

PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES – March 6, 2023

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 6:00 p.m. as was duly advertised. President Randy Cole (RC) and Rebecca Thorn (RT) were in attendance. Sheriff Alan Malone, Auditor Kristinia Hammack, Attorney Andrew Foster were also present. There was no *News Representative* in attendance.

The meeting opened with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

Addition of update of Animal Shelter work progress under (7) Commissioners Business. RT made a motion to approve the agenda with addition, seconded by RC. Motion carried 2-0.

MINUTES

a) 02.21.2023

RT made a motion to accept, seconded by RC. Motion carried 2-0.

b) 03.01.2023

RC made a motion to approve, RT seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

KRISTINIA HAMMACK, AUDITOR

a) Approval of 2/27/2023 Payroll in the amount of \$160,092.87

RC made the motion to accept, seconded by RT. Motion carried 2-0.

b) Approval of Advance Claims: \$23,551.07

RC made the motion to accept, seconded by RT. Motion carried 2-0.

c) Approval of 03.06.2023 Claim Docket \$819,577.91

RT made a motion to accept, seconded by RC. Motion carried 2-0.

d) Approval of Life Insurance Claim \$1,491.01

RT made a motion to accept, seconded by RC. Motion carried 2-0.

e) Approval of Health Insurance Claim \$182,700.65

RC made the motion to accept, seconded by RT. Motion carried 2-0.

f) LOW Time and Attendance gave a \$1500 discount and updated wording on their quote as it stated 250 hours of training. They updated that to inform that the 250 hours included custom programming to each pay class via county policies to automate as many functions as possible through the integration. Kristinia also informed that she met with An Island in regard to the attendance software they offer. This challenge there is if their software can “communicate/talk with LOW Payroll/Financial. She is also looking into other time and attendance software that other counties use.

g) Kristinia informed the Commissioners that the 2022 Annual Financial Report was submitted in Gateway on Friday, February 24, 2023 and the published in the Perry County News Monday, February 27, 2023. Kristinia said it was very helpful having BakerTilly to consult with through this very in-depth report.

WARREN TAYLOR, CORONER

RC stated that he spoke with Warren this morning prior to the meeting as Warren is unable to attend this morning, as had an autopsy scheduled. Warren reported a major roof leak in his office at the Annex Building. In looking this roof was installed in 2016. Most roofs have a 10-year warranty. RC stated that we need to get in contact with Greg Hendershot and see if the roof is under warranty. Kristinia stated she would get with Greg Hendershot on this matter.

STEVE HOWELL, HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Steve Howell reported that he had emailed the Commissioners his 2022 Annual Financial Report and he needed their approval and signatures. RC informed on page 5 it referred to brick roads, he is thinking it should be gravel roads. Steve said yes he would get that changed.

RC made a motion to accept with that amendment from brick road to gravel road, RT seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

COMMISSIONERS

- a) RC stated that Attorney, Andrew Foster had revised the EDIT Plan and emailed that out to all Commissioners to review. RC asked if there was any questions or discussion on the revised EDIT Plan.

RC made a motion to accept, RT seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

- b) RC stated that Attorney Andrew Foster was currently working on the contract for the Animal Shelter and tabled this item until the next meeting.
- c) RC stated that to his knowledge we had received 1 letter of interest for the open position on the Animal Welfare Board. Kristinia confirmed that we have only one letter of interest from Tonya Rankin, along with a letter of support for Tonya.

RT made a motion to appoint Tonya Rankin, RC seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

- d) RT gave an update on the work progress at the animal shelter. The roof had been resprayed. With the storms last week there were still 4 leaks. She is arranging to have them pay to respray these areas. The security door is set to be installed this week. RT reported Molly is ready for a soft opening as she is receiving calls daily. RT reported that we are receiving bids for the new guttering/downspouts and also cleaning. We will review those at the next meeting.

RC brought up that he had heard of flooding on Canada Road in Clarke Township, where a property owner has put up an embankment. Steve Howell reported this has already been turned over to IDM for review. RC asked Andrew Foster does he advise county government to stay out of it for now until we hear from IDM? Attorney, Andrew Foster stated we could send a letter to them advising the flooding issue being caused by the embankment. Steve Howell stated he would recommend we just wait and see what IDM reports. All were in agreement of that and Steve Howell stated he would update the Commissioners.

RT thanked Steve and all the Highway Departments efforts during last weeks storms. Their hard work and efforts are greatly appreciated.

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 a.m. CST

Kristinia Hammack announced that the next meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Randy Cole
President

Rebecca Thorn
Vice-President

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