
Gibson County Board of Commissioners Regular Session August 2, 2022

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on August 2, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. at the North Annex Meeting Room.

Prayer was led by President Montgomery followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: President Kenneth Montgomery, Vice-President, Mary B. Key and Commissioner Warren Fleetwood

MINUTES: The minutes from the July 19, 2022, meeting were approved as presented. Commissioner Key motioned to approve minutes, seconded by Commissioner Fleetwood. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

CLAIMS:

\$427,418.32
\$353,800.91
\$155,881.31
\$146.19
\$3,901.97
\$28,584.43
\$962,018.37
\$83,405.94
\$7,563.06
\$131,600.49
\$12,008.16
\$28,704.5 1

Total Claims Presented on 8/2/2022

\$2,195,033.66

Commissioner Key motioned to approve claims presented for payment, seconded by Commissioner Fleetwood. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

Department Reports

Health Department Director Hornby gave her July reports to Commissioners. COVID infection is high in Gibson County again. COVID quarantine has not changed much, and those guidelines are available on the health department website. The symptoms for the new strain are flulike symptoms, some people have stomach issues with this strain, it is varied. Home tests can be picked up at the health department.

County Engineer Holden told Council that all paving is complete for 2022. They had an emergency repair on Seedtick Road (CR 250 S) in which they will seek State reimbursement. They will be buying some millings and they are still chip/sealing and replacing box culverts.

Deputy Bruce Vanoven told Commissioners the inmate population was at 106.

COMMISSIONERS OLD BUSINESS

<u>Jail Update</u> – George Ballard gave Commissioners a brief about the jail project and told them they are working on moving the 60X50 steel building. They have inmates working on this project to remove air conditioners, etc. They hope to get the pad poured very soon so the building can get moved. MCF will be there tomorrow to start loosening the nuts & bolts on the building. MCF could not get a contract to

Mr. Ballard before tonight's meeting. He will get that contract to Attorney Spindler as soon as he receives it. The Commissioners motioned to approve the contract contingent on Attorney Spindler's approval and to allow Mr. Ballard's signature on the contract. Commissioner Fleetwood made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Key. The vote was 3-0.

Mr. Ballard reported that they had received an A+ rating for the bonds.

Attorney Spindler explained at the last meeting, they reported that Requests for Proposals had been issued to the vendors expressing an interest to sell the bonds. There were two vendors that came back with very similar proposals and the Jail Committee chose Stifel as they were a bit more competitive.

Commissioner Montgomery motioned to approve this choice, seconded by Commissioner Key. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

Veteran's Food Bank – James Henagar thanked everyone for help on the food bank. They are trying to get the word out that they need to expand as the food bank and museum are outgrowing the current building. They are dispensing approximately 8,000 items per month to Veterans. They are trying to raise \$1.5 million to build a new warehouse.

Danco Construction Change Order - Attorney Spindler presented a change order for the Probation Building from Danco. He explained the amount approved at last meeting was inaccurate, and the accurate change order total is \$90,781.77. This number will likely be reduced, but he would like approval on the change order up to this amount.

Commissioner Fleetwood motioned to approve this change order, seconded by Commissioner Key. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

COMMISSIONERS NEW BUSINESS

CR 390 N Speed Limit between CR 550 E and CR 625 E (thru Wheeling) - Commissioner Montgomery wondered if this road could be posted at 30 miles per hour. Deputy Vanoven agreed this would be an appropriate speed limit.

Centerpoint Energy Easement at Hopkins Park- Attorney Spindler has spoken with Centerpoint and they intend to make a proposal to buy an easement to install an overhead transmission line in Hopkins Park. Right now, there is nothing more to do on this matter and drawings are forthcoming. Engineer Holden asked if this money would go to Hopkins Park. Commissioners agreed this money should go to the park.

Vice President

Adjournment - Commissioner Key motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Fleetwood. The vote to adjourn is 3-0.

Minutes from the August 2, 2022, Meeting.

Kenneth Montgomery, President

Warren Fleetwood, Commissioner

J. Hike Watkins, Auditor KRISTY YORK, 15t Deputy