on Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. with County Council Members Charles Smith, Denny Corn, Amy Grocox, Janet Kile, Kyle Gardner, Scott Barnes and Carl Harcourt. Auditor, Tammy Justice and County Attorney, Leigh Morning were in attendance. Commissioner Mark Bacon and Commissioner Paul Wilkinson were in attendance.

Chairman Charles Smith called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Chairman Charles Smith welcome newest councilman Amy Grocox.

Minutes of the March 10, 2020 regular meeting were reviewed. Denny Corn made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Carl Harcourt seconded. Motion carried.

Carl Harcourt made motion to Appoint Joe Whitfield to the Henry Henley Public Library Board. Denny Corn seconded. All in favored. Motion carried.

EMA

Discussion was held for a Request for Grant Application from the Drain Board for Pre Disaster Multi. The Commissioners approve the grant on March 1, 2021. Janet Kile made motion to approve a Request for Grant Application from the Drainage Board for Pre Disaster Multi. Kyle Gardner seconded. All in favored. Motion carried.

Discussion was also held on the Request for Grant Application from the Emergency Management for Multi Hazard Mitigation Plan. Scott Barnes made a motion to approve to sign the Request for Grant Application from the Emergency Management for Multi Hazard Mitigation Plan. Denny Corn seconded. All in favored. Motion carried.

ASSESSOR

Assessor, Mary Ann Bridges request that the Part Time Rate of \$12.00 per hour be raised to \$100.00 per day for the PTABOA. Kyle Gardner made the motion to increase from \$12.00 to \$100.00 per day for the PTABOA. Scott Barnes seconded. All in favored. Motion carried.

TREASURER

Treasurer, Jodi Harr gave an update on the investments. In January, 2020 the County earned \$24,672 and in January, 2021 the county earned 944.00.

AUDITOR/TREASURER

Treasurer, Jodi Harr and Auditor, Tammy Justice presented to the council issues with fixed assets and the changes to the reporting infrastructure fixed assets. Treasurer and Auditor asked for \$6,000.00 to hire Ron Heller to create data for the reporting of fixed assets. The Auditor does not have that in her budget and requested to council approve use funds from the Commissioner Budget from Council Use Only line. Janet Kile made motion to approve to use the funds from the Commissioner Budget Council Use Only line. Kyle Gardner seconded. All in favored. Motion carried.

Councilman Scott Barnes left the meeting.

AUDITOR

Discussion was held for additional appropriation for \$500,000.00 for construction of work done in 2020 on Jail. This was not budgeted for year 2021. Janet Kile made motion to approve Additional Appropriation 500,000.00 in Capital Outlays. Carl Harcourt seconded. Janet Kile, Denny Corn, Amy Grocox, Kyle Gardner, Carl Harcourt and Charlie Smith were in favored. Scott Barnes was not present for the vote.

HEALTH

Julia Apple gave an updated report as of February, 2021. 12,000 people have started getting their vaccine.

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Paul Wilkinson gave an update on roof. Discussion was held on pricing of the roof for 3.6 million traditional bidding and 1.6 million with the JOC contract. The commissioners are leaning towards the 1.6 million with the JOC contract.

Commissioner Mark Back gave an update on the Leak in the roof, cracks on the floor and patch on the wall of the new Jail. Also discussion was held on storage building

Councilman Scott Barnes came back to meeting.

Sheriff

Sheriff Allan Rice gave an update on 2020 inmates. They collected \$49,575.00 for housing inmates from other counties.

Sheriff Allan Rice talked about the Sheriff Retirement plan disbursement. He would like for it to be paid sooner than October of every year. The Auditor and Treasurer will look to see if we can pay for it sooner.

Carl Harcourt made the motion to adjourn. Kyle Gardner seconded. Motion carried.

/CHARLES SMITH/
Charles Smith, Chairman

Scott Barnes

/DENNY CORN
Denny Corn

/JANET KILE/
Janet Kile

/KYLE GARDNER/
Kyle Gardner

/CARL HARCOURT/
Carl Harcourt

/AMY GROCOX
Amy Grocox

ATTEST:

/TAMMY JUSTICE/
Tammy Justice, Auditor