Ripley County Commissioners Meeting July 8, 2024

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Mark Horstman, President, Chris Schmaltz, Kendall Hankins, Danielle McGee, First Deputy, John Ertel, Attorney.

Maintenance – Craig Herbert

Mr. Herbert was in and stated that it cost \$1,632 to fix the chiller. This was approved by Commissioner Chris Schmaltz & Commissioner Mark Horstman via email.

Sheriff – Rob Bradley, 1st Deputy – Lee Davidson & Christopher Funderburk, Enterprise Fleet Management Mr. Funderburk from Enterprise was in to discuss the fleet plan contract.

Highway – Jason Edwards

Mr. Edwards stated that the chip-n-seal is close to being finished. Mr. Edwards stated that it would cost approximately \$6,000 to pour a concrete slab on Werner Road to help keep it from washing out. Mr. Edwards stated that the wheel loader is broke. Mr. Edwards has located a 2012 loader for \$44,500 from Dean Ford that they will look at. Mr. Edward stated that the 3-way stop sign has been posted at Millhousen and Brownstown Road.

Cheryl Welch & Judy Kappes – Daughters of American Revolution

Ms. Kappes would like to place a Revolutionary War marker on the courthouse lawn. The marker would be at no cost to the county.

Motion: Commissioner Hankins made the motion to place the Revolutionary War marker on the Northeast corner of the courthouse lawn. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kendall Hankins, **Seconded by** Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

EMA - James Coffey

Mr. Coffey was in to discuss who to assign to the ADA Coordinator role. The Commissioners stated that Mr. Coffey will cover the ADA Coordinator role at this time.

Mr. Coffey came in to discuss the vehicle he found that would be best suited for the needs of the EMA. The quote is from Hubler Ford Automotive for \$49,626 for a 2023 Ford Explorer Timberline. Mr. Coffey is going to reach back out to Hubler to remove the extended warranty in order to reduce the cost of the vehicle.

Motion: Commissioner Hankins made the motion to approve the purchase of the 2023 Ford Explorer Timberline and to have the check written before the July 22, 2024 check run., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kendall Hankins, **Seconded by** Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Schmaltz made the motion to approve the June 21, 2024 meeting minutes, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Chris Schmaltz, **Seconded by** Kendall Hankins. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Schmaltz made the motion to approve the June 26, 2024 Executive Session meeting minutes, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Chris Schmaltz, **Seconded by** Kendall Hankins. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Schmaltz made the motion to approve the claims and payroll, **Moved by** Chris Schmaltz, **Seconded by** Kendall Hankins. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Hankins made the motion to adjourn, Action: Adjourn, Moved by Kendall Hankins, Seconded by Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Horstman made the motion to reopen the meeting, **Action:** Reopen, **Moved by** Mark Horstman, **Seconded by** Kendall Hankins. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Horstman discussed if any additional action needed to be taken regarding the June 26, 2024 Executive Session.

Motion: Commissioner Hankins made the motion that no additional action needs to be taken regarding the June 26, 2024 Executive Session, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kendall Hankins, **Seconded by** Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Hankins made the motion to adjourn, Action: Adjourn, Moved by Kendall Hankins, Seconded by Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

Mark Horstman, President

Kendall Hankins

Amy R Copeland-Ripley County Auditor