

March 28, 2023, Chairman Stan McEvoy opened the regular meeting of the Decatur County Commission at 9:00 am with the flag salute on the second floor of the Courthouse with members Karen Larson and Brad Marcuson. Also, present was County Clerk Nora Urban, Attorney Steve Hirsch and Oberlin Herald reporter Destry Jackson.

9:00 Ernie Sheets, Road & Bridge said he called Commissioner Stan McEvoy to get approval for an AC compressor at \$1032.90. Commissioner Brad Marcuson moved to ratify the purchase. Commissioner Karen Larson gave the second. Stan called for the vote and the motion carried. He then said he had also called him for approval on some tubes. He said he needed a 4-foot tube to go out by Lippelman's and a 6-foot tube out by Scott's. He said he had prices between \$9018 and \$8130 for the combined order. The low bid would be Welbourn. He then said the deck is poured for the state bridge project and should be done in about 3 weeks. He said if they can get this done, they can take it off the state list and will get \$50,000 back. Ernie said he had the state allocation for the state exchange rate. Karen moved to ratify the tube purchase. Brad gave the second. Stan called for the vote and the motion carried. He then said they are just working on maintenance now and lining up spring projects such as elevating some roads and additional bridge projects. Last he said the items on Gavel have just a little bit of time left before closing. These were discussed and no action was taken.

Nora Urban, County Clerk said she had resolutions from Steve Hirsch for the commissioners to review, pine needles and the EMS rates. She also had the contract for the fireworks, which Steve had already reviewed and approved. The commissioners requested that Ernie come back to review the pine needle resolution. He read through it and agreed this would be okay. Stan moved to approve resolution 2023-11 prohibiting pine needles from the compost site. Karen gave the second. Stan called for the vote and the motion carried.

9:25 Gaylen Huntley, EMS came to see the commissioners and they had him review the resolution amending the wording on the EMS rates. He agreed this would work. Brad moved to approve resolution 2023-12 amending the wording to the previous resolution. Karen gave the second. Stan called for the vote and the motion carried. He then said he had bids for the roof at the EMS barn. Bids were \$14,400 and \$19,800. He said they also have the money from the insurance check and a balance with insurance of \$8,900 when work is completed. Gaylen said currently the reserve fund is empty but he should have an EOY transfer from 2022. Karen moved to repair the south side of the roof now. Brad gave the second. Stan called for the vote and the motion carried. They will wait on the other side until the transfers are approved. He then had the agreement for the set off program. Commissioners agreed that Steve should review this first. Gaylen said 5 people have responded to the initial letters and paid the discounted amounts. Daycare repairs are being done and they have run into some additional issues with electrical work. They would like to apply for a grant for this work. Next, he said they have been working on a rough draft for the state for their online class. Once it is done, they will share it with the commissioners. They are in the process of relicensing the EMS service now, this is done annually. Steve reviewed and approved the set off agreement. Brad moved to allow Stan to sign the agreement. Karen gave the second. Stan called for the vote and the motion carried.

Karen moved to approve the fireworks contract. Brad gave the second. Stan called for the vote and the motion carried.

Commissioners reviewed correspondence and signed prepaids.

Brad moved to approve the 3/21/23 minutes with no corrections or additions. Karen gave the second. Stan called for the vote and the motion carried.

Nora continued with information regarding the spas for the Good Sam that he had previously mentioned were needing replaced. The commissioners agreed we need to have more than one bid and also asked Nora to remind them that their annual budget is \$45,000.

10:00 Troy Haas, Sheriff came down and wanted to verify use of the general funds to purchase replacement vehicle with the intent to reimburse it with the EOY transfer as well as other funds once approved. Commissioners agreed this should be fine.

10:30 Stan adjourned the meeting.

MINUTES APPROVED: Stan, Mark, ZZ

ATTEST: Nora Urban, County Clerk DATE: 4/4/23