

## **REGULAR SESSION RUSH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

November 19, 2021

The Rush County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Friday, November 19, 2021 with Commissioners, Mark Bacon, Paul Wilkinson and Ron Jarman present. Auditor Tammy Justice and County Attorney Leigh Morning were 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 November 8, 2021 were presented. Paul Wilkinson made the motion to approve. Ron Jarman seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **CLAIMS**

- Accounts Payable claims for November 22, 2021 in the amount of \$98,453.12 were presented. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to approve the claims. Ron Jarman seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **PAYROLL**

- Payroll for November 24, 2021, in the amount of \$195,059.45 was approved on a motion by Ron Jarman. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **TREASURER**

- Treasurer Jodi Harr presented her Treasurer Report Ending October 31, 2021 for approval. Ron Jarman made a motion to approve the report. Ron Jarman seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **HR**

- HR Director, Tony Personett requested for an approval to hire Joe McKeown as a Part Time Jailor. Ron Jarman made a motion to approve. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Personett also indicated that he received a resignation letter from Howard Storms. Personett requested approval to hire Julie Brown as a Full Time Jailor. Ron Jarman made a motion to approve to hire Julie Brown as a Full Time Jailor. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Personett also presented to the Commissioners for an approval for the Duke Energy Efficiency Proposal Application Agreement for \$2,152.55. Ron Jarman made the motion to approve and to sign the Application Agreement. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on the Vaccination and Testing update.

### **JAIL**

- Megan Take presented to the Commissioners a snow removal quote from Vogel's for the Jail and Courthouse.

## **APC**

- APC Director, Greg Duke indicated that the APC Board will be reviewing the Commissioners CAPO study request.
- Duke presented to the Commissioners for approval on the Zoning Ordinance amendment and Certificate of Adoption to amend Sections 1 through 6.2 of the official zoning ordinance text of Rush County. Discussion was held. Ron Jarman made a motion to approve. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

## **HEALTH**

- Julia Apple requested approval for the Health Board new member Debra Burkhardt. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to approve Debra Burkhardt to the Health Board. Ron Jarman seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Julia Apple requested an approval for Grant Agreement Application for \$100,000 extension pass through grant to RMH. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to extend the Grant Application pass through to Rush Memorial Hospital. Ron Jarman seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on a need of Animal Bite Ordinance.

## **BIDS FOR STORAGE BUILDING**

- Leigh Morning open 1 bid from Emerald Group Inc. in the amount of \$797,000.00. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to reject the bid from Emerald Group Inc. Ron Jarman seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

## **HIGHWAY**

- Highway Superintendent, Jerry Sitton discussed Bridge 63 is \$250,000 over budget. Discussion was held. Ron Jarman made a motion to come up with additional money of \$250,000.00 on Bridge 63. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

## **SHERIFF**

- Sheriff, Allan Rice indicated the sidewalk/slab is completed by the Jail. Sheriff Rice received resignation from Dispatcher Kayla Lathrop. Ron Jarman made a motion to advertise for Dispatcher position and the positions in the Jail. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

## **RECORDER**

- Paul Wilkinson made a motion to approve and sign the Maintenance Agreement with CSI-Computer Systems. Ron Jarman seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

## **COMMISSIONERS**

- Attorney Leigh Morning presented for approval of a 2022 Ordinance Adopting a Capital Improvement Plan for Rush County. Ron Jarman made a motion to approve. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Attorney Morning indicated the Bonds for the Roof were sold to Baker Group for \$3,180,000.00 at 1.664 % and the premiums on the bond sale will be an additional \$14,000.00 which will go in the construction account. If the

\$14,000.00 is still available after construction in 2 years we could use that to pay down the bonds.

- Discussion was held on Extension Contractual Service Contract. Ron Jarman made a motion to renegotiate and look at the Extension Contractual Service. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion Carried.
- Discussion on the Henry Henley Proposal Resolution. Paul Wilkinson will schedule a meeting. There is not enough information provided.
- Auditor, Tammy Justice presented for approval the Work Comp IPEP Underwriting Survey. Ron Jarman made a motion to approve and sign. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried
- Paul Wilkinson discussed that he has been in contact with Joshua Burnheart with Train Technologies. They have a program that can monitor products for a computer line and possibly tell where some of inefficiencies to that products breakdown are. Discussion was held.
- Discussion was held on Broadband
- Discussion was held on Longevity.

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

/Mark Bacon/  
Mark Bacon, Chairman

/Paul Wilkinson/  
Paul Wilkinson

/Ron Jarman/  
Ron Jarman

ATTEST:

/Tammy Justice/  
Tammy Justice, Auditor