

The Board of Woodson County Commissioners met in a regular business session on August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023 with Chairman Wayne Faulkner, Vice-Chairman Jerry Sedlacek, County Attorney Zeldia Schlotterbeck and Certified County Clerk Tesla Bayles.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Sedlacek made the motion to approve the agenda. Faulkner seconded it; motion passed.

Sedlacek made the motion to approve the minutes from August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023. Faulkner seconded it; motion passed.

Joel Porter discussed a tract of land that is land locked located at 95<sup>th</sup> and Violet Rd. He stated in order for the land owner to sell it with a clean title there must be an easement. A survey must be done to get the easement at the cost of the property owners.

Sedlacek stated to Road and Bridge Supervisor Timothy Dimick that moving the shop should be postponed for a minimum of one year. Dimick explained that moving items will not cost money. Building the office in the new building will need to be postponed. The lighting is finished but the heating is not. The heating will cost \$1,600 to \$1,700. Faulkner made the motion to allow Dimick to purchase five 12 3/4-inch pipe out of Special Bridge. Sedlacek seconded it, motion passed. The estimated cost on the bridge project located at 165<sup>th</sup> and Fox Rd is \$176,000 of that \$64,800 has already been paid. Sedlacek made the motion to sign supplement agreement #1 for project 104-C-5154-01 STP-C515(401). Faulkner seconded it; motion passed.

Sheriff Jeff McCullough presented weekly activity statistics. A discussion was held about the Sheriff's vehicle. McCullough stated he must drive his Sheriff vehicle to purchase commissary supplies. The purchasing of radios was discussed.

Treasurer Michelle Zimmerman presented the July monthly Department Reports. Faulkner made the motion to approve the July Monthly Department Reports. Sedlacek seconded it; motion passed. The bank must have the Payroll Budget for 2024 for ACH's/Direct Deposit. Faulkner made the motion to sign the report for 2024 for the bank. Sedlacek seconded it; motion passed. Sedlacek made the motion to sign the Idle Investment Funds for the second quarter. Faulkner seconded it; motion passed.

Faulkner made the motion to take a 5-minute break. Sedlacek seconded it; motion passed.

Chamber of Commerce Director Chari Bauman and Debra Mikulka came to the board to discuss Revitalize YC. Mikulka wrote the Heel Grant and the Seed Grant that contributed to fixing the sidewalk in front of Light Hardware. Antiques Boutiques & Sweets and Hardy's Fencing also benefited from the grant. Mikulka suggested taking action now to prepare for EMP Shield's Chip Plant that will be located in Burlington. Mikulka will be applying for housing and infrastructure grants to create housing for the plant's employees. Mikulka asked if a commissioner would be willing to be a member of the task force to make Woodson County's presence known to the Chip Plant. Sedlacek will participate in the task force. The City of Yates Center, Chamber of Commerce and Woodson County is on the task force.

John Atkins came to discuss the city dispatch contract. Atkins stated the city attorney is making a contract. McCullough stated the city is not paying enough to cover the benefits of even one dispatcher. It was discussed that the city has more calls and uses dispatch more than the county does. Sedlacek stated that the contract increased due to inflation. Atkins said that the City of Yates Center has been

quoted to move dispatch offsite for \$40,000. Atkins is not wanting to do that. Atkin stated he is good with the dollar amount in the contract now that he understands why the contract amount was increased.

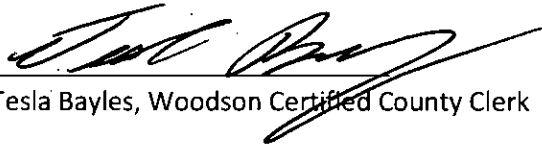
Faulkner motioned to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect employee confidentiality; to discuss employee performance for 10 minutes with the Commissioners and County Clerk to reconvene in the commission room at 11:07 a.m. Sedlacek seconded it; motion passed.

Faulkner made the motion to approve payroll dated August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 for \$152,041.08. Sedlacek seconded it; motion passed.

Faulkner made the motion to pay vouchers for \$17,67.19 Sedlack seconded it; motion passed.

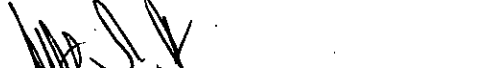
Faulkner made the motion to adjourn at 11:41 a.m. Sedlacek seconded it; motion passed.

Attest:

  
Tesla Bayles, Woodson Certified County Clerk

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Wayne Faulkner, Chairman

  
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Jerry Sedlacek, Vice-Chairman

  
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Justin Clark, Member