

FAYETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting –November 19, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED:

That the Fayette County Commissioners of Fayette County, State of Indiana, met in regular scheduled session on the above date at 2:00 P.M. with the following present: Commissioners Dale Strong, Dale Munson, and Tracie Bever, and Auditor Jane Downard and County Attorney Geoff Wesling of said County and State.

Commissioner Strong called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Munson moved to approve the minutes of November 6th regular meeting and the November 13th special session, Commissioner Bever seconded the motion, motion carried 3-0.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Wade Walling said the tower at the Animal Shelter needs serviced, but the owner of the tower will not allow them on the property to make any repairs. He is getting a copy of the contract to see what it says and should have it by the end of this week. He said there needs to be a conversation about this issue going forward because we can't have equipment on a tower we can't access.

Wade said he had heard from FEMA regarding the BRIC Grant for the weather station at the Animal Shelter and they said we need an archeological survey done before they can proceed with the grant application. Dick Robertson said they are not cheap, but if Wade would give him the information he could get the county a price for it. Commissioners agreed to have Wade pursue getting an estimate of cost for the survey.

Wade said he got prices for AEDS to put them in every building. If we go with refurbished AEDS, they are still certified but it would still cost roughly \$11,000. If we just replace the pads and the batteries in the existing AEDS, it would cost \$5,070. Commissioner Munson recommended we upgrade to what would match the ambulance units. Commissioner Munson moved to approve updating to up to ten refurbished AED units provided we have the funding, Commissioner Bever seconded the motion, motion carried 3-0.

COUNTY ATTORNEY:

Geoff Wesling did not have anything for commissioners at this time.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE:

There were no Council members present.

MAIL:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Stephanie McCurdy presented the 2025 contract between the county and Purdue University for extension services. For 2025, the cost would be \$51,940. Last year was a successful year. They had 450 4-H members participate in the fair. She presented over 70 programs last year, and Heather had presented over 50. Commissioner Bever moved to approve the contract as presented, Commissioner Munson seconded the motion, motion carried 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bridge 75 has been backfilled and the concrete has been poured and is curing. They hope to be able to cut the approach the first of next week and have the bridge opened by the end of the month.

Commissioner Strong received a quote from Chad Friend on replacing the water line at the Women's Facility. They have received three quotes so far. Commissioner Munson moved to recess for five minutes so he can attempt to contact a vendor, Commissioner Bever seconded the

motion, motion carried 3-0. Meeting was recessed at 2:28 p.m. Meeting was reconvened at 2:45 p.m. The vendor was unavailable. Commissioner Munson moved to go with Friendly Contracting, who has submitted the lowest bid, Commissioner Bever seconded the motion, motion carried 3-0.

PATRON CONCERNS:

An Indiana Farm Bureau representative shared a pamphlet with 2025 Legislative Priorities.

PAYROLL AND CLAIMS:

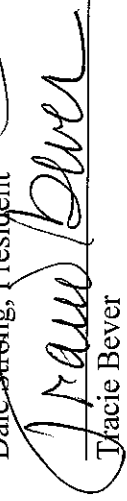
Commissioner Munson moved to approve claims and payroll as presented, seconded by Commissioner Bever, motion carried 3-0. Commissioners then signed all paperwork on camera.

ADJOURNMENT:

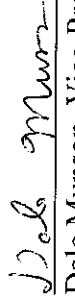
Commissioner Munson moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Bever, motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.



Dale Strong, President



Tracie Bever



Dale Munson, Vice-President



Attest: Jane Downard, Auditor