

Minutes

December 28, 2023

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

Also Present: Alec Helms, Phil Johnson, Adam Witteman, Steve Wilson, Angela Bateson and Lou Wilin from the Courier

Commissioner Bateson 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 December 21, 2023 meeting were read with Michael Pepple making a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Commissioners approved payroll for their office and JFS.

The Assistant Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #984-23 – Authorizing the payment of the listed and/or attached Purchase Orders. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #985-23 – Repayment of advance from Water Pollution Control Fund #2202 to the General Fund #1001. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #986-23 – Transfer of funds from the General Fund #1001 to Severance Fund #2136. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #987-23 – Transfer of funds from General Fund #1001 to Capital Project Fund #4150. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #988-23 – Transfer of funds from General Fund #1001 to Juvenile Probate Capital Project Fund #4235. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #989-23 – Transfer of funds from General Fund #1001 to Sheriff Capital Project Fund #4185. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #990-23 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation-General Fund #1001. Michael Pepple made a motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Phil Johnson requested executive session in regards to potential real estate acquisition and lease and potential litigation.

Meetings/Reports

Michael Pepple had nothing to report.

Tim Bechtol stated that all the Commissioners attended the McComb daycare ground breaking last Thursday. The addition will be great for that community. Commissioner Bechtol stated that he feels they have made great progress from where we were at this time last year.

Commissioner Bechtol asked Steve Wilson to clear up what Sunny Farms landfill is looking to do in Hancock County as there was a letter to the editor in today's paper. Steve Wilson stated they cannot build a landfill but they can build support mechanisms for their landfill. There cannot be any direct solid waste placement put into them in Hancock County. Commissioner Bechtol asked if the board has any jurisdiction over that. Steve Wilson stated they have no jurisdiction. This would fall to zoning and the township and most of this is being done in Washington Township.

William Bateson stated he wants to thank the other two commissioners for filling in for him during his time off. He stated last year at this time we had a lot of doubt about how to move forward but we have now got the building going and getting closer to having the benching done. There are a lot of good things going on for the county.

At 9:40 a.m., William Bateson made a motion to enter into executive session in regards to potential real estate acquisition and lease and potential litigation. Timothy Bechtol seconded. A roll call vote resulted as follows: William Bateson, yes; Timothy Bechtol, yes; Michael Pepple, yes;

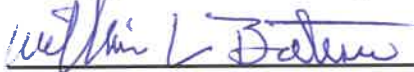
At 10:19 a.m., William Bateson made a motion to come out of executive session, in regards to potential real estate acquisition and lease and potential litigation with no action taken. Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Alec Helms, Assistant Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:



William L. Bateson



Timothy K. Bechtol



Michael W. Pepple