

TIPTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING: APRIL 8TH, 2024

REGULAR MEETING:

The Tipton County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, April 8, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Those in attendance were Dennis Henderson, Tracey Powell, Nancy Cline, County Attorney, Mark Regnier, and Board Secretary and Auditor, Melissa Pickering.

Not in attendance: Auditor, Mellissa Pickering was not in attendance (Ashley came on behalf of the Auditor).

Others Present: Steve Brown, Dick Klein, Mark Regnier, Rich Vautaw, Phil Beer, Kreigh Smith, Abbie Smith, Jim Ankrum, Patrick O'Donnell, Shannon Cassons, John Walsh, Heath Moreland, and Lorie Wesseler.

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

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:

The Payroll and Operating Claims were presented as follows:

Salary/ Payroll Expense (pay on 4/12/2024) \$224,180.60 (time 00:06)

Commissioner Cline Motioned to approve Payroll for \$224,180.60

Commissioner Powell Seconded

Motion carried.

Claims & Early Docket(s) (time 00:20)

Regular Claims Docket BOC (pay on 4/8/2024) \$367,856.38

Commissioner Powell motioned to approve Claims Docket BOC of \$367,856.38

Commissioner Cline Seconded

Motion carried.

Early Docket – Walker Hughes Insurance (paid on 3/28/2024) \$244,022.96

Commissioner Cline moved to approve the Insurance Docket of \$244,022.96

Commissioner Powell seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Early Docket – BMV for title registration Highway (paid on 4/4/2024) \$15.00.

Commissioner Powell motioned to approve the BMV docket of \$15.00.

Commissioner Cline seconded.

Motion carried,

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: (time 03:00)

Regular Meeting Minutes February 26, 2024

Regular Meeting Minutes March 11, 2024

Regular Meeting Minutes March 25, 2024

Joint Meeting Minutes of the RDC

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Ray Sheppard – Jail Commander – Employee Recognition (time 13:20)

Presenting the Sheriff's Life Savings Award Corporal Anderson.

Sheriff Matt Tebbe – Tipton County Animal Ordinance (time 16:10)

The sheriff's department will enforce the rules on animal control but the humanin society can help give the sheriff's department information but not take it into their hands.

The update on the gun range being close to done.

Did not realize his department did not get involved with a pension with PERF, he needs a pension for his guys.

3 of the cars they ordered are on the way.

Bret Morris – County Highway Superintendent's Progress Report (time 29:00)

PEL meeting on Monday April 15th.

He would like the Fair grounds mowers for the highway.

Commissioner Cline moves to allow the county highway mowers to use the two fairgrounds' mowers.

Commissioner Powell seconded.

Motion carried.

Bret would also like to surplus the 1980 John deer at the county highway.

Commissioner Powell motioned to surplus the 1980 john deer at the county highway.

Commissioner Cline seconded.

Motion carried.

Still working on master plan for 2024 season highways.

Phil Beer – County Highway Engineer (Engineer's Progress Report) (time 32:50)

The landfill got sent a proposal for the ground water and methane monitoring for 2024 by ATLAS of \$31,142.84.

Commissioner Powell motioned to accept the proposal of \$31,142.48.

Commissioner Cline seconded.

Motion carried.

Old State Road 28 is still in progress due to weather.

Rich Vautaw – Maintenance Department (Mowing Contract Approval) (time 01:01:30)

Rich presented the mowing bids (thanking the auditors office for creating the spreadsheet).

They recommended EnvyTerf.

Commissioner Powell moved to accept EnvyTerf to do the mowing and to win the bidding.

Commissioner Cline seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Steve Niblick – Plan Commission – Campbell Crossing Favorable Recommendation. (time 1:07:05)

Jason Henderson on behalf of the Planning Commission

Needs a Motion to deny CO-Z-0124

Commissioner Cline so moved the motion.

Commissioner Powell seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Steve Ray – NCIRPC (time 03:15)

Update on planning council; over the last nine years they have secured more than 22million dollars not including ready funds. The impact on each counties includes 35million from ready fund, Tipton County got 4.6million of it over the last 3-4 years, \$30million 21 projects across all 6 counties total of 3 billion dollars in investments.

Asking counties to approve regional strategy.

Commissioners have decided to look over it before making any decisions.

Ready #2 will be announced April 11 500million dollars will be awarded among 15 regions, 75million maximum reward, 250million dollar Lilly endowment grant. After the amount is announced planning for what projects should get that money shall take place.

Broad band high speed internet (time 1:21:10)

Internet company.

So, what is broadband? According to the FCC, the definition of broadband internet is a minimum of 25 Mbps download and 3 Mbps upload speeds. Broadband provides high speed internet access via multiple types of technologies including fiber optics, wireless, cable, DSL, and satellite.

Commissioner Powell moves to accept the agreement with SAN strategies with Broadband in Tipton County.

Commissioner Cline seconded.

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS (time 1:33:17)

Had commissioners sign paper for auditors' office regarding health information for employees in the auditor's office.

Commissioner Cline motions to approve HIPPA security and for Commissioner Henderson to sign it.

Commissioner Powell seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

There was no discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (time 1:35:25)

Dadrian – Tipton High School Game-day T-shirts

Community member

Plan commission had no information on the agenda.

Commissioner Cline asks Attorney Mark on the legality of the matter. Mark goes on to inform the members and public they have broken no laws and staying within legality.
Encourages senators to do better by being transparent with the community.
Bill searches the matter and cannot find the answer to the community member's situation. He suggests reformatting the website a bit to make things easier for the community and public, making things transparent. He states that if the information is not provided to him, he cannot solve an unknown problem.
Shannon discusses PERF.
She states, "majority of everybody is on the side of PERF" (Although this information is not backed up by evidence).
Commissioner Cline moves to close public comment.
Commissioner Powell seconds.
Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT (time 1:46:12):

Commissioner Powell motioned to adjourn the meeting.
Commissioner Clines seconded.
Motion carried.

Approved this 8th, day of April, 2024.

Dennis Henderson, President

Tracey Powell , Vice President

Nancy Cline , Commissioner

Attest:

Melissa Pickering, Tipton County Auditor and
Secretary to the Board of Commissioners
Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2024.