

OCTOBER 9, 2023

JOINT SESSION

**PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL**

The Pulaski County Commissioners and Pulaski County Council met in joint session Monday October 9, 2023 6:00PM at the Pulaski County Highway Department training room. Commissioners present were Charles Mellon, Maurice Loehmer, Michael McClure and Councilmembers present were Kenneth Boswell, Jeffrey Richwine, Sheila Hazemi-Jimenez, Bradley Bonnell, Jerry Locke along with County Auditor Laura Wheeler. Councilmembers Mike Tiede and Tim Overmyer absent.

Also present were Teresa Bryant, JoLynn Behny, Leeann Wright, Dr. Rex Allman, Nathan Origer, Cindy Hickle, Celinda Briney, Josh Dossor, Peter Ollis, Connie Ehrlich, Edwina Guffey, Richel Fox, Judge Crystal Kocher, Joe Moyer, Bill Champion, Chris Schramm.

President Mellon opened the Joint Session with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joint Session was recessed and Board of Finance meeting opened.

IN RE: BOARD OF FINANCE

CD's that need renewed about November 27, 2023 discussed. Michael McClure made a motion to renew the Cumulative Jail CD for \$200,000.00 for another six months, Charles Mellon seconded and motion carried unanimously. Michael McClure made a motion to adjourn, Charles Mellon seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Joint Session resumed.

IN RE: CLERK

Josh Dossor of US Imaging and Peter Ollis of Fidlar Technologies presented a summary of their services. These companies work together providing document scanning and archiving services, including designing the project, management of the entire back imaging process, onsite/offsite scanning importing images into County's land records system and linking the images to the searchable index, indexing of data fields, and redaction of SSN's. The public will have the ability to receive copies thru the system, generating income to the county. National background checks are done on all of their employees and can provide reference. The proposal is to scan only books located in the Clerk's vault. There is \$100,000.00 in the courthouse renovation budget for document retention. There is approximately \$94,000.00 in the clerk's perpetuation fund. Maurice Loehmer made a motion to accept proposal of \$144,179.70 to scan all of Clerk's books, allowing 24/7 access, and using \$50,000.00 from Clerk's Perpetuation Fund and remainder out of ARPA funds. Charles Mellon seconded and motion carried unanimously. It should take about 13 days to scan the books.

IN RE: CDC

A special Board of Commissioners meeting is needed for October 30th, 31st or November 1st to approve an amendment to the lease between Commissioners and the Building Corporation.

Maurice Loehmer made a motion to move forward with meeting on October 31, 2023, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Maurice Loehmer made a motion on behalf of the Commissioners to approve and sign the August 14, 2023 Joint Session minutes, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Jeffrey Richwine made a motion on behalf of Council to approve and sign the August 14, 2023 Joint Session minutes, Brad Bonnell seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Due to length of Joint Session, meeting was recessed and Council meeting was started. Council was immediately recessed and Joint Session reconvened.

IN RE: COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Leeann requested County's support in conducting a County-wide income survey in order to gain eligibility for OCRA (Office of Community and Rural Affairs) grant. KIRP-C will assist in the process, survey is good for 5 years and can be used for multiple grant opportunities. Charles Mellon made a motion to approve the survey, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Health Department is requesting to hire a full-time employee in order to split positions into Administration/Foods and Environmental/Emergency Preparedness. State is requesting that County increase number of inspections conducted. County Attorney needs to review job description and Matrix amended. School Liaison Officer was discussed. . Funding is only for 2 years and then County has to take over funding or opt-out. Is this to be a contracted position or an employee? Charles Mellon made a motion to have position as employee, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

With no other business to discuss, meeting was adjourned at 7:22PM.

Approved and signed this 11th day of December 2023 by the **PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** and **PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL**.

KENNETH BOSWELL

CHARLES MELLON

JEFFREY RICHWINE

MAURICE LOEHMER

BRADLEY BONNELL

MICHAEL MCCLURE

SHEILA HAZEMI-JIMENEZ

JERRY LOCKE

-----~~ABSENT~~-----
MIKE TIEDE

-----~~ABSENT~~-----
TIM OVERMYER

ATTEST: _____
LAURA WHEELER, AUDITOR, PULASKI COUNTY, IN