

Minutes of the Woodson County Commissioners Meeting

December 19th, 2023

The Board of Woodson County Commissioners convened for a regular business session on December 19th, 2023, with Chairman Jerry Sedlacek, Vice-Chairman Justin Clark, Member Kevin Stuber, County Attorney Zelda Schlotterbeck, and Certified County Clerk Tesla Bayles in attendance. The meeting commenced with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Agenda Approval:

- Stuber made the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Clark seconded it, and Sedlacek made it unanimous.

2. Approval of Minutes:

- Stuber made the motion to approve the minutes from the 12th as amended. Clark seconded it, and Sedlacek made it unanimous.

3. Road and Bridge Supervisor Report:

- Dimick, the Road and Bridge Supervisor, provided a progress report to the board, highlighting the need to purchase tires.
- Discussion on a complaint from the Corp of Engineers took place, which is currently pending due to difficulties in establishing communication. Tabled until communication lines are open.
- Presentation of inoperable vehicles for sale on Purple Wave occurred. Dimick indicated the vehicles' current inoperable state. Sedlacek relayed road complaints due to operational halts caused by rain.

4. Executive Sessions:

- Stuber made the motion to recess into an executive session for Attorney Client privileges to discuss legal liability for 23 minutes, starting at 8:57 a.m. and reconvening at 9:20 a.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room. Clark seconded it, and Sedlacek made it unanimous.
- Clark made the motion to recess into another executive session for Attorney Client privileges to discuss legal liability for 23 minutes, starting at 9:35 a.m. and reconvening at 9:58 a.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room. Sedlacek seconded it, and Stuber made it unanimous.
- Stuber made the motion to recess into an executive session for non-elected personnel to protect employee confidentiality; to discuss employee job performance for 12 minutes with the Commissioners beginning at 11:33 a.m. Stuber seconded it; the motion passed.

5. Departmental Updates:

- Undersheriff Jarred introduced newly hired deputy Michael Komma.

- Attorney Schlotterbeck discussed the monthly payment for the city dispatch contract until a resolution is reached.
- EMS Director Cari Cavender presented her annual employment contract, which was approved for 2024.
- Clark made the motion to authorize the chair to sign Cavender’s 2024 contract. Stuber seconded it, and Sedlacek made it unanimous.
- Approval was granted for the purchase of a workstation for \$7,650.00 to be paid out of the Ambulance budget.

6. Solid Waste Updates:

- Solid Waste Supervisor Tracy Parks updated the board on the search for a roll-off truck and maintenance of the garage door. Sedlacek made the motion for \$1,065.55 for door parts at the transfer station. Stuber seconded it, and Clark made it unanimous.
- Other updates included placing an ad for a Solid Waste Worker, plans to sell cardboard from Lola, and a discussion on the tire policy.

7. Other Business:

- Dimick announced plans to hire two employees after the new year.
- Sheriff Jeff McCullough discussed the City Dispatch contract, raising concerns about payment discrepancies. Stuber volunteered to attend the next City Council meeting for further discussions.

8. Financial Approval and Adjournment:

- Clark made the motion to pay vouchers for \$32,900.25. Sedlacek seconded it, and Stuber made it unanimous.
- The meeting was adjourned at 11:52 a.m. by Sedlacek.

Jerry Sedlacek, Chairman

Attest: _____

Tesla Bayles, Woodson Certified County Clerk

Justin Clark, Vice-Chairman

Kevin Stuber, Member