

**PIKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 1, 2024 @ 8:30 AM**

**Mark Flint
Jeff Nelson
Ryan Coleman**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mark Flint President of the Board of Commissioners called the meeting to order with all Commissioners present. Also, in attendance were Pike County Attorney Val Fleig, Pike County Auditor Judith Gumbel, and Pike County Administrator Kristi Dischinger. Other present included Pike County Sheriff Jason McKinney, Pike County Councilman Travis Troutman, Pike County EMS Director Chris Young, Pike County Coroner Ray Brooks, EDC Director Ashley Willis, Pike County Councilman Max Elliott, Brent Roberts, Pike County Councilman Randy Harris, Pike County EMS/E-911 Director Brandon Truitt, Levi Hume, Pike County Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd, and Sherri Sebella, Editor Press Dispatch

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

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 JANUARY

President Flint asked if there were any questions regarding 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

No bids have been received. County Administrator Kristi Dischinger stated that there could be some in the mail since the courthouse was closed on Friday. She asked if no bids were received if she were allowed to reach out to persons requesting bids. Attorney Fleig stated that it was not necessary to advertise for mowing bids. Commissioner Coleman said that a Mr. Mikels had called him asking for information. Hopefully Ms. Dischinger will have some candidates by next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Bridge 32, Historic Bridge Alt. Analysis Agreement (if they get it corrected in time)

Superintendent Byrd stated that the bridge is located on Co Rd 500 W. The agreement has to be completed before they can apply for any federal aid. Brent Roberts with BF&S was present in regard to an agreement to complete the analysis. The cost will be \$29,300. Mr. Byrd stated that there was \$30,000 available in professional services, but \$444 had to be used to get the permits from Army Corps of Engineers to get the permits for 475 N. He stated that this meant that they would probably be coming in for an additional request at the next meeting. President Flint asked the others if they had any questions. Hearing none he called for a motion.

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

Highway Additional (3)

\$5,000 from Fund 1176 MVH go toward sign repairs and replacements.

Superintendent Byrd explained that the County has to stay in compliance with the state. The signs are supposed to be yellow and black checkered marking on the corners of the bridges and have to be in place for the bridge inspections. They also had to have weight limit signs in place by the end of April. Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve the additional request. Motion passed 3 – 0.

\$5,200 from Fund 1176 MVH for the purchase of a welder.

A part on a welder broke. It was found to be obsolete. Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approved the request for an additional appropriation. Motion passed 3 – 0.

\$2,000 from Fund 1135 CUM Bridge to pay for travel expenses related to CDL training.

This is for Andy and Adam's travel expenses that were necessary for them to get their CDL. President Flint asked if they both passed, and they did. He asked for a motion to approve the additional request. Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve the request. Motion passed 3 – 0.

E911 Transfer

E911 Director Brandon Truitt explained that the new telephones in the E-911 department had to be completed and the line item was about \$230.25 short. Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the transfer request. Motion passed 3 – 0.

BUSINESS BY COMMISSIONERS

Highway Update

Superintendent Byrd stated that they were working on everything necessary for the bridge inspections. He stated that he had no luck thus far finding a used grader. They priced a 2023 and it came in at \$318,000. They do not want the old grader. He was told if he bought it next year he should add another 2% to the cost and the year after 4%. He's getting the roads ready for the Community Crossing paving. Speed limit signs are going up for Sheriff McKinney. Getting everything ready for the Eclipse.

Sheriff

Sheriff McKinney said that he, the city, the schools, EMA etc had joined together to make a public service announcement video about how the crowd etc should be handled during the Eclipse.

EMS

EMS Director Young said that he has a truck that needs some work but he is waiting until after the eclipse to do it. He is 132 runs ahead of last year at this time and has completed 700 for the year.

EMA

President Flint asked how the flooring project was moving. E911 Director Truitt stated that the last quote was around \$7,500.

BUSINESS BY PUBLIC

Levi Hume was present again asking for an update on his road. He stated that as he recalled the last thing he heard was another land owner would we talked with. Superintendent Byrd stated that the gentleman had come into the garage and that originally, he was ok with doing something, but had since changed his mind.

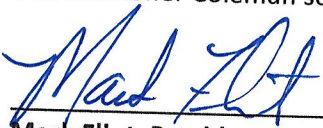
Mr. Hume asked what could be done and Attorney Fleig said that as a County we could do nothing short of taking the gentleman's property by indemnification, and he didn't think the County would want to do that. Mr. Hume stated that he thought that it was law that a county road had to be 40 ft wide. Attorney Fleig explained that was new roads. Mr. Hume asked how it was possible that some trees on his property had been trimmed without his approval and Attorney Fleig explained that the County did have jurisdiction over that if the limbs were causing damage to vehicles and that other things could be done if something was in place that would cause the ditches not to be affective.

Mr. Hume again asked what could he do. It was suggested that he might arrange a meeting of all the parties to talk about it. Superintendent Byrd said that he would definitely be there if Mr. Hume could arrange that. Nothing else was suggested.

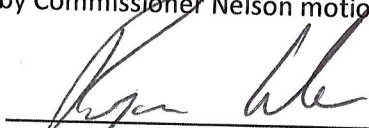
ADJOURNMENT

President Flint asked if there was any further business to come before the 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



Ryan Coleman, Vice-President



Jeff Nelson, Member



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