

**REGULAR SESSION RUSH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARCH 15, 2021**

The Rush County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, March 15, 2021, with Commissioners, Paul Wilkinson and Ron Jarman present. Commissioner Mark Bacon was absent. Auditor Tammy Justice and County Attorney Leigh Morning were present.

Paul Wilkinson 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 1, 2021 were presented. Ron Jarman made the motion to approve. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

- Accounts Payable claims for March 15, 2021, in the amount of \$154,476.29 were presented. Ron Jarman made the motion to approve the claims. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

PAYROLL

- Payroll for March 19, 2021, in the amount of \$194,658.10 was approved on a motion by Ron Jarman. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer

- Treasurer report for month ending February 28, 2021, was approved on a motion by Ron Jarman. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

AUDITOR

- Contract from Ronald Heller in the amount of 6,000.00 to set up a spreadsheet for Auditing Fix Assets. Commissioner Ron Jarman made a motion to approve the Contract with Ronald Heller. Commissioner Paul Wilkinson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- There is a new version of the Incarcerated Offenders Provider Agreement with Indiana Family & Social Services Administration. Attorney Leigh Morning indicated the only thing different was the date range. The new version date are January 1, 2021, though, December 31, 2023. Commissioner Ron Jarman made a motion to approve to sign. Commissioner Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

EMA

- EMA Director Chuck Kemker presented the 2019 Pre-Disaster Mitigation grant. There is a match that comes from the county \$8,000-10,000. Commissioner Ron Jarman made a motion to approve the 2019 Pre-Disaster Mitigation grant. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

HR

- Discussion was held on the Protocol on not taking temperatures when people are entering the building. We are not requiring the temperature to be taken when entering the building however mask are still required. Julia Apple from Health Department indicated at least 6 months of wearing the masks. Security Offices will continue to be there. Commissioner Ron Jarman made a motion to approve to change protocol on Temperature check and Public use of the Assemble Room. Seconded by Commissioner Paul Wilkinson. All in favor. Motion carried.
- Tony informed the Commissioners that April 16, 2021 pay will only be for one week pay and last year we waived the health premium for employee and employer. Everyone should be on 2 week behind schedule.

Chamber of Commerce

- Sandra Fussner gave an update that the Chamber has a new calendar and there are still lots of places hiring.

SOLID WASTE

- Carol Yeend indicated that Toxaway Day will be April 10, 2021.

EXTENSION

- Director, Carly Holland is compiling the details of the new position. She also had a question on Comp Time. During the fair her employees usually have comp time. Commissioner Paul Wilkinson asked if she could provide an outline or plan for the fair hours and present it back to the commissioners.

JAIL

- Megan gave update on Jail issues. Continue issues with the soap dispensers, floor cracks, and cameras. Some of the cameras were not set up correctly and 32 cameras were discontinued. Commissioner Ron Jarman indicated that we need to get newer models so we can stop having issues.

SHERIFF

- Sheriff Allan Rice also indicated that the soap dispensers are all stainless steel and that is why they are rusting. Discussion was held on an Agreement to upgrade the inmate phone system.

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

Mark Bacon, Chairman

/Paul Wilkinson/
Paul Wilkinson

/Ron Jarman
Ron Jarman

ATTEST:

/Tammy Justice/
Tammy Justice, Auditor