Minutes of the Daviess County Commission

December 6, 2023

The Honorable Daviess County Commission met on this 6th day of December 2023 at 8:00 a.m. Jim Ruse, Presiding Commissioner called the meeting to order. David Cox, 1st District is present. Wayne Uthe, 2nd District is absent.

The Commission approved last week’s minutes, brush letters, and invoices for payment.

James Lewis, Road and Bridge Supervisor, updated the Commission on the projects they have worked on since last Wednesday. The crew welded guard rails on a bridge on Lilac Avenue in Grand River Township and a bridge on 232 Street in Washington Township. The crew looked at brush in Washington Township and a bridge on 190th Street and Vista Avenue in Sheridan Township.

The 2024 Holiday Schedule will be tabled until all Commissioners are present to approve.

Jason Smith, Coroner presented his Certification for training for 2023. This completes his training requirements.

The Commission discussed BRO 39 Progressive Invoice #9. David Cox made a motion to approve the invoice, Jim Ruse seconded. 2 – Aye, 0 – No. Motion passed.

Gary McFee, Howe Company stopped by to visit with the Commission. Gary stated everything is starting to move forward with BRO 39.

Elizabeth Plotner, Daviess County Library Director spoke to the Commission about the bidding process for landscapers and contractors. Jim said he would pass along his bidding templates.

Matthew Walker and Steve Whitaker from Hutchinson Engineering spoke to the Commission about their services. Hutchinson is a new to the area engineering company. No further action is needed at this time.

Representatives from RenDry, USA presented their products to the Commission. They offer a product that dries out wet basements. The Commission will discuss the possibility of purchasing this product during budget time. Issue continued.

The Commission and County employees met for the annual potluck Christmas Dinner.

In the afternoon the Commissioners had preliminary budget meetings with each of the Elected Officials. A second budget meeting will take place in the first part of January.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

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Presiding Commissioner 1st District Commissioner 2nd District Commissioner

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