

**PIKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 17, 2024 @ 8:30 AM**

**Mark Flint
Jeff Nelson
Ryan Coleman**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

BOC Vice-President Ryan Coleman called the meeting to order. Commissioner Mark Flint was not present. Others in attendance included County Attorney Val Fleig, County Auditor Judith Gumbel, and County Administrator Kristi Dischinger. Also present were County Coroner Ray Brooks, Jim Shoultz, Levi Hume, EMS Director Chris Young, Highway Office Manager Melanie Britton, Jam K McOff____, Brent Roberts, County Health Nurse Amy Gladish, Chief Deputy Auditor Audra Warner, Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd, and Press Dispatch Editor Sherre Sebella.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES JUNE 6, 2024

VP Coleman asked if there was a motion regarding the minutes. Commissioner Jeff Nelson motioned to approve the minutes. VP Coleman seconded it and motion passed 2 – 0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR JUNE 20, 2024

VP Coleman asked if there were questions on the claims. Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the claims. Motion passed 2 -0.

OLD BUSINESS

CCMG 2024-01 Bids

Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd stated that JH Rudolph bid on the asphalt appears lower. However, most of the time it is not, due to the travel distance and time from the project locations to Rudolph's plant. He stated it would take more time and more fuel to pick up the asphalt (HMA) than the price difference in the materials as quoted by Cave Quarries. The only bid for tack oil was made by Asphalt Materials and Cave Quarries was the only bid for rock.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the lowest bid for each product as presented but going with the Cave Quarries or JH Rudolph for HMA based on proximity of their plant to the job location due to the cost of travel required. Motion passed 2 – 0.

Pike-INDOT Agreements, CCMG 2024-01

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the INDOT Agreements for CCMG 2024-01. Motion passed 2 – 0. The agreements were the standard language.

Medical Office Bids – HVAC

County Administrator Dischinger received several estimates for the installation of a new HVAC at the new/old medical building just purchased by the County. Bids were received from

Messmer Mechanical, Ridao Mechanical, Buchanan Mechanical, and Benner Heating and Air. Different options were presented with different options by the bidders. VP Coleman stated that Ridao was about \$1,695 more than Messmer at the 14 seer A/C.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to accept the Messmer 96% 14 Seer -2 stage. When comparing apples to apples this was at \$27,525 and if the ambient kit was wanted it would be another \$700. The quote included a low ambient kit, but no one understood what that was. So, it was left open as to whether or not that would be purchased after receiving an explanation of what it was. Motion passed 2 – 0.

EMS Transfer

Director Chris Young stated that he had some outstanding maintenance bills. One was a large repair bill on one of the trucks. Several invoices arrived at the same time. He prefers the transfer so that he can do an additional for his paramedic later in the year.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the \$10,000 transfer from Paramedic to Vehicle repair. Motion passed 2 – 0.

EMS Staffing

Director Young stated that a full time staff member Justin Wilson resigned. He requested permission to fill the slot. He stated that he hoped to hire a basic EMT.

Commissioner Nelson seconded Commissioner Coleman motioned to accept the resignation and to authorize Director Young to conduct his search for an EMT Basic. Motion passed 2 – 0.

Highway Additional x3

(1) Highway requested \$19,000 from CEDIT, Fund 1112 to purchase a quality used service truck. They have 16,000 left in the budget for a planned purchase of a new truck, and they were able to purchase a used truck. This additional request plus the \$16,000 in place will be enough to purchase the used service truck.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the request for the \$19,000 from CEDIT. Motion passed 2-0.

(2) Highway requested an additional appropriation of \$2,000 from Fund 1176 MVH to pay vehicle insurance premiums.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the \$2,000 request from 1176 for insurance. Motion passed 2 – 0.

(3) Highway requested an additional appropriation of \$2,800 to pay for a welder that was replaced. Auditor wants to pay the bill from the correct account so the request had to be completed in 2 steps.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the request for a \$2,800 additional appropriation from 1176. Motion passed 2 – 0.

BUSINESS BY COMMISSIONERS

Preventative Maintenance Contract

County Administrator Kristi Dischinger stated that it was time to sign a new Preventative Maintenance Program with Messmer’s Mechanical for the Courthouse. The renewal contract covers year 2024 through 2027. She stated that it has traditionally gone up about \$125 per year.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motion to approve the contract renewal. Motion passed 2 – 0.

EMS Report

Director Young stated that he had 17 runs of which 3 were transports over the weekend. He said that a week ago he had five 911 calls in 30 minutes. So, the Ambulance Service is staying busy.

Highway Report

Superintendent Byrd stated that they would start taking out the old bridge on Meridian this week and installing a box culvert. He also said the solar panels are starting up. Everyone present still fully believed that the best call made was to close Meridian.

Sheriff McKinney

Sheriff McKinney stated that they have been patrolling the detour on 300 N. He said that they were having some problems with semi’s. He said the deputies have written several tickets. He mentioned that traffic was going to pick up on Dutchtown Road within three weeks.

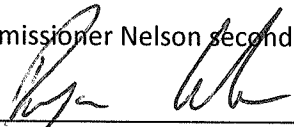
BUSINESS BY PUBLIC

Levi Hume was again present concerning County Road 257 S. At the last meeting it was promised that a meeting would be held with a landowner who was against the widening of the road. Commissioner Nelson stated that the meeting was held, but progress was not made. He stated that the Commissioners have the desire to make this happen.

Mr. Byrd said that another option could be signs saying “Narrow Road”.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Nelson seconded by VP Coleman motioned to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 2 – 0.

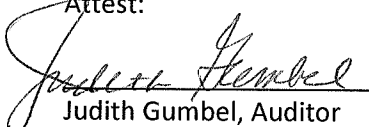


Ryan Coleman, Vice-President

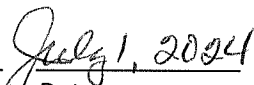


Jeff Nelson, Member

Attest:



Judith Gumbel, Auditor



Date