

**PIKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 20, 2023 @ 8:30 AM**

**Mark Flint
Jeff Nelson
Ryan Coleman**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

President Mark Flint called the meeting to order with all Commissioner present as well as County Attorney Val Fleig, County Auditor Judith Gumbel, and County Administrator Kristi Dischinger. Also, in attendance were Brent Roberts, County Coroner Ray Brooks, Highway Office Manager Melanie Britton, County Sheriff Jason McKinney, EMS Director Chris Young, Jeff Phillips, County Extension Director Brooke Goble, Jim Shoultz, Andy Yenchochic, Craig Knies, and Press-Dispatch Editor Sherri Sebella.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES November 13, 2023 (Special Called Meeting)

President Flint asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Commissioner Jeff Nelson seconded by Commissioner Ryan Coleman motioned to approve the minutes. Motion passed 3 – 0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR NOVEMBER 20, 2023

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

OLD BUSINESS

PAWS – Additional & Transfer

President Flint asked County Administrator Kristi Dischinger to review what the situation was in regard to PAWS.

Ms. Kristi Dischinger stated that she had looked over her budget lines and felt there was perhaps \$5,000 available in monies budgeted in CEDIT, but that was about the only possibility. She said that PAWS needed \$20,600 to just pay the Vet bills.

Sheriff McKinney stated that he was getting 2 to 3 calls per day in regard to animal abuse and neglect.

Ms. Dischinger recommended an Additional Appropriation in the amount of \$15,000 from CEDIT for PAWS Support. Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve this recommendation. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Ms. Dischinger also recommended a \$4,000.00 transfer in Fund 1112, CEDIT from Legal Services to Animal Shelter Support and a \$1,000.00 transfer from Courthouse Tech Updates to Animal Shelter Support. Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motion to approve these transfer requests. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Open Bids 2024 Materials & Supplies

County Attorney Val Fleig read bids as received from J.H. Rudolph and Co. Inc., Asphalt Materials Inc., Rogers Group, St. Regis Culverts, Metal Culverts Inc., Civil Con Inc., E & B Paving Inc., Mulzer Crushed Stone, Cave Quarries, and Southern Indiana Supply. Bids not placed on our forms and volunteer bids were not read. These bids are available for inspection in the Pike County Commissioners' Office.

President Flint stated that the bids would be taken under advisement.

2024 Non-Bargaining Unit Holidays

County Administrator Dischinger presented the following schedule of Non-Bargaining Unit Employee Holidays for the Calendar Year of 2024:

New Year's Day, Monday-January 1; Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday – January 15; President's Day, Monday-February 19; Easter, Sunday – March 31 with Easter Holiday Observed for M-F Departments on Friday-March 29th; Memorial Day, Monday – May 27; Independence Day, Thursday-July 4; Labor Day, Monday-September 2; Columbus Day, Monday-October 14; Veterans' Day, Monday – November 11; Thanksgiving, Thursday-November 28 and Friday-November 29; Christmas Eve, Tuesday – December 24; Christmas Day, Wednesday-December 25th, and New Year's Eve, Tuesday-December 31.

President Flint asked if there were any comments regarding the proposed calendar of holidays. Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the calendar. Motion passed 3 – 0.

EMA Transfer Corrections

EMA/911 Director Ryan Benner stated that he had incorrectly identified the account for Vehicle Maintenance at the last meeting. The transfer should have been \$35.00 from 30200, Printing and Advertising to 20300, Vehicle Maintenance. Then he stated that he had an additional transfer from account 30540 Radio and Repair to 2034440, Fuel. The amount requested for transfer was \$300.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to correct the first transfer and to approve the 2nd transfer, motion passed 3 – 0.

NEW BUSINESS

AirMedCare

Andy Yenchochic was present and asked the Commissioners to consider allowing him to present all employees with the opportunity of having a life flight service. He stated that his company has 320 locations in 38 states. The cost is \$99 per household per year. They would ask the County to pay the entire premium upfront and then take the amount from the employees checks over a period of time.

Commissioner Flint stated that they would take the proposal under advisement.

Extension Office Staff Recommendation

Pike County Extension Director Brooke Goble stated that she and Kristi Dischinger had conducted six interviews to fill the office manager position in the Extension Office. She stated that she was recommending that Tiffany Lundy be hired for the position.

President Flint called for a motion. Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the hire of Ms. Lundy. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Recorder's Office Surplus Disposal Request

Pike County Recorder Misty Coleman asked to declare a 3-legged wooden table purchased in 2019 as surplus. President Flint asked if there were any questions.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the request. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Highway Department Transfer

Highway Office Manager Melanie Britton requested two transfers from Workers Comp in Fund 1176, Motor Vehicles. She requested that \$250 be transfer to account 20440, personal Protective Equipment, and \$3,450 be transferred to Tires and Tubes. She stated that the money was necessary to pay existing claims. President Flint asked the others if they had any questions.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to allow the transfers. Motion passed 3 – 0.

BUSINESS BY COMMISSIONERS

Blanket Bond Approval

Ms. Dischinger stated that she had researched the bond amounts required and stated that there were no changes. She stated that the Council had approved the amounts of the bonds for the other officials but for some reason the bond company had already sent this bond for signature. It was a \$15,000 bond for Faithful Performance Blanket Bond Coverage with the Pike County Commissioners listed as the named insureds. She stated that the other bonds would be coming shortly. President Flint asked if there were any questions. If not, he asked for a motion to approve.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the bond. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Discussion-Trash Ordinance

President Flint stated that he would like to see an Exploratory Committee formed to look into a "Trash Ordinance". He stated that several times citizens had come before the commissioners requesting that something be done about the trash that was being allowed to collect in their neighborhoods. He would like for the committee to look into what can be done to address this problem. Perhaps it would be called "A Good Neighbor Plan". He stated that he would like to see a Commissioner, the Prosecutor, Amanda Howell with the Health Department, County

Attorney Val Fleig, Sheriff McKinney, Kristi Dischinger and a citizen on the committee. He stated that he wanted to put it on the table and to begin working toward the formation of the committee.

Courthouse Additional-Limestone Reset & Insurance

Ms. Dischinger explained that she fully believes that the additional for insurance is the last one. This is moving the \$1,179 of the money received for our claim from the General Fund where it was deposited to the expense account that needs to be paid, 30660 – Equipment Repair Courthouse. President Flint asked if there were any questions.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve this additional request. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Ms. Dischinger explained that the General Contractor for Wolfe called her attention to the limestone around the lower windows that had not been repaired in the first additional that was requested for limestone repair. He pointed out the missing mortar and expressed that he felt, they, too, needed to be reset. Ms. Dischinger stated that while she was not a project manager, she thought they should be repaired also. She requested a \$10,500 Additional request from CEDIT, Fund 1112 to complete the repair to be placed in account 40690, Courthouse Window Replacement. President Flint asked if there were any questions.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the Additional Request in the amount of \$10,500 at \$1,500 per window to reset the limestone. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Clerk & Treasurer Reports, October

The reports were in the Commissioners' packets for their review. There were no questions.

EMS Director Chris Young reported that he is still waiting on a transmission for one of the trucks.

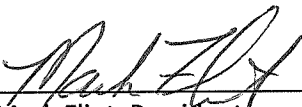
President Flint asked if any others had information to share. None was stated.

BUSINESS BY PUBLIC - None

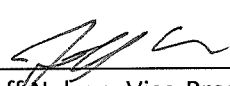
ADJOURNMENT

President Flint asked for a motion to adjourn.

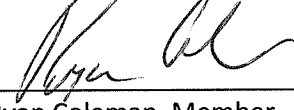
Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to adjourn. Motion passed 3 – 0.



Mark Flint, President

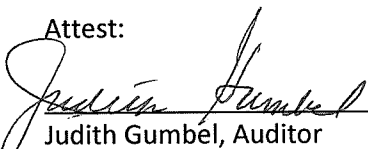


Jeff Nelson, Vice-President



Ryan Coleman, Member

Attest:



Judith Gumbel, Auditor

Dec. 4, 2023
Date