

REGULAR SESSION RUSH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS February 14, 2022

The Rush County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday February 14, 2022, with Commissioners Mark Bacon, Paul Wilkinson and Ron Jarman present. Auditor Tammy Justice and County Attorney Leigh Morning were 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 January 31, 2022, were presented. Ron Jarman made the motion to approve. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

- Accounts Payable claims for February 14, 2022 in the amount of \$416,672.05 were presented. Ron Jarman made a motion to approve the claims. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

PAYROLL

- Payroll for February 18, 2022, in the amount of \$213,434.82 was approved on a motion by Paul Wilkinson. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All were in favor. Motion carried.

FSG

- Greg Guerrettaz from FSG discussed the 2022 Proposed Agreement relating to Professional Services for Rush County. Discussion was held on potential changes in personal property. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to approve and sign the 2022 Proposed Agreement relating to Professional Services for Rush County. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All were in favor. Motion carried.

TREASURER

- Treasurer Jodi Harr held discussion on the January 31, 2022 monthly financial report.

HUMAN RESOURCES

- HR Director, Tony Personett is seeking permission to post a position for a Deputy Assessor. Ron Jarman made the motion to approve. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Personett also discussed the maintenance position to move back the application date to March 11, 2022.

AREA PLAN

- Area Plan Director Gregg Duke held discussion on a public hearing held on February 9, 2022 regarding the amendment of section 7.0 through 7.4 of the Rush County Zoning Ordinance. The Rush County Area Plan Commission

voted with a favorable recommendation. Discussion was held. Ron Jarman made the motion to approve the amendment. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY

- Highway Superintendent Jerry Sitton presented the quarterly report.
- Superintendent Sitton is seeking approval to accept the bid with Dave O'Mara Contractor for the bridges deck overlays and approaches of 25 bridges. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to approve and sign the agreement with Dave O'Mara. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All were in favor. Motion carried. Ron Jarman made a motion to sign the Form 96 and approve the contract with Dave O'Mara Contractor. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

9:30 Commissioner Mark Bacon recessed for the Milroy Unofficial Detour Bids. Rush County Attorney, Leigh Morning opened the bids.

1. Crims & Sons Total Bid \$228,995.50
2. Paul Rohe Company Total Bid \$210,040.88
3. All Star Paving Total Bid \$246,949.35
4. Robertson Paving Total Bid \$242,403.16
5. David O'Mara Total Bid \$195,689.06

County Attorney Leigh Morning noted there was no E-verify statement included with the low bid from David O'Mara. Commissioner Paul Wilkinson made a motion to accept low bidder David O'Mara and requested an E-verify statement be provided at the time the contract is signed. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All were in favor. Motion carried. Ron Jarman made a motion to sign the Form 96. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mark Bacon reconvened the regular session meeting.

EXTENSION

- Carly Holland is seeking approval for the contract for contractual services covering January 1 through December 31, 2022. Discussion was held. Holland will ask for documentation and new contract for the contractual services.

JAIL

- Megan Tate indicated that the Jail roof is leaking. Discussion was held. Auditor will provide Rush County Attorney Leigh Morning with the bond for the contractor Horning Construction to proceed to get this rectified.
- Tate also discussed having issues with lights and bad connections in the Jail.

EMA

- EMA Director, Chuck Kemker discussed the Multi Mitigation Disaster Plan. Discussion held. Discussion was also held on the Mitigation Strategies.

SHERIFF

- Sheriff Allan Rice indicated the camera systems hard drive is going bad. Discussion was held. Ron Jarman indicated that we are waiting on a quote.
- Sheriff indicated that the jail population is currently at 73.

GIS

- Auditor Tammy Justice presented a request from Rush County GIS Specialist Cathy Pratt. Rockford Map Publishers is seeking permission to obtain Rush County GIS Data. The Rockford Map Publishers did provide a signed GIS data agreement. Discussion was held. Ron approved to give Rockford Map Publishers the GIS data. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. Motion carried.

CUM CAP RATE

- Auditor Tammy Justice is seeking permission to advertise to hold a public hearing on reestablishing the Cum Cap Rate of \$.0333 on March 21, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. at the Rush County Courthouse Assembly room. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to advertise. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All were in favor. Motion carried.

BROADBAND

- Paul Wilkinson made the motion to approve and sign the Engagement Letter for Legal Services from Bose McKinney and Evans in connection with Broadband Deployment. Seconded by Ron Jarman. All were in favor. Motion carried.

MISC

- Commissioner Mark Bacon indicated that there were issues with the air handlers on the 3rd floor. It was concluded that there is issues with thermostat.
- Commissioner Ron Jarman received a quote of \$1,750.00 from Cameron Tree Service through Butch Singleton to cut down the leaning tree in front of the Courthouse, trimming the tree on the east side and removal of shrubs. Discussion was held on trimming the tree on the east side. Paul Wilkinson made a motion to not exceed \$1,750.00 to cut down the leaning tree in front of the Courthouse and removal of shrubs. Seconded by Mark Bacon. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Ron Jarmon made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Paul Wilkinson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

/Mark Bacon/
Mark Bacon, Chairman

/Paul Wilkinson/
Paul Wilkinson

/Ron Jarman/
Ron Jarman

ATTEST:
/Tammy Justice/
Tammy Justice, Auditor