

January 9, 2024

MINUTES OF JANUARY 9th MEETING

Commissioners were all present. Staff and Commissioner Candidate Joe Sherman 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:

- V111-49 Minutes of January 4, 2024:
1st-Striker 2nd-Rush Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- V111-50 Reduction of Appropriation: Veterans/donations
1st-Rush 2nd-Striker Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- V111-51 Transfer of Funds: Pike Repair to OPWC
1st-Striker 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes
- V111-52 Authority to Engineer to Advertise for Bid-Force Account
1st-Rush 2nd-Striker Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- V111-53 Release of Funds: JFS
1st-Striker 2nd-Rush Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
- V111-54 Out of County Blanket Travel-Auditor
1st-Rush 2nd-Striker Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- V111-55 Out of County Blanket Travel-Clerk of Courts
1st-Striker 2nd-Rush Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes
- V111-56 Hire at JFS K. Harris SSW II
1st-Rush 2nd-Striker Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
- V111-57 Unused Vacation Pay C. Smith JFS \$703.42
1st-Striker 2nd-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- V111-58 Additional Appropriation: Deputies Salaries
1st-Rush 2nd-Striker Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes

Richard Lawson, **Maintenance Supervisor**, reported the carpet is done at the North Annex. His part will soon be done. The internet and phones are left to be done. Cleaning should take place this week. Furniture arrives around the 22nd. He needs to gather all old phone equipment. A locksmith is being scheduled. Johnson Controls has made the changes as requested. Attic records for Domestic Relations and Prosecutor records were moved to storage. Waibels are in the building to work on third floor HVAC. Commissioners asked Richard to review the courthouse roof for consideration to replace later this year. The ventilation at the west annex men’s room is not adequate. With the wall repaired, he is finding the urinals are not fitting tightly. At 9:44 Commissioner Striker moved to enter **Executive Session** with Richard Lawson regarding personnel ORC 121.22(G)(1) present were the Clerk and newly hired Clerk Torrie Holcomb. Commissioner Rush second. Roll call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes, Striker-yes At 9:55 Commissioner Crowe announced the end of Executive Session. Commissioner Rush moved to increase J. Manns 3% to \$18.54 effective as 12/30/23. Commissioner Striker second. Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes. **V111-59** Commissioner Rush moved to terminate C. Varian, on probation, effective today 1/9/24. Commissioner Striker second. Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes. **V111-60** The Auditor agreed to temporarily manage workers Comp, Loss Control and any issues that result until a new hire is placed.

All **Commissioners** attended the Keep Hardin County Beautiful Luncheon at the Elks. Roll call resulted as follows:

_____, YES/NO
President of the Board-Roger E. Crowe

_____, YES/NO
Fred M. Rush

_____, YES/NO
Timothy L. Striker

Attest _____
Clerk of the Board