

Minutes

April 18, 2024

Commissioners present: Timothy Bechtol, Michael Pepple and William Bateson.

Also Present: Alec Helms, Cindy Land, Phil Johnson, Auditor Charity Rauschenberg, Adam Witteman, Tim Stuart, Kenzi Tucker, Denise Timberman, Bob Wisner and Cindy Wisner.

Commissioner Bechtol opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's 1st floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the April 16th, 2024 meetings were read with Michael Pepple making a motion to approve, William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Michael Pepple made a motion to approve Warrant Journal. William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0. The Commissioners approved payroll for their employees and JFS.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #244-24 – Repayment of advances from the Ditch Maintenance Fund #2004 to the General Fund #100. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve and William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #245-24 – Advance of funds from the General Fund #1001 to Ditch Maintenance Fund #2004. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve and William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #246-24 – Additional appropriation - within the Auditor's certification - Commissioner's to appropriate to Veterans Service Trust Fund #5152. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve and William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Cindy Land presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #247-24 – Authorizing an agreement with the City of Findlay for Tyler Tech for server hosting services related to the Tyler New World Software programs used by the Hancock County Sheriff's Office. Cindy stated this system is used mainly by the Sheriff's department but other departments use it as well. Tim Stuart explained which offices use this, how the system is ran and the reasoning behind the city housing the servers. Cindy explained what the is done by the city that we are being charged for and she stated this contract is for \$21,254.89. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve and William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #248-24 – Hancock County authorizing to participate in the ODOT the 2024 Road Salt Contract. Cindy stated this is done every year and this authorize complete the document that is required to participate in the program. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve and William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #249-24 – Resolution authorizing the 2024 annual payment to the Financial Assurance Trust Fund for the Hancock County Sanitary Landfill. Cindy stated this is done yearly and it is calculated by the EPA based on the amount of volume in our landfill at the end of 2023. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve and William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Auditor Rauschenberg stated that tax distributions have gone out. She explained she was able to send some fees back to entities that were not anticipated due to having less having less tax appeals then expected.

There was a discussion where the Rover Pipeline case is and how it is affecting the delinquent taxes.

Tim Stuart provide an update on where we are with the expansion of the fiber loop to reach the radio tower. He stated we will need to have the Cigma Change Order and a new agreement with the schools put in place before they can do the work on the fiber loop. There was a discussion on the time frame of when the tower will be done.

Phil Johnson requested an executive session in regards to potential real estate acquisition.

Denise Timberman provided the Commissioner with some information on how larger the new proposed turbines will be in comparison to other large landmarks. She inquired about the status of the letter the Commissioners have agreed to write on behalf of the residents. Cindy stated she is working on it. Denise asked if the Commissioners have been able to reach out to any state representatives about setting up a meeting. Commissioner Bateson stated they are waiting for the letter to be complete. Denise asked the Commissioners if they had any authority about drones flying after dark. Denise was told they do not have any authority about that but they would recommend calling the Sheriff's office to file a report.

Meetings/Reports

William Bateson had nothing to report.

Michael Pepple had nothing to report.

Tim Bechtol had nothing to report.

At 10:04 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss potential real estate acquisition. William Bateson seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Michael Pepple: yes; William Bateson: yes; Timothy Bechtol: yes;

At 10:20 a.m., Timothy Bechtol made a motion to come out of executive session having discussed potential real estate acquisition with no action taken. William Bateson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

At 10:20 a.m., the Commissioners met with Courtney Comstock. Also present was Alec Helms, Cindy Land, Phil Johnson, Rhonda Dingelstedt, Auditor Charity Rauschenberg and Adam Witteman. Courtney stated she wanted to come in and provide the Commissioners with a few updates. The international truck that was being repaired is being picked up today. The rental has been returned. She has been trying to contact Cooper Tire to verify if they would like to sponsor the Tire Pick Up event like they have previously. If they do not want to sponsor the event we will have to pay for the disposal of the tires and possibly the trailer rental. We are required to have this due to it being in our solid waste plan. Courtney provided prior year numbers. Rhonda stated it cost the landfill \$3,220.00 for a semi size trailer of tires. The Paper Shred Event will be August 3rd. All Shred will be there and they are planning to have it at the County Home again. The Backyard Mission Trip event is next Saturday. Normally the county provides a plaque for the

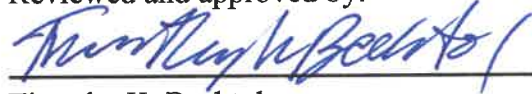
volunteer's cars to dump a load for free and contribute up to \$200 worth of breakfast items and snacks for the volunteers. The Commissioners agreed to do both of those things again this year. There was a discussion on how Courtney plans to cover the CDL driver needs with her current employee now that the Engineer and Landfill are not able to provide as much assistance due to being in their busy time of year. Courtney thanked the Commissioners for getting the HHW bid out and Cindy provided an update on the questions that have been asked. Commissioner Pepple asked for an update on how things are going at Litter Landing. Courtney explained the volume coming in and the reality of the amount of contaminated materials coming in that are not able to be sorted. Phil provided an update on where we are with the Rumpke contract. Courtney provided an update on the staffing issues and how the temporary employees are working out for their needs. Commissioner Bechtol suggested contacting Rumpke to see if they would take our contaminated mixed bales on an interim basis until our contract is set into place to help stop dumping these into the landfill. Commissioner Pepple stated he will reach out to Rumpke.

Respectfully submitted,



Alec Helms, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:



Timothy K. Bechtol



Michael W. Pepple



William L. Bateson