

September 10, 2024

MINUTES OF September 10th MEETING

All Commissioners were present. Staff and Commissioner Candidate Joe Sherman and write-in Candidate Michelle Laubis recited the pledge at 9:00. Purchase orders were reviewed and signed. Pending issues were discussed with the following resolutions approved and signed:

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| V112-171 | Minutes of September 5, 2024: | | | | |
| 1 st -Rush | 2 nd -Striker | Roll call: | Crowe-yes | Striker-yes | Rush-yes |
| V112-172 | Additional Appropriation -Health Dept. payroll | | | | |
| 1 st -Striker | 2 nd -Rush | Roll call: | Rush-yes | Striker-yes | Crowe-yes |
| V112-173 | Release of Funds expenses for P.S. and Children's Services J&FS | | | | |
| 1 st -Rush | 2 nd -Striker | Roll call: | Rush-yes | Striker-yes | Crowe-yes |
| V112-174 | Payment of Invoice from Ditch Maintenance for Right of Way Management Co. | | | | |
| 1 st -Striker | 2 nd -Rush | Roll call: | Striker-yes | Crowe-yes | Rush-yes |
| V112-175 | Reallocation Health Dept. Payroll | | | | |
| 1 st -Rush | 2 nd -Striker | Roll call: | Rush-yes | Striker-yes | Crowe-yes |
| V112-176 | Tax Levies and Certifying to the County Auditor | | | | |
| 1 st -Striker | 2 nd -Rush | Roll call: | Rush-yes | Striker-yes | Crowe-yes |

Signed Agreement: Purchase of the right to Operate Nursing Home Beds
1st-Rush 2nd- Striker Roll call: Striker -yes Crowe-yes Rush-yes

Allen County Commissioners Cory Noonan – Indigent defense pilot project (Regional) including Allen, Putnam, and Hardin Counties. A court Appointed Council and Public Defender with an Office in Allen County. Roger Crowe how will this be funded? Regionally the State picks it up and if not reimbursed at the rate %. Roger Crowe our Hardin County Prosecutor has proposed to contract with newly licensed attorneys. Noonan said, they would also provide Indigent Council with tuition pay down and be county employees (paid by the state) Only if the state buys in on the proposal. Roger Crowe would be interested in the cost as this moves forward and Allen County has the office space, no extra expenses needed there, would like to explore more. The Allen County Prosecutor and Judges are involved and will be speaking to Hardin County and Putnam County. Commissioner Cory Noonan will be traveling to Columbus and have more updates tomorrow.

Hamilton Combs (Rick) – Renewal of Life Insurance for 3 years from 2025-2027 at 0% rate increase, Minnesota Life. Basic Term and AD&D. offered to all employees 30 hours and more, no change to rates or coverage. Commissioner Rush moved to accept the rates and Commissioner Striker seconded the motion. Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes and Rush-yes. Dental is Delta Dental and Vision is Anthem Blue Vision Renewal January 1, 2026.

Dionne Staley and Amanda Poppe (Director of Nursing) from the Health Department requested ARF funds to pay for the new server \$10,689 and assist with the final payment of the Community Health Assessment (CHA) that totaled \$14,875. Fred Rush quickly calculated the remaining available funds, which is approximately \$20,000. Dionne was asked which was more important to have paid. She explained that both were paid, and this would be reimbursement. Roger explained that they need a signed agreement before this could happen, Dionne asked that the reimbursement on the CHA was more important.

Commissioners Rush and Crowe left at 11:45 to attend the Keep Hardin County Beautiful meeting luncheon held at the Elks at 12:00.

Jason Fleming with Garmann Miller and Noah Grayson with Damschroder Roofing, Inc. for a pre-construction meeting. Jason Fleming went through an outline of items that pertain to the project. Richard Lawson, Hardin County Maintenance Supervisor, will be the County point of contact. The roof color is white Duralast material and gutters are copper, everything should be run through Garmann Miller Jason Fleming or Chris Monnin. No start date at this time. The commissioners updated with November 11, 2024; Veteran's Day the Courthouse is closed. They also discussed Christmas lights and coordinating with Damschroder Roofing as well as the City of Kenton with construction. Noah Grayson asked for extra space for materials, he can use the terrace for light- weight materials. After the project begins meetings will be set up either on Tuesdays or Thursdays for updates on the work.

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 _____
Deputy Clerk of the Board