

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
January 5, 2021
6:00 PM

Present- In person: Commissioner Matt Reedy, Commissioner Drew Markel, Commissioner Bob Gillaspay

Commissioner Matt Reedy called the meeting to order.

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

Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2020 Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to approve the Payroll of December 18, 2020 in the amount of \$447,707.11, Payroll for January 4, 2021 in the amount of \$433,440.58 along with Monthly Claims in the amount of \$3,393,328.03. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Reports from other Committees: none given.

Kelly Lawson – continued Full time w/ benefits discussion on Perf requirements and restrictions to move from Part time to Full time. Commissioner Matt Reedy asked that County Attorney Susan Beavers along with Human Resource Director Jeff Hubbard review the PERF rules and to report findings at next regular meeting scheduled for January 19, 2020 9:00 am. Commissioners advised Kelly Lawson they would table until next meeting.

Approval reading of the Jackson County / Income Survey Justification / Driftwood Twp.

Commissioner Drew Markel read information and entered them into the minutes.

Human Resource Director, Jeff Hubbard presented the 2021 Commissioner Board Appointments for consideration. The following appointments were made:

Board	Appointees	1 st	2 nd	Vote
Jackson County Library	Jaime McRoy To replace Josh Bartley	Commissioner Markel	Commissioner Gillaspay	3-0
Jackson County Bd of Health	Fred Perry Jr Joyce Mckinney	Commissioner Markel Commissioner Markel	Commissioner Gillaspay Commissioner Gillaspay	3-0 3-0
Jackson County Cemetery Commission	LeRoy Crees	Commissioner Markel	Commissioner Gillaspay	3-0
Jackson County Plan Commission	John Hinton To Replace Travis Norman	Commissioner Markel	Commissioner Gillaspay	3-0
Alcoholic Beverage Board	Kenny Sweeney	Commissioner Markel	Commissioner Gillaspay	3-0
County Drainage Board	James Lucas	Commissioner Markel	Commissioner Gillaspay	3-0
Department of Parks and Recreation	Steven Jones To replace Adam Disque	Commissioner Gillaspay	Commissioner Markel	3-0
Commissioners to remain on all existing Boards,			Commissioner Gillaspay made motion to remain, Second by Commissioner Markel	3-0
Human Services Inc. Bd Of Directors	Rebecca Bujwig To replace Emily Sommers	Commissioner Markel	Commissioner Gillaspay	3-0
Ambulance Services Authority Bd	Dr. Eric Fish	Commissioner Gillaspay	Commissioner Markel	3-0

Board	Appointees	1 st	2 nd	Vote
Jackson County Visitor Promotion Commission				
	Cindy Lucas	Commissioner Markel	Commissioner Gillaspy	3-0
	Bryan Stahl	Commissioner Markel	Commissioner Gillaspy	3-0
Board of Fire Trustees – Pershing Township				
	Robbin Perry	Commissioner Markel	Commissioner Gillaspy	3-0
	William T Burnside	Commissioner Gillaspy	Commissioner Markel	3-0
To Replace Justin Devening				
Board of Fire Trustee – Brownstown Township				
	Dave Shelton	Commissioner Markel	Commissioner Gillaspy	3-0
Board of Fire Trustee – Driftwood Township				
	Tom Hackman	Commissioner Markel	Commissioner Gillaspy	3-0
Board of Fire Trustee – Grassy Fork Township				
	Marvin Holle	Commissioner Markel	Commissioner Gillaspy	3-0
Board of Fire Trustee – Jackson / Washington Township				
	Dennis Holle	Commissioner Gillaspy	Commissioner Markel	3-0
Board of Fire Trustee – Owen/ Salt Creek Township				
	Stephen Wray	Commissioner Gillaspy	Commissioner Markel	3-0
Board of Fire Trustee – Redding Township				
	Charlie Fox	Commissioner Gillaspy	Commissioner Markel	3-0

Balance of County Appointments to boards tabled until need regular meeting, January 19,2021 9:00 AM

County Attorney Contract for 2021, Commissioner Markel made motion to approve Contract. Second by Commissioner Gillaspy. Three (3) yes votes, Motion carried.

Approval for Special Utilities to be paid with Regular Friday utilities process as per the 2020 guidelines to remain in effect, Commissioner Markel made motion to approve payment schedule. Second by Commissioner Gillaspy. Three (3) yes votes, Motion carried.

Hwy Supervisor Jerry Ault discussed with the commissioners the following:

1. Request that the water Hydrant at the County Park be temporarily capped to protect from vandalism and being turned on for long periods of time causing large water usage and costs. Commissioners gave approval of this and had discussions to have County Attorney Susan Beavers to approach the Jackson County Visitor committee on any interest that they may have for the operations of the County Park and the County Soccer fields. This is to be discussed after response from her report.
2. 2021 Paser Ratings – Brad is currently working on Rating throughout the County.
3. 2021 Contract paving program w/ lists of Roads that he has selected to be paved.
4. 2021 CCMG program with list of Roads that have been selected to be paved at release of award for funding if given.
5. Discussion of wanting to review option to remove the Brine equipment and sale of equipment for replacement of equipment with a need. Commissioner Reedy asked that a study be taken throughout the season report given prior to sale of equipment. Commissioner Markel asked for a correct procedure be used when any equipment is to be offered for sale by County Highway Dept.

County Human Resource Director, Jeff Hubbard discussed with the Commissioners the following:

1. Procedures on Employee payroll for the COVID-19 related issues. Motion to remain as per the current 2020 guidelines until the regular meeting, January 19, 2021 by Commissioner Markel, Second by Commissioner Gillaspy, Three (3) yes votes Motion carried.
2. Discussion on payroll procedures for the required EMT's needed at the County Health Depts vaccine sites. Commissioners asked that a clarification on the rule that requires this mandate and further discussions will be given at the next regular meeting, January 19, 2021.

County Attorney, Susan Beavers, presented information on behalf of Planning and Zoning, Conner Barnette about company, Pro – Champ, that offers a registration of contact information on property with-in the county that is in foreclosure that would assist in property maintenance procedures.

Commissioner Reedy asked that Conner forward the information to them for review and see if Conner would be at next meeting to discuss.

County Sheriff Rick Meyers – Hire of new employee, Court Security Officer, Phillip (Andy) Wayman to replace vacancy.

Submitted three titles for signatures for trade in on new vehicles to be purchased.

Motion was made by Commissioner Markel to approve the trade in of the three (3) vehicles, second by Commissioner Gillaspy Three (3) yes votes. Motion carried.

Auditor Roger Hurt presented the 2020 Maintenance proposal / Poplar Scale / Ash Borer Control from Natural Scape Services Inc. Motion to approve 2020 Maintenance Proposal by Commissioner Markel, Second by Commissioner Gillaspy,

Three (3) yes votes Motion carried.

Air permit application submittal notice form the Andersons, INC – Seymour Wholesale Terminal per (IC 13-15-3-1), for review. Per code, Applicant is required to give notice to local Governments with jurisdiction over the area in which the permitted activity is located.

Presented the 2020 CMHC county report from Cornerstone for file.

Commissioners then adjourned until January 19, 2021.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 9:00 AM.

Signed this 19th day of January 2021.

Matt Reedy

Drew Markel

Bob Gillaspy

Roger Hurt - attest