

**Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
November 16, 2021
9:00 AM**

Present: Commissioner Matt Reedy, Commissioner Drew Markel & Commission Bob Gillaspay

Absent: All Present

Commissioner Matt Reedy called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance recited, and Silent Prayer observed.

Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2021, Regular Meeting.

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

Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to approve the Payroll of November 5, 2021, in the amount of \$443,392.43 along with Claims, including electronic checks, in the amount of \$354,228.25. Commissioner

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

Reports from other Committees: Commissioner Markel stated he was very appreciative of the response from the State Police and Local Law enforcement for the Security provided during the upcoming Rally.

End of Reports from other Committees.

Highway Superintendent, Jerry Ault opened the received County Highway bids by Title only and asked to take under advisement and report results at next Regular meeting in December. Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to accept all bids and to allow Jerry to review and present back to the Commissioners the results of all bids with recommendations. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Jerry advised that he has the supplemental Contract for signing on Bridge 154 that would allow for purchase required property. Commissioner Markle made a motion to accept the Contract. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, Motion carried.

Jerry discussed with the Commissioners about the condition of Bridge # 197. Indot wants to rehab this bridge due to historical preservation. Jerry suggested that if the bridge could be relocated to the County Fairgrounds that the rehab could be completed and used at that location. This would allow him to construct a new 2 lane / higher weight limit bridge. Commissioners asked him to present this along with costs at the next meeting after meeting with Indot.

Jackson County Visitor Center Director, Arann Banks discussed with the Commissioners about the upcoming Christmas event and asked for permission to use the Courthouse lawn. The event would be scheduled for December 16th, 2021, and she was planning on having live Reindeer as part of the promotion. Commissioner Markle made a motion to allow the use of the Courthouse lawn on December 16 for this event and advised Arann to provide a copy of Insurance Certificate prior to the event. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, Motion carried.

Planning and Zoning Commissioner, Conner Barnette discussed with Commissioners the IT items and equipment that has been requested from various Departments to be purchased out of the current GOB bond, Fund# 4928, that is due to complete this year. This purchase would require various like line items to be transferred to the Computer Hardware line # 44331 to cover costs. Commissioner Markle made a motion to allow the line item budgets to be transferred to cover the cost of the purposed list with a not to exceed a total purchase cost of \$ 46,430.35. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, Motion carried.

Conner than presented discussion of the repair to the HVAC wall penetration and water leak damage repair to the Annex building be paid from the GOB bond fund# 4928 using line item 40413 and that it would also need a transfer from Line item 40412 to fully fund project. Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to allow the project to move forward and that it would be funded from GOB fund #4928-line item # 40413 with the transfer balance from line item 40412. Commissioner Markle seconded. Three (3) yes votes, Motion carried

Conner asked county attorney, Susan bevers if this need to be presented to Council and Ms. Bevers advised that all are like items within the Bond and that no presentation would be required to County Council.

Human Resource Director, Jeff Hubbard presented a list of the County Commissioner Board appoints for the 2022 year for them to review and advise back on any suggestion prior to the January meetings to allow him to reach out to any candidates they are considering.

Jeff also discussed with Commissioner's that he is obtaining insurance quotes for the County Liability coverage. He asked if there was a need to secure an updated appraisal on the Historic Courthouse buildings and grounds. Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to proceed with obtaining an appraisal of the Building and Grounds. Commissioner Markle seconded. Three (3) yes votes, Motion passed.

Commissioner Markle made a motion to allow a banner to be displaced on the Courthouse property Fence for the 2021 Medora Christmas parade and event. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, Motion carried.

Auditor, Roger Hurt presented Resolution #13 Commissioners Bill # 11, Establishing the intent to conduct a Commissioner's Sale to sale tax sale Certificates for the properties that are severely delinquent in payment of property taxes. Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to accept Resolution. Commissioner Markle Seconded. Three (3) yes votes, Motion passed.

County Attorney, Susan Bevers discussed with the Commissioners on the legal responsibility due the County regarding the Scheduled Rally in the event that Mr. Maxwell Mitchell, Rally Promoter, did not provide the County with the requested Liability certificate of insurance.

Commissioners then recessed until Dec. 7, 2021, at 6 PM.

The next regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 7, 2021, at 6:00 PM.

Signed this 7th day of December 2021.

Matt Reedy

Drew Markel

Bob Gillaspay

Roger Hurt - attest