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Minutes of the Daviess County Commission

December 13, 2023

The Honorable Daviess County Commission met on this 13th day of December 2023 at 8:00 a.m. Jim Ruse, Presiding Commissioner called the meeting to order. David Cox, 1st District is present. Wayne Uthe, 2nd District is absent.

The Commission approved last week’s minutes, brush letters, and invoices for payment.

James Lewis, Road and Bridge Supervisor, updated the Commission on the projects they have worked on since last Wednesday. The crew put a tube in on Waltz and 265th Street in Monroe Township. They hauled rip rap to fill in a washed-out tube on County Line in Lincoln Township. They fixed a pothole in front of a bridge on 280th Street in Jackson Township.

The Commission reviewed the bids received from IT companies. More details are needed before a decision can be made. This issue is tabled until next week.

The Commission reviewed the Courthouse’s 2024 Holiday Schedule. Wayne Uthe made a motion to approve the 2024 Holiday Schedule, David Cox seconded. 3 – Aye, 0 – No. The motion passed.

The Commission discussed the three open positions on the Daviess County Board for the Developmentally Disabled (Senate Bill 40). The Commission reviewed the three applications they received. David Cox made a motion to appoint Brenda Wright, Jeanette Sprague, and Julie Osborn to serve on the SB40 board for three-year terms beginning in January 2024, Wayne Uthe seconded. 3 – Aye, 0 – No. The motion passed.

The Commission discussed BRO 42 Progressive Invoice #6, David Cox made a motion to approve the invoice. Wayne Uthe seconded. 3 – Aye, 0 – No. The motion passed.

The Commission received two letters of interest for BRO 02 from two engineering companies: McClure Engineering and Hutchison Engineering. The Commission have until the end of the day to received one more letter of interest. Issue continued.

The Commission approved to add two portions of roads in Union township to the CART program, the paperwork will be sent to MoDot. Issue continued.

The Commission discussed the TAC meeting scheduled for Thursday December 14. Wayne Uthe will attend the meeting.

Larry Adam, Sheriff met with the Commission to discuss budget and other plans for the 2024 year.

Shonna Morrison, 3C Power in Partnership met with the Commission to review and sign the contract for 3C Power in Partnership to occupy the County’s South property. David Cox made a motion to approve and sign the contract, Wayne Uthe seconded. 3 – Aye, 0 – No. The motion passed.

The Commission attended the fourth quarter LEPC meeting from noon until 1:00 p.m.

Gary McFee met the Commission to discuss BRO 39, Gary updated that all landowners have signed their easements. Gary requested the Commission sign their part of the right of ways and the easements.

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In the afternoon the Commissioners inspected roads, culverts, bridges, and brush in Benton, and Grand River Townships.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

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 Presiding Commissioner 1st District Commissioner 2nd District Commissioner

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County Clerk

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