

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
January 19, 2021
9:00 AM

Present- In person: Commissioner Matt Reedy, Commissioner Drew Markel
Absent – Commissioner Bob Gillaspy

Commissioner Matt Reedy called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and Silent Prayer observed.

Commissioner Markel made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2021 Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Reedy seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Markel made a motion to approve the Payroll of January 15, 2021 in the amount of \$433,306.48, along with Monthly Claims in the amount of \$1,393,602.85. Commissioner Reedy seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried.

Reports from other Committees:

Commissioner Reedy gave information from Dr. Bunce and the Health Dept that COVID-19 Vaccinations were under way.

Human Resource Director, Jeff Hubbard presented the 2021 Commissioner Board Appointments for consideration. Still require a replacement for vacancy / Vernon Fire District. No motion was made. Table until next regular meeting.

Replacement for Brownstown Twp. Fire District / Replacement for Jerry Kindred. No motion was made. Table until next regular meeting. Commissioner Reedy asked to reach out to Travis for Recommendations.

EMS Director – Nathan Bryant, discussed with the commissioners the Following:

1. mowing this next season for the Brownstown Station. Commissioner Reedy asked if he could contact JL Brewer - Community Corrections on assistance.
2. Payment for the current outstanding invoice. The prior invoices were paid out of his Budget / Office supplies. Auditor – Roger Hurt Suggested that this invoice be paid as per past invoices out of this line per the last audit being completed and no issues where presented.

County Planning / Zoning Director – Conner Barnett presented to the Commissioners information on Pro – Champ. This is a company that provides contact information through registration on any county properties in current foreclosures. This would be a great tool for his operations and allow for a fee to be split with the county and Pro – Champ once a contract is issued. Commissioner Markel made a motion to allow County Attorney- Susan Beavers proceed with a VPC ordinance be drafted, to include the set fee \$250.00 with a one (1) year contract and a 30 day notice to cancel agreement. Commissioner Reedy second. Two (2) yes votes. Motion Passed. Ordinance to be presented at next Regular scheduled meeting.

Adam Cooper with FPBH – on behalf of Tom Goecker – Greendale subdivision. In respect to the County Subdivision Control Ordinance, Streets shall be designed so that a 10-year frequency design storm will not create gutter spread more than 4 feet into the travel lane. Mr. Cooper requested a variance from the 4 ft. Gutter spread to a 6 ft. Gutter Spread due to site conditions. Commissioner Markel made a motion to accept the requested variance from the 4 Ft. Spread to 6 Ft. spread pending review and approval from Conner Barnette- Planning / Zoning and Jerry Ault – County Hwy Superintendent. Commissioner Reedy seconded. Two (2) yes votes. Motion passed.

Prior to adjournment Mr. Barnette stated that he and Mr. Ault have discussed the proposed variance with Mr. Cooper and Mr. Goecker and have no issues with the variance.

County Human Resource Director- Jeff Hubbard and County Attorney – Susan Beavers discussed with the Commissioners on Perf rules / employee – Kelly Lawson.

After discussions Commissioner Markle asked for a direct answer be given to Ms. Lawson on what is allowed and what is required through the Perf rules. Commissioner Markle recommends that the County Commissioners need to hold executive session only to discuss with an employee and not with-in a public meeting due to employee privacy rules. County Attorney – Susan Beavers advised that she continue to investigate with Perf representatives and relay information to Human Resources and County Commissioners and if they see that an executive session be needed that one can be scheduled.

County Human Resource director – Jeff Hubbard discussed with the commissioners on a Quarterly SIHO meeting scheduled for 2:00 pm Tuesday, January 27th in his office to review any issues or updates that may be presented.

Commissioner Matt Reedy discussed the forming of a Dog Shelter Committee comprised as County Sheriff – Rick Myers, County Dog / Animal control officer – Mark Deaton, One (1) County Commissioner and Three (3) County Councilman. Commissioner Markle made a motion to appoint commissioner Matt Reedy to the committee. Commissioner Reedy seconded. Two (2) yes votes. Motion carried. Council to discuss their appointments during their next regular scheduled meeting.

Hwy Supervisor Jerry Ault discussed with the commissioners the following:

1. Entered into the minutes the Financial letter of commitment on the CCMG / MVH Grant application. Jerry has submitted this grant is awaiting award information. Commissioner Markle made a motion to approve Commissioner Matt Reedy as signatory for the CCMG/MVH Grant. Commissioner Reedy seconded. Two (2) yes votes. Motion passed.

County Sheriff Rick Meyers discussed with the commissioners the Following:

1. The Commissary semi – annual report for 7-1-20 / 12-31-20 per IC 36-8-10-21. Beginning Balance 150,125.58, Total Receipts 243,515.02, Total disbursements 203,419.49. Balance at 12-31-20 \$ 190,221.11
2. Jail Report for December, Sheriffs Department Statistics Release, 2019 comparison to 2020 report.
3. 2020 Cash Book and the 2020 Sheriff's Dog Detention report.

County Attorney – Susan Beavers, presented to the commissioners, Resolution#1 / Commissioner Bill #1 Establishing the Board of Commissioners, County of Jackson meeting dates and times per statute. Commissioner Reedy read aloud the Resolution. Commissioner Markle made a motion to approve the Resolution#1 / Commissioner Bill #1. Commissioner Reedy second. Two (2) yes votes. Motion passed.

Auditor Roger Hurt presented to the commissioners:

1. The annual 2020 Funds report for review and file.
2. The 100 R report for review and file. Notice of this report will be submitted to local papers by January 31, 2021 per statute.

Commissioners then adjourned until February 02, 2021.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 02, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

Signed this 2nd. day of February 2021.

Matt Reedy

Drew Markel

Bob Gillaspay

Roger Hurt - attest