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Minutes of the Daviess County Commission

August 24, 2022

The Honorable Daviess County Commission met this 24th day of August 2022 at 8:00 a.m. Jim Ruse, Presiding Commissioner, called the meeting to order. Wayne Uthe, 2nd District Commissioner was present. David Cox, 1st District Commissioner was absent. The Commission approved the Minutes from last week.

James Lewis, Road & Bridge Supervisor, met with the Commission to update them on ongoing projects.

The crew completed a tube project in Jamesport Township. They sprayed in Benton township. They plan to haul rip rap this week and get more tubes ordered.

A concerned citizen called about the conditions of Lilac Ave to 255th Street in Grand River. The Commission advised them to call the township Trustee.

Larry Adams Jr., Sheriff updated the Commission on a contract between the Sheriff’s office and the City of Gallatin. A contract is in discussion between the City and the Sheriff’s department

Leigh Mitchell, Core of Engineering called to discuss the progress of Magill bridge, which was damaged by a storm in 2019. The river has moved in that area. The commission has requested funds for an unfunded project. Leigh Mitchell said he will continue to move the project forward but at this time he is unsure how the request will develop.

Craig Lambert, Grand River Township visited with the Commission to see if Harbor Ave in Grand River has been closed in section 33. It was determined that the road is still open.

Jenni Pankau, Daviess County Care Center and Rehab called to get an update on getting the van licensed and the possible water leak on the property. The Commission informed Jenni the county will put a county license plate on the van and also apply for disabled stickers to place on the plates. The Commission called the city to confirm where the leak is coming from. The Commission will look in the basement to determine if the leak is coming from the basement. Jenni informed the Commission that two people have been in to measure but she has not received a bid from either one yet.

Terry Lockhart and David Avery, Windstream met with the Commission to discuss Missouri’s Broadband Grant Program. Windstream is applying for the State ARPA funds to update their broadband and expand. Windstream plan to replace copper lines with fiber lines to expand their fiber network. Windstream has purchased its own equipment and plan to do all the work in-house. This will create local jobs. Windstream needs the Commission to write up a permission letter that Windstream can submit with its application to the State.

George Frank, Harrison Township requested an extension on cutting his brush after receiving a brush letter. The Commission granted him an extension and appreciated that he is actively working on trimming his brush.

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Vinzent Cooper, a Daviess County resident called the Commission to request the County to declare an emergency against invasion. The Commission told Vinzent they are sympathetic to his cause, but the Commission does not have the authority to declare such an emergency.

In the Afternoon the Commissioners inspected roads, culverts, bridges, and brush in Jefferson Township.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

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