

Minutes

May 30, 2023

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

Also Present: Lynn Taylor, Cindy Land, Auditor Rauschenberg and Adam Witteman.

Commissioner Bateson opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the May 25, 2023 were read with Michael Pepple making the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

A travel request was approved for the Engineer's Office. The May Explosive Gas Monitoring Report was signed

The Clerk presented the following resolutions for consideration:

Resolution #352-23 – Authorizing the payment of the listed and/or attached Purchase Orders. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #353-23 – Transfer of funds within the appropriation – General Fund Sheriff #1001. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #354-23 – Repayment of advance from Water Pollution Control to the General Fund #1001. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #355-23 – Release of permissive tax- Village of Vanlue to pay for catch basin maintenance throughout the village \$3,000.00. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #356-23 – Repayment of advance from Ditch Maintenance Fund #2004 to the General Fund #1001. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #357-23 – Advance of funds from the General Fund #1001 to Ditch Maintenance Fund #2004. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Cindy Land presented the following resolution for consideration:

Resolution # 358-23 – Authorizing the 2024 Title XX Profile for Hancock County Job & Family Services. Cindy explained that a hearing is needed to decide how to use the funds for this program, however it was decided in April 2022 that a bi-annual hearing would be necessary. Therefore, the next hearing will be in 2024. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #359-23 – Authorizing the Hancock County Commissioners to Approve an Agreement between the Hancock County Job and Family Services and Harbor, to Provide Summer Youth Employment Program Services. Cindy explained that the contract is for \$38,000 through TANF funds. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution #360-23 – Resolution Authorizing the Hancock County Commissioners to enter into an Amendment to the contract with U.S.A. Cab, LLC, to provide necessary transportation services. The utilization of this program is increasing, so additional funds are needed for JFS. Michael Pepple made the motion to approve, Timothy Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Auditor Rauschenberg wanted to follow up on the timing of the bond borrowing. The deadline has been moved back a week due to the holiday and a larger pool of bank interest. Mike Pepple stated that Premier Bank is not interested. Auditor Rauschenberg acknowledged. A discussion was held regarding the importance of getting the signed documents back from ACI.

### **Meetings and Reports**

Mike Pepple had nothing to report.

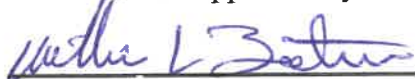
Timothy Bechtol stated that he received and reviewed the three statement of qualifications for the special inspector for the new Probate and Juvenile Building. They are all well qualified and respectable. A decision needs to be made very quickly. Cindy suggested that the Board ranks them via a score sheet and she can get a resolution on as soon as Thursday if she has the information.

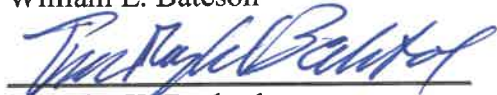
Bill Bateson stated that he attended the Memorial Day ceremony at the Arlington Cemetery.

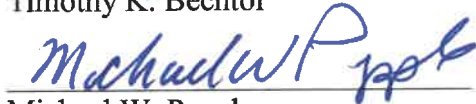
At 11:00 a.m., the Commissioner's held an annexation hearing for the CR 212 & CR 236 request. Cindy Land, Phil Rooney, Lynn Taylor and Alec Helms were in attendance. Please see attached sign in sheet for additional attendees. Bill Bateson opened the meeting and Alec Helms read the history of the annexation request into the record. Phil Rooney stated that he felt this annexation request was in the best interest of the city and the county. Therefore, he is in favor of the annexation. Cindy Land stated that the City has provided a road maintenance agreement and it has been signed by the city officials. She spoke to Doug Cade and he informed Cindy that he had no issue with the road maintenance agreement if the annexation goes forward. It addresses the roads leading up to the area submitted for annexation. There was a discussion regarding the intersection among homeowners and Jeremy Kalb. Tim Bechtol inquired if a stop light will be placed in the area and Jeremy indicated that the conduit will be placed, however he wants to wait until the later to determine if a light is needed. He explained that the changes made will help with the area and there may not need a light. It's easier to include the conduit now as opposed to later. Mike Pepple would like time to study the annexation. Bill Bateson stated that a decision will be made within 30 days at a public meeting. Phil Rooney did state that time is of the essence as the city has already placed a bulldozer at the location for the improvements to start. They would like to get this done before the weather turns. The Board acknowledged. Mike Pepple made the motion to end the hearing and Tim Bechtol seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

  
Lynn Taylor, Clerk

Reviewed and approved by:

  
William L. Bateson

  
Timothy K. Bechtol

  
Michael W. Pepple

