# Ripley County Commissioners Meeting March 08, 2021

# Pledge of Allegiance

**Roll Call:** Mark Horstman, President, Chris Schmaltz, Kendall Hankins, Amy Copeland, Auditor & John Ertel, County Attorney.

# Humane Society - Robert Luken & Janet Duval & Dog Warden - Perry Hardy

Mr. Luken came to the commissioner meeting to give an update on the Humane Society. Ms. Duval took questions about the Humane Society and answered them. Mr. Hardy came in to give an update on the dog warden office.

# Technology - Becky Cairns

Ms. Cairns was in about the county email and the cost of the email.

**Motion:** Commissioner Schmaltz made the motion to transfer money out of county general contractual services to technology email, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Chris Schmaltz, **Seconded by** Kendall Hankins. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Cairns asked about a technology committee. This question was asked due to the extension office needing a new telephone system. The commissioners stated that they do not want a technology committee. Ms. Cairns also gave an update on the online auction.

# Maintenance - Craig Herbert

Mr. Herbert came in about getting rid of old monitors and laptops. The county wanted to take it to the recycle plant but they are charging to take the monitors and laptops.

Mr. Herbert has a grass sweeper that needs to be sold, they told him he could sell it on the county auction.

## Highway - Ray Toops

Mr. Toops passed out packets to each commissioner. It contained a work plan, a plan for the gravel roads, & what funds are left in their accounts. Mr. Toops also brought in a tractor quote from Zimmerman and a tractor quote for a larger tractor. Commissioner Hankins talked to Mr. Toops about his grader drivers with the report he generated.

(Break till after USI & Versailles Main Street for recording purposes)

Mr. Toops stated that he gave a listing of the tank log for fuel.

Mr. Toops asked about the foreman position and when interviews could take place. Mr. Toops is going to call the 4 individuals to see if they are available on March 11, 2021 or March 16, 2021 at 6 o'clock.

Commissioner Hankins stated for the superintendent and the 3 foremen's to turn in a cell phone bill every month with the cost of \$45.00 each month for each person.

## USI - Shari Hinds & Mike Obergsell

Ms. Hinds came in to introduce herself and Mr. Obergsell, one of the owners of USI. They gave an update on USI and the bridge updates.

### Versailles Main Street - Roxanne Meyer

Ms. Meyer was in to ask if Versailles Main Street could put 4 electrical outlets behind the benches on Tyson Street.

**Motion:** Commissioner Hankins moved to accept the appendix drawn by the Versailles Main Street to put 4 electrical outlets, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Kendall Hankins, **Seconded by** Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

**Motion:** Commissioner Schmaltz made the motion to approve the February 22, 2021 minutes, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Chris Schmaltz, **Seconded by** Kendall Hankins. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Hankins made the motion to approve the amended minutes from January 25, 2021, Action: Approve, Moved by Kendall Hankins, Seconded by Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

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

**Motion:** Commissioner Hankins made the motion pay the Ripley County Humane Society half of the \$7,000.00 now and the other half in 6 months after review of the facility, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kendall Hankins, **Seconded by** Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Discussion:

Commissioners discussed the health department appointments. The commissioners want me to ask Lexi Bushhorn if the all the members attended the Health Board meetings.

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

Mark Horstman, President

Chris Schmaltz

Kendall Hankins

Amy R Copeland-Ripley County Auditor