

REGULAR SESSION RUSH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS April 12, 2021

The Rush County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, April 12, 2021 with Commissioners, Mark Bacon, Paul Wilkinson and Ron Jarman present. Auditor Tammy Justice and County Attorney Leigh Morning was also present.

Mark Bacon called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with the Pledge to the American Flag.

MINUTES

- Minutes of the Regular Session held on March 29, 2021 were presented. Ron Jarman made the motion to approve. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

- Accounts Payable claims for April 12, 2021, in the amount of \$443,367.74 were presented. Paul Wilkinson made the motion to approve the claims. Ron Jarman seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

PAYROLL

- Payroll for April 16, 2021, in the amount of \$126,927.48 was approved on a motion by Ron Jarman. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

JAIL

- Megan Tate discussed the change order for the soap dispensers. Ron Jarman made a motion to approve the change order for the soap dispensers. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried
- Megan Tate discussed the other issues with Jail. There was concrete in the sewer line and repairs to reattach to storm drains were done.
- Discussion was held on who was mowing the parking lot. The commissioners will check with Singletons who already do the courthouse lawn.
- Continue issues with the leak in the roof, cracks, and gaps in the doors. Megan has contacted John Painter and Eric Ratts about the issues. County Attorney, Leigh Morning will send another letter to address these issues again.

Auditor

- Commissioner Ron Jarman made a motion to approve the Amended Ordinance for the Cumulative Capital Development Fund Under IND Code 36-9-14.5 rate of .0333. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

H.R.

- HR Director Tony Personett had a discussion on Covid Sick Leave. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to end the special Covid Sick Leave effective May 1, 2021. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All in favored. Motion carried. Commissioner Paul Wilkinson indicated that if the employee is off for Covid, they will have to use their sick, personal, or vacation days.
- Tony Personett presented a document, UMR Summary of Modification to be signed. These changes were sent to the commissioners and discussed by the insurance committee last fall. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to sign the UMR Summary of Modification. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All in favored. Motion carried.
- Tony Personett discussed employee personal days from last year adjustment carrying over vacation days. County Attorney, Leigh Morning indicated that the letter that was sent to the employees last year only stated vacation days not personal days. Commissioner Paul Wilkinson stated we need to stay with that and not confuse the issue.
- Tony Personett indicated that the Clerk would like to advertise for 2 part-time being paid from the Clerk's Perpetuation Fund. It would be 10-15 hours a week at \$12.00 per hour to help straighten records and clean up in the attic. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to approve 2 temporary part time positions for the Clerk's office. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All in favored. Motion carried.

Solid Waste

- Carol Yeend indicated on April 24, 2021 there will be Drug take Back Program at Rush Memorial Hospital from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

I.T.

- Randy Herbert discussed due to all the hacks on cyber we will moving everything over to Microsoft 365 for security purposes.

EXTENSION

- Carly Holland had a discussion on Audrey's approval for comp hours during fair week for this year. Audrey estimated that she worked 92 comp hours during a 2 week period for the year 2019. County Attorney Leigh Morning indicated The Commissioners would have to approve the comp hours since it is different from the employee policy in regards to comp time. Paul Wilkinson stated if this could be approved by 1st of May would that be acceptable. Carly Holland agreed.

AREA PLAN

- Area Plan Director, Gregg Duke held discussion on HB 1381.

EMA

- Chuck Kemker discussed more of cyber issues. He also discussed HCC Board has extra funds for the mask trailer.

HIGHWAY

- Superintendent Jerry Sitton presented his Monthly Report. Discussion was held on the detour on State Road 3 under construction for the replacement of a bridge deck in Rush County and Commercial Motor vehicles on the detour. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to approve an Ordinance Prohibiting Commercial Motor Vehicles and Establishing a Temporary Maximum Speed Limit. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All in favored. Motion carried.

SHERIFF

- Sheriff Allan Rice presented to the commissioners for approval on the Stellar Agreement. Discussion was on held on the equipment that will removed and covered by Stellar agreement with no charge to the county. Ron Jarman made a motion to approve and sign the Stellar Agreement. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All in favored. Motion carried.
- Sheriff Allan Rice also presented to the commissioner for approval for the Flock Agreement. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to approve and sign the trial period Flock Agreement.
- Discussion was held on HB 1190 for Heavy Trucks.
- Sheriff Allan Rice is looking to use funds from the seizure fund for reconstruction equipment which is digital base. He can use this in crime scene. He will notify council at their next meeting.

COMMISSIONERS

- Discussion was held on the American Rescue Plan. Paul made a motion to establish An Ordinance Creating a New Fund for the Receipt of Funding from the American Rescue Plan as adopted by Congress in 2021. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All in favored. Motion carried.
- Sheriff Alan Rice would like to have an Executive Meeting on Personnel issues. Paul Wilkinson made a motion for an Executive Meeting scheduled on April 14, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All in favored. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on 2A Movement. Commissioner Ron Jarman would like to discuss in the next meeting.

Commissioner Paul Wilkinson made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Ron Jarman seconded. All in favored. Motion carried.

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Mark Bacon, Chairman

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Paul Wilkinson

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Ron Jarman

ATTEST:

/Tammy Justice/ _____
Tammy Justice, Auditor