

**PIKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 20, 2023**

**Mark Flint
Jeff Nelson
Ryan Coleman**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

BOC President Mark Flint called the meeting to order. All commissioners were in attendance in addition to County Attorney Val Fleig, Auditor Judith Gumbel, and County Administrator Kristi Dischinger. Also, in attendance were Sheriff Jason McKinney, Chief Deputy Dallas Killian, EMS Director Chris Young, Natalie Byrd, Assessor Mike Goodpaster, Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd, and Press Dispatch Editor Sherri Griffin.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES March 6, 2023

President Flint asked if there were any corrections or additions. Hearing none, he called for a motion. Commissioner Jeff Nelson seconded by Commissioner Ryan Coleman motioned to approve the minutes; motion passed 3 – 0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR MARCH 20, 2023

President Flint asked if there were any questions in regard to the claims. Hearing none, he called for a motion. Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve the claims. Motion passed 3 – 0.

OLD BUSINESS

Open Mowing Bids

Mowing bids were received from the following:

Julian's Mowing Service -	Old Town Cemetery – Petersburg Mow, Trim all Markers & Banks	\$250/ mow
	Coleman Cemetery (Monroe Township) Mow, Trim all Markers	\$150/ mow
Lightning Bug Lawn Care LLC	Old Town Cemetery Mow/trim the grounds	\$100/cut
	Coleman Cemetery Mow/trim the grounds	\$250/ cut
Blake Cooper	Old Town Cemetery Mowing Bid	\$98
	Coleman Cemetery Mowing Bid	\$198

Commissioner Nelson asked whether or not the bids could be split. Attorney Fleig said, "Probably not." President Flint stated that the bids would be taken under consideration.

EMA Additional (Correction)

The appropriation approved on March 6th should have read 4104-021-04-4060 in the amount of \$4563 and 8107-021-04-4060 in the amount of \$2000. This is the amount that was approved by the Commissioners previously.

NEW BUSINESS

Highway Department Excavator & Additional

Superintendent Byrd explained that he was contacted about a 2022 Rubber Tired Excavator that was available from Boyd CAT for \$237,290.00, including trade. It was also learned that the price for essentially the same piece of equipment at 2024 budget pricing would be \$270,747.89 including trade. The actual availability of the equipment would be questionable. He requested that the Commissioner's approve an additional appropriation in the amount of \$237,290.00 for purchase in 2023.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve an additional appropriation in the amount of \$237,290.00. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Health Department, Death Certificate Fee

Health Department Administrative Assistant Natalie Byrd explained that the State has raised the fee causing the local department to have a need to also raise the local fees from \$12 to \$15/ death certificate.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the rate increase to \$15. Motion passed 3 – 0.

BUSINESS BY COMMISSIONERS

Opioid Settlement (New)

County Administrator Kristi Dischinger explained that the County has applied for and received one round of this funding, but there is an additional round available. She wanted the Commissioner's direction on whether or not to apply for the 2nd round of funding.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to proceed with application to receive the additional funds. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Clerk/Treasurer Reports February 2023

President Flint directed the BOC to the reports that were presented for their information.

Appointments

President Flint asked if any calls regarding appointments had been made. No calls had been made. Therefore, the topic was tabled and will be discussed at the next meeting.

Superintendent Byrd stated that they would be finished at the Otwell Trash Site during the week. Quotes on fencing need to be completed. Other than that the crew is dragging the gravel roads. They may be able to start the new paving project by April 1st.

Auditor Gumbel stated that the Auditor and Treasurer are going live on LOW today.

Window Bids.

Ms. Dischinger stated that originally there was only 1 bid made as opened at the last meeting. She was able to call around and has promises that there will be at least 4 potential bidders at a pre-bid meeting to be held on March 28th.

EMS Director Chris Young stated that he is now 22 transports ahead of 2022.

County Sheriff McKinney shared that he was asking the Council to approve one more deputy at this time. He shared that new State Policemen are starting at \$72,000. He said that he and Chief Deputy Killian are doing transports to hospitals, court dates etc. He also shared that he will be losing a deputy in the near future. He does have one in mine to hire for the position, but it will take 6 to 8 months to train the individual. Commissioner Flint stated that the commissioners will support this request.

ADJOURNMENT

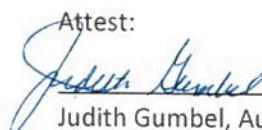
Commissioner Flint asked if there was any further business to come before the Board of Commissioners. Hearing none, he called for a motion to adjourn.

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


Mark Flint, President


Jeff Nelson, Vice President


Ryan Coleman, Member

Attest:

Judith Gumbel, Auditor

3-20-23
Date