The Rush County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, August 2, 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 July 19, 2021 were presented. Ron Jarman made the motion to approve. Mark Bacon seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS**
- Accounts Payable claims for August 2, 2021 in the amount of $271,847.44 were presented. Paul Wilkinson made the motion to approve the claims Ron Jarman seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Accounts Payable claims for August 3, 2021 in the amount of $11,875.00 were presented. This is the Final Retainage and Back Charge for JC Ripberger Construction Corp. Paul Wilkinson made the motion to approve the claims Ron Jarman seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**PAYROLL**
- Payroll for August 6, 2021, in the amount of $196,499.88 was approved on a motion by Ron Jarman. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**SENIOR CENTER**
- Tina Logan presented the quarterly Report. Tina indicated the payout for last quarter was revised with a $2,000 difference and it was approved by INDOT. The camera and the midsize bus has been approved for 2022. Paul Made motion to approve and sign the quarterly report. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**JAIL**
- Megan Tate discussed the email that was sent out in regards to group purchasing discounts through Gordon foods and it was signed Friday. Paul Wilkinson move to approve and sign GPO Program with Gordon Foods. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Megan gave an update on the water softener.
Clerk

- Clerk gave an update on the work that she had done in the Attic. Clerk wants to continue want the temporary employees part time during their school breaks. The Commissioners were in agreeance to continue.

Health

- Julia Apple gave an update on the number of covid cases and we ended July with 26 cases. Our numbers are increases.

HR

- HR Director, Tony Personett presented an update on the medical plan for the employees UMR changes for the upcoming year for approval. Ron Jarman made a motion to approve the changes for medical on health insurance. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

EMA

- EMA Director, Chuck Kemker gave an update on the grant for his salary was increased from 18,000.00 to 21,645.00. Auditor will adjust the grant application.

Highway

- Highway Superintendent, Jerry Sitton presented his monthly Report for July. Jerry also needs approval for Bridge 127 Plans and it is schedule for December 7, 2021. Bridge 63 was changed to November 11, 2021. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to approval and sign Bridge 127 Plans. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Commissioners

- Discussions were held on bid specs for the courthouse roof. Paul Wilkinson made motion to approve Bid Specs from Arsee Engineering. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All were in favor. Motion carried. Ron Jarman made a motion for Paul Wilkinson to be the Owners Representative. Seconded by Mark Bacon. All were in favor. Motion carried.

- Discussion was held on the ARP Funds Ordinance. Ron Jarman made the motion to approve Ordinance Establishing the Spending Plan for Funds Received From the American Rescue Plan in Fund #8950 as Approved by the Rush County Commissioner. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.
AUDITOR
- Auditor, Tammy Justice held discussion on a request for the GIS Data Sharing Agreement with Trimble Maps. Trimble Maps did not fill out the form. No action at this time by the Commissioners.
- Auditor received an Assignment of Lease by the Crossroads Family Farms. Discussion was held. Commissioners will take no action at this time and Attorney, Leigh Morning will send a letter.

COMMISSIONERS
- Commissioner, Ron Jarman gave an update on Broadband. Ron and Carol Yeend are working on a request for a proposal and will have Rush County Attorney, Leigh Morning review it before next meeting.
- Discussion was held on Landscaping.
- Ron Jarman indicated there is an application process for the Historic Society for the Roof and needs approval to sign. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to have Ron Jarman be the Representative of the Historic Society and sign the application. Seconded by Mark Bacon. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Ron Jarman gave update on the walkways and sidewalks.

Commissioner Ron Jarman made motion to adjourn. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All favor. Motion carried.

/Mark Bacon/ /Paul Wilkinson/ /Ron Jarman/
Mark Bacon, Chairman Paul Wilkinson Ron Jarman

ATTEST:
/Tammy Justice/
Tammy Justice, Auditor