

March 21, 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 earlier needing approval to purchase a couple of tires. He had pricing from \$1900/each to \$2760. The low bid was Garret Tire, and he prefers them as they have the same tread as their others. He ordered two as they had used the last of their spare tires.

Next, he said the bridge project is coming along and he is waiting on pricing for a 4-foot tube.

They are putting together a list of projects for this summer and will have plenty to do.

Ernie then asked the commissioners about doing a resolution as they are having an issue with someone bringing loads of pine needles to the compost and they are not to be dropped there instead they need to go to the tree pile. Commissioners said they would visit with Attorney Steve Hirsch regarding this.

Last, Stan moved to ratify the tire purchase. Commissioner Brad Marcuson gave the second. Stan called for the vote and the motion carried.

Commissioners briefly discussed the resolution for EMS regarding the no transport charges, however decided they would table that for later.

Commissioner Karen Larson said that during the hospital meeting it was mentioned that the ER doors are locked after hours and it is best practice if people would phone ahead if they are coming in so they can be prepared.

Commissioners reviewed correspondence and signed prepaids.

Nora Urban, County Clerk said she would be leaving at 10:30 for an appointment and that Deputy Megan Stallman would come in to continue with the meeting.

She then said she had an email from Halley Roberson at the City regarding the book club.

Commissioners said they have not had time to get through the book and would discuss it then.

Steve arrived and the commissioners asked about the pine needles; he said he would do a resolution.

9:30 Marilyn Mack, Dispatch came to visit with the commissioners and requested a 15-minute executive session for non-elected personnel.

9:34 Karen moved for the session. Brad gave the second. Stan called for the vote and the motion carried. Those present were the three commissioners, Nora and Marilyn.

9:49 No action was taken.

Marilyn continued that they are still working on the CAD updating.

Karen moved to approve the 3/14/23 minutes as corrected with no additions. Brad gave the second. Stan called for the vote and the motion carried.

Karen said she attended the hospital meeting however would do her report when she had the financials.

