

MAY 18, 2020

REGULAR SESSION

PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Pulaski County Commissioners met in regular session Monday May 18, 2020 8:30AM at the Pulaski County Highway Garage training room. Commissioners present were Ken Becker, Jerry Locke, Mike McClure with Auditor Laura Wheeler and County Attorney Kevin Tankersley.

Also present were Nathan Origer, Amber Tomlinson, Patty Sullivan, JoLynn Behny, and Jeff Richwine.

President Kenny Becker opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: COURTHOUSE RENOVATION

Rowland Design's contract and resolution are being reviewed by County Attorney Kevin Tankersley. A Courthouse project committee consisting of John Masterson (representing the General Public), Nathan Origer of CDC, County Attorney Kevin Tankersley, County Auditor Laura Wheeler, Councilman Jay Sullivan, and Rowland Design representative has formed. Kenny Becker volunteered to server on this committee representing the County Commissioners and Nathan Origer will chair the committee.

An upfront cost of \$5,000.00 will be paid out of the CDC budget, but Council will need to fund the 9.5% of total construction cost fee.

IN RE: HIGHWAY

Gary Kruger asked to investigate the purchase/replacement of an old John Deere tractor with 14,000+ hours needing repairs as well as a brush mower that has transmission problems. Commissioners nodded consent.

IN RE: COVID-19

After discussing Executive Order 2020-02 designating that mask be worn in public places Kenny Becker made a motion to rescind said order effective immediately but highly encourages masks, hand washing, and social distancing. Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Executive Order 2020-01 that closed county buildings discussed briefly. Mike McClure then motioned to rescind this executive order as well allowing the department heads to handle as they see fit. Jerry Lock seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

Jerry Locke made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 30, 2020 Emergency Meeting and the May 4, 2020 regular meeting. Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Kenny Becker made a motion to approve claims and payroll as presented, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Pulaski County Highway the 75/25 percent Community Crossroads Grant of \$397,500.00 for the CR 400 E from 125 S to 225 S project. Kenny Becker motioned to approve and sign the grant agreement as presented, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Aviation requested to spend \$6,150.00 for runway sealing, pending Council's appropriation approval. This would come from their hangar rental fund. Kenny Becker made a motion to approve said amount, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Pulaski County Council requested that the Commissioners open liability insurance for bidding. Mike McClure made a motion to seek bids for the liability insurance, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENT

Patty Sullivan and JoLynn Behny came before the board on behalf of the Election Board. Due to the continued pandemic risk, the commissioners were asked to close the courthouse to the public on primary election day, June 2, 2020 and only open to election workers and media. Cautionary supplies such as mask, and hand sanitizers will be available at the polls.

Mike McClure made a motion to close the Court House June 2, 2020 to nonessential workers for the election, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

With no other business to discuss, Jerry Locke made a motion to adjourn at 9:00AM, Ken Becker seconded and motion carried with Mike McClure dissenting.

APPROVED AND SIGNED THIS 1ST DAY OF JUNE 2020.

PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

KEN BECKER

JERRY LOCKE

MIKE MCCLURE

Attest: _____
LAURA WHEELER, AUDITOR, PULASKI COUNTY