

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
SPECIAL SESSION
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2023 12:00 P.M.
COMMISSIONERS ROOM

The Perry County Council met on the above date at 12:00 p.m. CST as was duly advertised. Council members in attendance were President David Etienne (DE), Earla Williams (EW), Keith Huck (KH), Stan Goffinet (SG), Kelli Harding (Kelli), and Auditor Kristinia Hammack.

County Council Members Absent: Paul Malone (PM) and Lynn Fulkerson (LF)

There was no County Attorney or *News Representative* present.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

Baker Tilly Contract

Comments:

Auditor, Kristinia Hammack presented the council with a contract and quote for services offered.

She is requesting the services of Baker Tilly as a consultant to help with the financial report, due to many errors from the conversion from the old program (Harris) to our new program (LOW). She explained that having them as a consultant will not only help make sure all the numbers are correct but will help her be more time efficient when working on the report. Also, discussed how other counties use Baker Tilly or other financial advisory firms annually as an extra set of eyes to compile their counties annual financial report. She has asked Baker Tilly to not just do the report for her, she would like them to in a since “hold her hand” this year and she will take detailed notes to assist her in future years.

KH asked if we could do just the financial report for now and re-address adding other services at another date. DE agreed, saying he could see this being something this year, but being used less and less each year.

SG expressed that he feels this is needed to help the Auditor, as this position is important to the Commissioners and the Council and make sure all reports and numbers are correct and is essential and critical, we get these numbers in the system.

Auditor, Kristinia Hammack and DE both agreed that this would be funded out of Cumulative Capital Development.

KH stated that we are just approving at this point and not deciding where funds were coming from at this time.

Kelli stated that she normally is not a fan of “motions of intent” but understands that time is of the essence, and this is a special circumstance.

SG mentioned the possibility of asking to use ARPA funds.

Kristinia informed the council that this is on the commissioner’s agenda for Mondays Meeting.

KH mad a motion of intent, Seconded by SG. Motion carried 5-0.

There being no further business to come before the council, Kelli made a motion to adjourn the meeting. EW seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0, with adjournment at 1:17 p.m. CST.

President, Perry County Council

*Minutes prepared by:
Kristinia L. Hammack, Perry County Auditor*