

MINUTES OF THE CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

December 29, 2022

9:00 A.M.

The Clinton County Commissioners met for a regular meeting on December 29, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Clinton County Courthouse, 125 Courthouse Square, Frankfort, IN 46041.

Commissioner Jordan Brewer called the meeting to order with the following members shown to be present or absent:

PRESENT

Jordan Brewer
Josh Uitts
Bert Weaver

ABSENT

Others in attendance were Commissioner Assistant Jerri Sexton, Rick Campbell, Rich Kelly, Ken Harshman, Britt Ostler, and others are shown to be present in the minutes. Commissioner's Assistant Jerri Sexton recorded the minutes.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Brewer led the pledge of allegiance.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments were received.

IN THE MATTER OF LEGAL HELP KIOSK

Judge Brad Mohler stated they received some information from the Indiana Bar Foundation regarding the legal help kiosk, and presented it to the commissioners. He stated it will help with public access to self help legal documents for people choosing to represent themselves. He and the clerk elect thought the stand alone kiosk would be the best option. There is no cost to the county the first year and the county would be responsible for the toner and paper after the first year. Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the kiosk contract, seconded by Commissioner Uitts. Motion carried 3-0. Judge Mohler will have the agreement updated with the commissioners' information and will get it signed at a later date.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Uitts motioned to accept the Warren Landscaping LLC bid for 2023 mowing of county properties. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Brewer noted that there was no price change to the Warren Landscaping.

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the county attorney contract for Tom Little. Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the communications consultant proposal in the amount of \$22,500 for the year with Tammy Sander, Mother of Pearls. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Brewer stated that the Commissioners and Council will use this service initially on a trial basis and then it will expand to other departments.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

The commissioners discussed, and then decided to end the current COVID policy and revert back to the previous sick time policy noting that if things change they could quickly re-establish the policy if needed.

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the bonds for Gina Brettnacher, Britt Ostler, Stephanie Harshbarger, Beth Keeney, Ed Cripe, and Rich Kelly. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Chris Overman reported that he had asked Irish Mechanics for an HVAC quote and they did not show and will reach back out to them next week.

Chris stated that the residents have a huge amount of money in their fund. He would like to replace the chairs in their TV room and replace the hospital mattresses. He will be returning to get approval to move the money over to supplies so that he can make those purchases.

Sheriff Kelly reported he had the conflict of interest for Ashley Kelly, and the contract for commissary with a straight salary. He will email it to the commissioners. He had some issues with the walk in freezer with the low temperatures and will be working with their maintenance people to block the wind. There are some minor issues with the fire inspection and will need some general maintenance.

Sheriff Kelly reported that he had a price increase from Warren Landscaping along with some invoicing issues. Their contract is separate from the commissioners. He will try to do the mowing with inmates in the future.

Rick Campbell updated the commissioners on the previous snow storm and issues they had, and how their schedule adapted to keep the roads clear.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Weaver thanked the Highway Department, EMS, EMA, and Sheriff Department for their pre-planning for the snow storm.

Commissioner Brewer on behalf of the commissioners thanked Dana Myers, and Rhea Harris for their service.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the following claims as submitted, Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Friday claims dated December 16, 2022 in the amount of \$8,220.96
Bi-weekly claims dated December 29, 2022 in the amount of \$171,063.68
Court claims dated December 29, 2022 in the amount of \$9,404.95

IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the payroll as submitted, Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

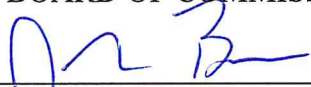
Payroll dated December 16, 2022 in the amount of \$439,962.43

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER MINUTES

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve regular meeting minutes dated December 20, 2022, seconded by Commissioner Brewer Motion carried 2-0. Commissioner Uitts abstained.

Without any further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Uitts motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Weaver 9:24 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLINTON COUNTY



Jordan Brewer, President

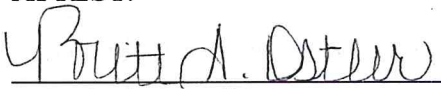


Josh Uitts



Bert Weaver

ATTEST:



Britt Ostler, Auditor