

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES – FEBRUARY 16, 2021**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00 a.m. via zoom as was duly advertised. Commissioners President Thomas J Hauser, Randy Kleaving and Gregg Jarboe were in attendance. Also in attendance were County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg and Sheriff Alan Malone. A media representative from the “Perry County News” did not attend the meeting.

PAYROLL CLAIMS

Randy made a motion to approve the payroll claim for pay that was issued February 12, 2021 in the amount of \$145,276.95. Gregg seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0. The Commissioners signed the claim docket.

MINUTES

Randy made a motion to approve the minutes of December 7th, December 15th, and December 28th, 2020 as they were written. Gregg seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

The Commissioners had an additional appropriation in front of them concerning the overtime pay for the Health Department. The additional was for \$9604.00 – Overtime Pay, \$735.00 – Social Security, and \$1076.00 – Retirement. These funds are from the extra of the CARES ACT that was transferred to County General at the end of 2020. This pays the overtime to January 30, 2021. Randy made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by Gregg. Motion carried 3-0.

TRANSFER

The Commissioners are transferring \$1500.00 from Social Security to Stipend account within the County General fund under the Commissioners budget. This is needed because when figuring the employees at budget time, there were two employees short on the number count. Randy made the motion to approve the transfer, seconded by Gregg. Motion carried 3-0.

COUNCIL WORK SESSION DISCUSSION

Randy asked Auditor Pam Goffinet on what did the Council mean from their work session on how they think there will be one-million-dollar cash balance at the end of this year. Pam explained that by doing the same this year as last by watching what is spent with budgets to the end of the year and additional from County General. This is how they are hoping to increase the cash balance at the beginning of the year. It helped for the January 1, 2021 balance to be higher. Randy commented that Health Insurance is helping out also by not asking for additional money for claims. Pam said yes that the insurance is funding itself.

MISCELLANEOUS

Steve Hauser, Emergency Management Director, presented the Commissioners with a Local Emergency Proclamation. This is to be put in place for weather conditions where the Highway Department is unable to remove all the ice and snow. This puts restrictions on certain levels. It encourages citizens to be aware of the conditions and not to travel unless necessary. Steve sent the proclamation to State.

Steve said this does not shut down the roads or businesses. The proclamation began at 3:00 p.m. on February 15, 2021. He needs for the Commissioners to reaffirm the decision and it will remain in effect until notified. Tom commented this was done because of ice from last week and the upcoming snow storm on Monday and another one at the end of the week. We also are to have very cold temperatures. Tom said that yesterday the State Highways were impassable and not better this morning. The gravel

roads will be a challenge. We need to keep this proclamation in place until the end of the week.

Steve Howell, Highway Superintendent, said the proclamation is a good idea. He said they couldn't get any rock at this time. First, they will get the black tops in decent shape then the gravel roads. He did say they had a Highway truck in the ditch on a gravel road at Adyeville. Steve said they cannot put salt on gravel roads. It will ruin them. He said they need to get sand on the roads for some traction. Also, the rock was frozen on the pile and they need dry rock to spread. Randy commented that we won't be out of this weather until the weekend. We can make the call on the proclamation on Saturday. Gregg thanked Steve for what they are doing. Randy said to be safe out there and Steve thanked the Commissioners for their concern.

Steve Hauser said the proclamation did a good job of informing emergency personnel and the Perry County Hospital.

Randy made the motion to keep the proclamation into effect until Saturday, February 20th, then go further if need to and will not lift it yet, seconded by Gregg. Motion carried 3-0.

Tom also gave an update on the animal shelter. He said he and Herbie Landers took a tour of the facility. They have been having talks with the company that is interested in operating the shelter. If they would take possession now, there would be funds available. Tom said they want to move forward and hopefully quickly to get someone in there. In addition to the current funds, the County has budgeted \$35,000.00 and the City of Tell City has also budgeted an amount. Tom said all assets go to the shelter as well. He knows it has taken time but we are getting close on this. Randy said he was impressed with everything for the potential of someone just taking it over. We don't have to start from scratch. Tom thanked the previous owners of the job they did and the time and effort that was put in. He said they did it for the right reasons and don't want to be recognized for it. They didn't leave the County high and dry on this matter.

Teresa announced the next Board of Commissioners meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 1, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Perry County Courthouse.

The meeting ended in open session at 8:25 a.m.

Minutes approved this 5th day of April, 2021.

Thomas J Hauser
President

Randy Kleaving

Gregg Jarboe

*Minutes prepared by:
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