

March 9, 2023

MINUTES OF MARCH 9th MEETING

Commissioners were all present. Staff recited the pledge at 9:00. Purchase orders and bills were reviewed and signed. Pending issues were discussed with the following resolutions approved and signed:

- V109-227 Minutes of March 07, 2023:
1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call; Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
- V109-228 Enterprise Zone #100 Continue, complete Robinson Fin Machines, Inc, Ownership change for Stillwater
1st-Rush 2nd-Striker Roll call: Rush-yes, Crowe-abstain, Striker-yes
- V109-229 Enterprise Zone #118 continue, complete Ada Technologies
1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- V109-230 Transfer: February Ditch Reconciliation
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
- V109-231 Release of Funds: Public Assistance to Children's Services
1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- V109-232 Blanket Out of County Travel-Hardin Hills
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Crowe-yes
- V109-233 Reappoint Hog Creek Advisory Board: M. Gossman, D. Poling
1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call; Rush-yes, Crowe-yes, Striker-yes
- V109-234 Bills
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- V109-235 Reimbursement Annex Utilities-February
1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Crowe-yes
- V109-236 Payment of Bills Ditch Maintenance: The Inn at ONU
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes, Striker-yes
- V109-237 Paying CDBG Bills: Hohenbrink Excavating Kenton \$97,279.40
1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- V109-238 Payment of Bills CDBG Choice One Ridgeway
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call; Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- V109-239 Otis Elevator to put in Cellular Gateway \$8,493.97
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes

The area Superintendents met with the Commissioners to discuss communications. Also, present was Sheriff Everhart, Chief Deputy Burns, and Deputy Rich Williams. Jeff Price, Chad Thrush, Chris Pfister, Robin Van Buskirk and Craig Hurley. Chad Thrush-there are dead spots in the schools with communications. We have and are installing repeaters within the school. The quote was \$50,000 just for one building. We used two vendors with one being more responsive. (Benders) They now want \$1400, per district, and will apply toward the project if moved forward. Not all schools will need as many repeaters. \$50,000 per school district. Where do we get that kind of funding? When Kenton has their new school built; they don't need the repeater as it is built in. C. Pfister-exactly, Benders did our bus radio and is a good system. When built 8 years ago we spent time with contractors and laid out but was too expensive and wasn't included in the plan. Sheriff-all schools, issue is exactly the same. Repeater is now called a BDA-amplifier. Asking for existing buildings estimated at \$50,000 per building, a maximum of \$250,000. Commissioners will review the request to fund through **American Rescue Funds** as a county wide issue. Kenton will include in the new building and use state bid pricing. All five districts will submit the preliminary invoice for consideration.

Jacob Burgbacher, **EMA Director** noted the Annexes need updated for the following: Fire Fighting-\$2150, Law Enforcement-\$1750 and Health Care-\$2450. He has the money in his fund. He will have a contract drawn up. A grant is available for (HMPP) Resource Solutions for a Commodity Flow Study of all hazardous materials being transported thru the county. Cost for the reimbursement grant is \$7675. The grant is 80/20. LPEC does not have the cash

flow in their budget. He will consult with Ms. Hovest who would be the one doing the study of the timing. Grant is good for one year. He will work with LEPC Executive Committee for approval for either him to apply or LEPC. Eclipse funding is not on the states radar. Coming down to the local jurisdictions. April 27 is an eclipse meeting. He is bringing all representatives of the county together to discuss the funding.

Commissioners held a second interview for the position of Dog Warden. Commissioner Crowe moved to hire Jason Kearns as full time Dog Warden effective March 27, 2023. Pay is \$18.00 per hour with a potential \$0.50 increase after six month probationary period and a favorable evaluation. Commissioner Rush second. Roll call: Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Crowe-yes. **V109-240**

Roll call resulted as follows:

_____, YES/NO
President of the Board-Timothy L. Striker

_____, YES/NO
Roger E. Crowe

_____, YES/NO
Fred M. Rush

Attest _____
Clerk of the Board

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