

TIPTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING: JANUARY 2, 2024
REGULAR MEETING:

The Tipton County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Sessions on Monday, January 2, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance were Dennis Henderson, Tracey Powell, Nancy Cline, and County Attorney, Mark Regnier.

Others Present: Steve Brown, Rich Vautaw, Abbie Smith, Kreig Smith, Bret Morris, Phil Beer.

The meeting was opened with a word of prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Commissioner, Pastor Brown from Normanda Christian Church.

Reorganization of the Tipton County Commissioners:

In a motion to nominate President Dennis Henderson as president by Commissioner Cline. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell and the motion was carried.

In a motion to nominate Vice-President Tracey Powell as vice-president by Commissioner Cline. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Henderson and the motion was carried.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes were tabled.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:

The Payroll and Operating Claims were presented as follows:

Payroll Claims: The Commissioners' Payroll claims in the amount of \$215,714.35 payment on 1-5-24, were submitted and approved as presented on a motion by Cline. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell, and the motion was carried.

Operating Claims: The Commissioners' Early Docket for payment on 12/20/2023, in the amount of \$174,300.00 were submitted and approved as presented in a motion by Commissioner Powell. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cline, and the motion was carried.

The Commissioners' Early Drainage Board (Resolution) claims for payment on 12/18/23 in the amount of \$61,873.80 were submitted and approved as presented in a motion by Commissioner Powell. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cline, and the motion was carried.

The Commissioners' Operating claims for payment on 1/2/24, in the amount of \$1,121,543.03 were submitted and approved as presented in a motion by Commissioner Powell. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cline, and the motion was carried.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENT BUSINESS AND REPORTS:

County Maintenance Supervisor:

Rich Vautaw didn't have any updates.

Sheriff: N/A

Bret Morris Highway Superintendent:

Bret Morris stated generator works manually will have connected automatically by next week. Bret gave an update on the new highway truck since the Commissioner approved has been ordered and should arrive sometime early spring.

County attorney Regnier asked Bret if a speed limit sign of 55 is posted on the new naming of the Fernung Road and Bret stated he would need to check. The Commissioners and attorney agreed the speed limit should be 35 since there are housing additions in this area. Superintendent Bret Morris and County Highway Engineer Phil Beer agreed.

County Highway Engineer:

Phil Beer gave an update on construction for Bridge #26 300 West. This bridge will need utility lines replaced and will take 3 phases and could take up to 60 days for completion. Mr. Beer is asking from the Commissioner for approval for advertisement for bids on Bridge #26 for January 22, 2024 and bids to be awarded on February 12, 2024. Approved by Commissioner Cline. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell and the motion was carried. Bid approvals by January 29, 2024, bid awarded by February 12, 2024. Approved by Commissioner Cline. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell and the motion was carried.

Commissioner Powell questioned if the traffic study for state road 28 has been scheduled yet and Phil Beer stated he would check into it and get back to the commissioners.

The contract for 2024 USI amount \$39600.00 was approved by Commissioner Powell. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell and the motion was carried.

Phil Beer sent updated reports to the Commissioners on the BOT projects. Nancy Cline provided additional updates in the last County Council meeting and extended any additional questions the council may have. The Fairground roof has now been completed; Phil Beer hasn't seen the additional cost of the extra sheeting invoice. He will provide that information at the next Commissioner meeting.

Commissioner Henderson noted that he received the check \$38,629.71 for the 7 ½ acres for solar panels from the Industrial Park. He will deliver the check to the Auditors office to be received into the General-Edit fund.

NEW BUSINESS:

Board of Commissioners Appointments of Boards 2024:

Commissioners

Dennis Henderson
Tracey Powell
Nancy Cline

Co. Plan Commission

Tracey Powell

Co BZA

Korey Henderson

City Plan Commission

Blake Edwards

Ag Extension

Jeremy Bennett

Zoning Appeals

Korey Henderson

Health Board

Kiley McQuinn
Tamera Brown

911 Executive

Dennis Henderson

Joint 911 Advisory

The attorney will review if the board is still active.

Emergency Management

The attorney will review if the board is still active.

Alcohol Beverage

Commissioner Powell will call John to see if he would still like to be on board.

Library

Current

Comm Correction-Dissolved

Animal control-Dissolved

Big Cicero-

Austin Henderson pending acceptance.

Tipton County Foundation

Abbie Smith 2022

Solid Waste

Dennis Henderson

Tracey Powell

Nancy Cline will contact Alice.

PTBOA

Phil Herron

Ken Ziegler

GOODWILL

Dennis Henderson

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Adam Dewitt

COUNTY ATTORNEY

Mark Regnier

RDC

Dennis Henderson

Tracey Powell

Replaced Nancy Cline will be Tom McKinney

SCHOOL BOARD-Dissolved

DRAINAGE BOARD

Dennis Henderson

Tracey Powell

Nancy Cline

REGIONAL PLANNING

Tracey Powell

ADA

Need to find a replacement for Sherry Crawford.

AREA COUNSELING

Auditor will contact Leslie Woods

AMBULANCE-Dissolved

JAIL BLD-Dissolved

AUDIT FINANCING-Dissolved

A motion was made to appoint members to current boards by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Cline. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

2024 Contract for Animal Services
Tabled

Attorney Comments:

County attorney Mark Regnier requested from the Commissioner approval of 1st reading of Ordinance BOC 2024-1 re-naming of road along US 31 Fernung Road. A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Cline and seconded by Commissioner Powell. The motion carried. Requested suspend the rules of the second reading of Ordinance BOC 2024-1 a motion was approved, was made by Commissioner Cline, and seconded by Commissioner Powell. The motion carried. Adopted the Ordinance BOC 2024-1 a motion was approved was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Cline. The motion carried.

ALS/BLS Contracts

The County Attorney requested approval from Commissioner for the \$50,000 written contract from BLS for Seals. A motion to approve a written contract for the \$50,000 for Seals Ambulance was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Cline. The motion carried.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:

Commissioner Powell emailed information on Readi II to Commissioners.

The Court house is closed Monday January 15, 2024, observation of Martin Luther King Day.

Next Board of Commissioners meeting will be held on Tuesday January 16, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment. Henderson made a motion to close public comment. Powell seconded to close public comment. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned on a motion made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Cline. The motion carried.

Approved this 2, day of January 2024.

Dennis Henderson, President

Nancy Cline, Vice President

Tracey Powell, Commissioner

Attest:

Melissa Pickering, Tipton County Auditor and
Secretary to the Board of Commissioners
Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2024.
LW (Type initials of preparer)