# PIKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MAY 16, 2022 @ 8:30 AM

Mark Flint Jeff Nelson Ryan Coleman

#### CALL MEETING TO ORDER

President Mark Flint called the meeting to order. All Commissioners were present as well as Auditor Judith Gumbel, County Attorney Val Fleig, Commissioner's Assistant Kristi Dischinger, PCEDC Director Ashley Willis, Sheriff Kent Johnson, EMS Director Chris Young, President of the 4-H Council of Pike County Judy Krieg, Clint Swisher, and Press Dispatch Reporter Sherri Sebella.

# APPROVAL OF REGULAR AND EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES MAY 2, 2022

President Flint called for examination of the Regular and Executive Session Minutes of the Commissioners on May 2, 2022. Mention was made that Matt Lowery needed to be corrected to Matt Eckerle on the May 2, 2022 Executive Session Minutes. Commissioner Jeff Nelson seconded by Commissioner Ryan Coleman motioned to approve both sets of the minutes with the noted change. Motion passed 3-0.

#### **APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR MAY 16, 2022**

President Flint asked if there were any questions regarding the claims. Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve the claims. Motion passed 3-0.

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## Pike County Boy Scout Presentation-Jellystone Waterpark

Pike County Economic Development Director Ashley Willis introduced Clint Swisher to the BOC. Mr. Swisher then shared the details of the exciting new park that he is bringing to Pike County. He and his wife are purchasing the Old Ben Boy Scout Camp and are developing the Old Ben Jellystone Waterpark. It will take a couple of years to develop all of the phases. The boy scouts will be able to continue to camp there. The plans are extensive and include an inflatables aqua park, camping, a wedding venue complete with singing gondolas, a Jelly Stone 2024 Solar Eclipse event, laser tag, canoeing, archery, a rifle range etc. The initial target for the business is families with children 3 – 12 years old. Day passes will be available. It will be similar but larger in scope that the one that he owns near Bloomington. The anticipated opening date will be the 1<sup>st</sup> week in June and will be open on July 4<sup>th</sup>! Mr. Swisher stated that they should close on the property in a couple of weeks.

President Flint welcomed Clint to Pike County stating that it is a win/win for the community.

#### BUSINESS BY COMMISSIONERS

#### **Commissioners' Transfer**

Commissioner's Assistant Kristi Dischinger explained that the EMA vehicle needs to be repaired. She stated that the PERF account usually has extra funds at the end of the year. She recommended a transfer from PERF of \$7,727.00 to Vehicle Repair to cover the cost of the repair to Pike Collision.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve the request for transfer. Motion passed 3-0.

#### **Courthouse Additional**

Ms. Dischinger presented documentation from CenterPoint Energy's website regarding monthly gas prices. She explained an additional \$5,000 would be needed for courthouse gas bills to make it through 2022. She requested the Commissioner's approval of an Additional Appropriation for that amount.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the Additional Appropriation request. Motion passed 3-0.

#### **Clerk & Treasurer Monthly Reports**

The reports were presented to the Commissioners.

#### **COVID Update**

Ms. Dischinger shared the information sent to her by Pike County Health Nurse Amy Gladish. She said that we've been averaging 5 to 10 active cases. Testing is continuing but many citizens opt for the home tests so the number of cases diagnosed is not conclusive. People are still coming in for vaccines.

#### **REGARDING BUSINESS BY PUBLIC**

**EMS Director Chris Young** shared that as of May 16<sup>th</sup> the EMS crews have completed 905 runs compared with 625 runs in 2021. He also shared that he is continuing to have trouble with the new engine installed in one of the ambulances so he is operating with 3 to 4 ambulances dependent on the engine.

**Sheriff Kent Johnson** stated that he would be approaching the Commissioners and the Council next month with a request for an Additional for the purchase of new CAD software from Central Square. His software is no longer compatible with the new system purchased be EMA. The cost will be \$57,100.

**Judy Krieg,** President of the 4-H Council of Pike County asked the Commissioners how to proceed for work needed in preparation for the 4-H Fair. President Flint directed her to speak with the Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd in regard to a possible Interlocal Agreement.

## REGARDING ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business to come before the BOC, President Flint called for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to adjourn. Motion passed 3-0.

Mark Flint, President

Ryan Coleman, Vice President

eff Melson, Member

Attest:

Judith Gumbel, Auditor

Date