

**PIKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 16, 2024 @ 8:30 AM**

**Mark Flint
Jeff Nelson
Ryan Coleman**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by BOC President Mark Flint. All Commissioners were present in addition to County Attorney Val Fleig, Auditor Judith Gumbel, and County Administrator Kristi Dischinger. Also in attendance were County Sheriff Jason McKinney, Jail Commander Brian Maxwell, County Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd, County Recorder Misty Coleman, EMS Director Chris Young, and E-911 Assistant Director Brittany Staake.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 2, 2024

President Flint asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. Hearing none, he called for a motion. Commissioner Ryan Coleman seconded by Commissioner Jeff Nelson motioned to approve the minutes. Motion passed 3 – 0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR JANUARY 16, 2024

Commissioner Flint asked if there were any questions regarding the claims that were presented. Hearing none, he called for a motion. Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the claims. Motion passed 3 – 0.

OLD BUSINESS

RFP's for Sheriff Surveillance Camera

Sheriff McKinney and Jail Commander Maxwell discussed the bids that were received for the jail cameras. Bids were received from Security Automation Systems, ERS Wireless (2) and Securitas Technology Corporation. It is a complicated issue. When the jail was built, the system chosen was a Stanley product. The cameras, door locks, etc were all Stanley products, and they are synchronized. Stanley was purchased by Securitas. If cameras are purchased from another vendor, they will have to be connected to the system. When the Stanley system was installed, the purchase agreement required any competitive vendor replacing a part of the original system to pay a fee to be integrated into the Stanley system. Commander Maxwell stated that he was told that the minimum cost for integration would be \$22,800 as dependent to what issues developed during the process. The RFP stated that all quotes would reflect a price that included this fee as well as all other costs. The **only** bid that met all of the specifics of the RFP was Securitas. Various thoughts were mentioned such as to replacing the entire system which would be a huge cost in addition to the cameras. The ERS system has better cameras, but the Securitas camera is a good camera. President Flint asked Sheriff McKinney what he wanted and his answer was "Cameras."

After much discussion, Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson moved to accept the Securitas Technology Corporation bid at a bid quote of \$216,621.02. The other two bids were not responsive to the RFP. Motion passed 3 – 0. Note: It will take 8 to 10 months to receive the cameras due to the supply chain.

2024 Appointments

President Flint asked Commissioner Nelson if he was okay with serving on the Economic Development Commission, and he was. Commissioner Flint is also willing to continue on the Economic Development Commission.

Employee Appointments named :

County Administrator – Kristi Dischinger
EMS Director – Chris Young
Highway Superintendent – Josh Byrd
Veteran’s Officer – Dennis Weitkamp
County Attorney – Val Fleig

Redevelopment Commission Appointees named: Commissioner Coleman and Commissioner Flint.

911 Advisory Board Appointee named: Commissioner Nelson

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to appoint those listed above to the designated position. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Amendment to Jefferson Township Lease Agreement, EMS

EMS Director explained that with the change to the 24/7 transport crew, medics are now sleeping at Jefferson Township Fire Dept. Until this time the transport crew was a 10-hr per day shift. One ambulance is based at Jefferson Township. This is now an identical schedule to the one at Patoka Township Fire District and we pay Patoka double what we have been paying Jefferson Township. To equal the Patoka rate, the rental rate to Jefferson needs to increase from \$375 to \$750 per month.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to increase the Jefferson Township Rental rate to \$750 per month. Motion carried 3 – 0.

NEW BUSINESS

LOW Agreement W2's – Auditor

Auditor Judith Gumbel explained that it is no longer an option to paper file the employees W-2's with the Federal or State Government. In order to file an entity has to have a TCC number. This agreement allows Pike County to use LOW's TCC. The cost is \$300.00.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the agreement. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Auto Billing Contract - Recorder's Office

Recorder Misty Coleman explained that her predecessor had negotiated a contract with Fidler that auto billed the County. Fidler has been slow in getting it installed in Pike County. The service will eliminate in-house billing. Fidler will hold a check for up to 10-days. There is a fee for the service, but it is charged to the citizen using the service. Recorder Coleman asked the Commissioners to approve the contract.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the contract. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Approval to Bid Highway Trucks

Superintendent Josh Byrd stated that it was not known at budget time that Sternberg International would have a truck available for purchase in 2024. They currently have 2 slots available for tandems. Highway has a MAC 1998 International with 1,314,000 miles on it at the time the odometer stopped working and a Sterling that has 1,700,000 miles on it at the time the odometer stopped. Highway would like to replace both of these trucks. These are 9-liter trucks with sand bed and blade. The price is \$199,974.83 per truck. These will be available in approximately 8 months. If these trucks are not purchased, in all likelihood it will be January of 2025 before they know if there will be any trucks available in 2025. A bid process would not have to be completed to purchase trucks because the County can go through Source Well to make the purchase and they have already bid the trucks.

Commissioner Flint asked what needed to be done at this time. Superintendent Byrd stated that he needed to know what the Commissioners would like for him to do. Buy one, two or none. Then he can go to the Council with this plus his current inventory of trucks and other equipment.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned for the Highway Department to request two trucks. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Highway Additional

The request for the Additional Appropriation was for \$102,455 from Fund 1112 CEDIT to replace the wooden bridge on 475 N. This bridge has to be quoted. The inspection report shows that this bridge needs to be replaced and has been on the list for replacement for a while.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve the Additional Appropriation Request from Fund CEDIT, 1112. Motion passed 3 – 0.

EMS Transfer

EMS Director Young explained that this will be used for the 5 % match funds for a FEMA grant to purchase radios. Grant has already been approved by FEMA. The request is \$500 transfer from Fuel to Radio-Dept and \$2,250 from Radio Supplies to Radio-Dept for a total of \$2,750.00 transfer to the Radio-Dept.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the transfer. Motion passed 3 – 0.

BUSINESS BY COMMISSIONERS

Collective Bargaining Agreement 2024.

This item was to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement 2024, a 4-year contract, between Pike County and the Teamster's for the Highway Department.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve the agreement. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Add Claims to Pre-Approved List; Blue Ribbon, Culligan, & Hand's (inc. price)

County Administrator Kristi Dischinger asked the Commissioners to add these three Vendors' service agreement to the pre-approved claims list to enable her to pay the claims more quickly. Blue Ribbon is for the port-a-johns, Culligan is for the water cooler on 3rd floor and Hands is for the monthly courthouse pest spray.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the request to add the vendors to the pre-approved list. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Commissioner- Solid Waste

Ms. Dischinger requested a transfer of \$65.00 from Building Repair/Updates to Site Rentals in the Solid Waste Budget. There was a miscalculation in the Gray Farms lease of \$65.00 for the year.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the transfer. Motion passed 3 – 0.

E911 & EMA Director Resignation

President Flint explained that the Commissioner's received a letter of resignation from Ryan Benner who has resigned effective February 2, 2024 from his position of E-911/EMA Director. He asked who was doing the interim work, and Assistant EMA Director Young stated that he and E-911 Assistant Director Brittainy Staake were doing it. He also asked when the Advisory Board was meeting to select Ryan's replacement. Commissioner Nelson stated that they were meeting on January 29th. President Flint then asked for a motion to accept the resignation.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to accept Ryan Benner's resignation. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Highway Superintendent Byrd

Mr. Byrd stated that everything is together for the Community Crossings' Grant submissions. The roads have been picked. Ms. Britton is ready to write the applications. The department has purchased two used pick-ups from the Knox County Sheriff's Department. One is a 2019 and the other is a 2020. The trucks will be used by Josh and Curt and the trucks they are currently driving will be put into the fleet.

He stated that everyone had worked together to keep the roads cleared of fallen trees during the recent cold, windy weather.

BUSINESS BY PUBLIC – None

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, President Flint called for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to adjourn. Motion passed 3 – 0.



Mark Flint, President

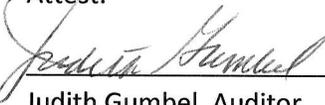


Ryan Coleman, Vice-President



Jeff Nelson, Member

Attest:



Judith Gumbel, Auditor

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Auditor