

Minutes of the Daviess County Commission
December 4, 2024

The Honorable Daviess County Commission met on this 4th day of December 2024 at 8:00 a.m. Jim Ruse, Presiding Commissioner, called the meeting to order. David Cox, 1st District, and Wayne Uthe, 2nd District are present.

The Commission approved last week's minutes, and invoices for payment.

James Lewis, Road and Bridge Supervisor updated the Commission on the projects they have been working on since last Wednesday. The crew installed a tube by Jameson in Grand River Township.

OLD BUSINESS:

Plaster repairs are still ongoing in other areas around the Courthouse. Kramer's crew is also working on the woodwork in the jury room.

BRIDGES:

The Commission reviewed BRO 42 Progressive Invoice #15 and BRO 002 Progressive Invoice #4. David Cox made a motion to approve both invoice payments and Wayne Uthe seconded the motion. 3 – Aye, 0 – No. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

County Clerk Rachel Taylor informed the Commission that the company that put out poisonous bird food is no longer in business. The County is searching for a new company.

The Commission reviewed applications for the two open positions for the Developmentally Disabled Senate Bill 40 (SB40). The Commission received three applications. Wayne Uthe made a motion to appoint Markay August and Vanessa Mullins to serve on the SB40 board for three-year terms beginning in January 2025, David Cox seconded the motion. 3 – Aye, 0 – No. The Commission chose to save the other applicant for future needs. Letters will be sent to inform all applicants and to the SB40 board.

Patrick Geschwind, Independent consultant, met with the Commission to offer assistance for executive, leadership, and management transitions. No action was taken at this time.

Sheriff Larry Adams met with the Commission to discuss his intent to purchase two new vehicles for the Sheriff's office in 2025. The dealership required a signature on the quote provided. David made a motion to sign the quote to show intent to purchase, and Wayne Uthe seconded the motion. 3 – Aye, 0 – No. Motion passed.

The first set of budget meetings began. The Commission met with the Extension Council, Sheriff Larry Adams, Assessor Aaron Piburn, Collector/Treasurer Lacey Corwin, Circuit Court Sandy Dustman, Judges Horsman and Adkins, County Clerk Rachel Taylor, and Recorder Tiffany Tadlock.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Approved:

Presiding Commissioner

1st District Commissioner

2nd District Commissioner

Attest:

County Clerk

Date _____