

HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF JUNE 1, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of June 1, 2023 was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Robert Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Breshears, Commissioner Pearson, Circuit Clerk Cee Cee Smith, Carolyn Ream, Brian Bennett, Beverly Ryan, Becky Richards, Aleia Ream with The Index and County Clerk Tamara Weidman. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Breshears and a second by Commissioner Pearson the minutes of the Meeting of May 25, 2023 were approved as presented. 3-0 vote
2. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Breshears and a second by Commissioner Pearson the demand warrants and documents for payroll for the pay period ending May 27, 2023 was approved and signed. 3-0 vote
3. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file liquor licenses for Pomme de Terre Shrine Club, Triangle Quick Stop LLC and The Trading Post.
4. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file Prosecuting Attorney Daniel Dysart's report of monthly fees collected for May 2023 in the amount of \$575.
5. Public Comments:
 - Becky Richards requested the Commission dissolve the 911 Advisory Board since they haven't met since January. She will turn all the minutes in to the County Clerk. Presiding Commissioner Sawyer explained this needs to be an agenda item, so it will be placed on the agenda for Monday's meeting.
 - Carolyn Ream stated MoDot's culvert replacement on State Highway 64, South of J in Pittsburg needs to be repaired. There have been some citizen complaints as well.
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Pearson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 a.m. and Commissioner Breshears seconded the motion. 3-0 vote



Tamara Weidman

HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF JUNE 5, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of June 5, 2023 was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Robert Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Breshears, Commissioner Pearson, Beverly Ryan, Brenda Vaughan, Bill Copeland, Sue Dorman, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Tim & Lily Brenner and County Clerk Tamara Weidman. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Commissioner Breshears the minutes of the Meeting of June 1, 2023 were approved as presented. 3-0 vote
2. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file County Clerk Tamara Weidman's report of monthly fees collected for the month of May 2023 in the amount of \$15,344.22.
3. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file a liquor license for Nemo Lanes.
4. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Commissioner Breshears the 911 Advisory Board was dissolved. 3-0 vote
5. Public Comments: None
6. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission:
 - A citizen reported the speed limit sign is missing on the South end of County Road 189.
 - The Commission received 2 ARPA fund applications from HCFR and Pittsburg Fire Department. The Clerk will send the applications to Paula Shepard for review.
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Pearson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:21 a.m. and Commissioner Breshears seconded the motion. 3-0 vote



Tamara Weidman

HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF JUNE 8, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of June 8, 2023 was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Robert Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Breshears, Commissioner Pearson, Sue Dorman, Becky Richards, Shannon Stewart, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Tim Brenner and County Clerk Tamara Weidman. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Commissioner Breshears the minutes of the Meeting of June 5, 2023 were approved as presented. 3-0 vote
2. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Breshears and a second by Commissioner Pearson the demand warrants and documents for accounts payable for the beginning of June 2023 was approved and signed. 3-0 vote
3. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file Sheriff Greg Burke's report of monthly fees collected for the month of may 2023 for CCW's in the amount of \$306, for Civil Service revenues in the amount of \$830, and General Revenue fees in the amount of \$1,357.58.
4. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file Assessor Clint Baker's report of monthly fees collected for the month of May 2023 in the amount of \$245.
5. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file Recorder Pam Hutton's report of monthly fees collected for the month of May 2023 in the amount of \$8,595.
6. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file Circuit Clerk Cee Cee Smith's report of monthly fees collected for the month of May 2023 in the amount of \$4,750.80.
7. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file the County financial statements for May 2023.
8. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Commissioner Breshears the Clerk will begin the process on request for proposals (RFQ's) for an addition to the North side of the Courthouse.
9. Public Comments: None
10. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission:
 - Presiding Commissioner Sawyer is to meet with Liberty Utilities so they can install a separate meter for the tower at the old Dollar General building.
 - Shannon Stewart reported she submitted a Federal Home Loan Bank Program grant last week for Hermitage Housing Development. She reported that Prairie Chapel is closer to finalizing the grant they received. She is working with the Sheriff's department on a new Roadway Coalition Safety grant and will work with them on the bullet proof vest grant that is due soon.
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Pearson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:27 and Commissioner Breshears seconded the motion. 3-0 vote



Jamara Weidman

HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF JUNE 12, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of June 12, 2023 was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Robert Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Breshears, Commissioner Pearson, Sue Dorman, Mike Wood, James Mackie, Kenneth Rife, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Circuit Clerk Cee Cee Smith and County Clerk Tamara Weidman. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Breshears and a second by Commissioner Pearson the minutes of the Meeting of June 8, 2023 were approved as presented. 3-0 vote
2. Jim Patterson, Stacy Hartman, and Jason Nicolay with Fastwyre Broadband internet joined the Commission meeting by telephone to discuss a proposal to expand to the Quincy, Avery and White Cloud areas to service 247 addresses. They would like to place computers and equipment in either the Quincy Community Building or the Quincy Post Office for the Community to have access to high-speed internet. A letter of support from the Commission will be prepared for the Grant application.
3. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Commissioner Breshears the additions and abatements for May 2023 in the amounts of \$17,966.41 and \$6,743.55 respectively was approved and signed. 3-0 vote
4. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file a liquor license for G&W 2, LLC.
5. Public Comments: None
6. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission: None
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Pearson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:33 a.m. and Commissioner Breshears seconded the motion. 3-0 vote



HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF JUNE 15, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of June 15, 2023 was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Robert Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Pearson, Sue Dorman, Becky Richards, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Circuit Clerk Cee Cee Smith and County Clerk Tamara Weidman. Commissioner Breshears was absent. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer the minutes of the Meeting of June 12, 2023 were approved as presented. 2-0 vote
2. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer the demand warrants and documents for payroll for the pay period ending June 10, 2023 was approved and signed. 2-0 vote
3. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer, Brenda Charles was appointed to the Library Board of Trustees for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2023 and ending on June 30, 2027. 2-0 vote
4. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file a liquor license for Galmey VFW Post 9638.
5. Jason Sivils and John Cahill with Great River Engineering informed the Commission that an application for BRO funding to replace Rough Hollow Bridge was submitted for this round of funding. It will be August or September before they know whether the bridge was approved or not. Mr. Cahill provided an estimated cost sheet as well as drawn plans for Rough Hollow Bridge replacement. John Cahill explained the Commission would need to approve and sign the paperwork needed to get started with the design of the Dorman Bridge replacement. MoDot should fund 81% with the County paying the other 19%. The County would pay around \$37,789.32 with the total cost of design being \$198,891.16. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer the paperwork was signed and completed. 2-0 vote
6. Commissioner Breshears was absent from the meeting so discussion on the Annex building will be moved to another meeting day.
7. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer the letter of support for the USDA Community Connect grant for Fastwyre Broadband was approved and signed. 2-0 vote
8. Warren Olinger did not come to the meeting.
9. Public Comments:
 - Becky Richards talked about the issue of MO Prime Beef Packers in Pleasant Hope discharging up to 350,000 gallons daily of treated waste water into the Pomme de Terre River as the company has applied for a permit with the Department of Natural Resources to do so. It has been on the local news stations and social media activity. A public hearing is supposed to take place but the Commission is unsure of the time and place.
10. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission:
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer to cancel the RFQ's on the building project until we can get further clarification from Veregy. 2-0 vote
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Pearson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:22 a.m. and Presiding Commissioner Sawyer seconded the motion. 2-0 vote


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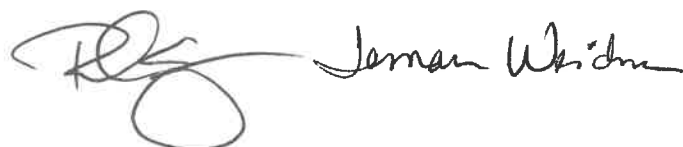
HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF JUNE 22, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of June 22, 2023 was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Robert Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Pearson, Sue Dorman, Becky Richards, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Circuit Clerk Cee Cee Smith, Keith Mertz, Laura Copeland, Carolyn Ream, Darla Mueller, Larry Senyard, Warren Olinger, Kenneth Rife, Brian Bennett, Aleia Ream with The Index and County Clerk Tamara Weidman. Commissioner Breshears was absent. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer the minutes of the Meeting of June 15, 2023 were approved as presented. 2-0 vote
2. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer the demand warrants and documents for accounts payable for the end of June 2023 was approved and signed. 2-0 vote
3. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file Public Administrator Venesa Prettyman's report of monthly fees collected for May 2023 in the amount of \$241.45.
4. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file a liquor license for Art Developer LLC (Golf Course).
5. Public Comments:
 - Kenneth Rife turned in an ARPA funds application for the Weaubleau Fire Department. The Clerk will send the application to Paula Shepard for review.
 - Keith Mertz asked if the Commission has had any involvement in the issue of MO Prime Beef packing business in Pleasant Hope dumping waste into the Pomme River. He feels it would affect our lake tourism. Presiding Commissioner Sawyer is to meet with Representative Stephens today about the issue. People need to reach out to the area Representative and Senator to express concern.
 - Warren Olinger joined the meeting on behalf of PWSD No. 2 with some updates for the Commission. They are extending water lines on CRD 258 and also at Sunset Strip on CRD 244. PWSD No. 2 also took over Pomme de Villa Subdivision. Over the last 12 months they have changed all meters to electronic which allows them to catch leaks quicker. Both wells have a self-start system. They purchased a 100-kW generator for the wells and installed transfer switches. They replaced old piping at the wells. They have 627 members in total. The Clerk asked for a list of the members to update Voter Registration.
6. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission:
 - Brian Bennett gave a radio communications update. Pittsburg is keeping their frequency so in order to have one on the Nemo repeater tower, they will need a new one. Nemo tower should be operational by the 2nd week of July. Several radios are on back order. There will be no Sheriffs Office frequencies on these radios.
 - Commissioner Pearson asked for an update on the storm siren grant. Carolyn said she has heard nothing from Kaysinger Basin on the matter.
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Pearson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m. and Presiding Commissioner Sawyer seconded the motion. 2-0 vote


Tamara Weidman

HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF JUNE 26, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of June 26, 2023 was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Robert Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Pearson, Commissioner Breshears, Sue Dorman, Randy Mabary, James Mackie, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Circuit Clerk Cee Cee Smith, Laura Copeland, Kenneth Rife, and Deputy County Clerk Tommy Holt. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer the minutes of the Meeting of June 22, 2023 were approved as presented. 3-0 vote
2. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file liquor licenses for Dollar General Stores in Weaubleau, Galmey, and Pittsburg.
3. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file liquor licenses for Casey's General Stores in Weaubleau, Hermitage, and Wheatland.
4. The Commission discussed the Annex Building. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and second by Commissioner Breshears to move forward with condemning and demolishing the Annex Building at the recommendation from the Great River Engineering report. 3-0 vote
5. Upon a motion by Commissioner Breshears and second by Commissioner Pearson to table and continue discussion in closed session Thursday June 29, 2023 the EMPG 2023/2024 Grant renewal for Emergency Management Director and Assistant Director. 3-0 vote
6. Public Comments:
 - Randy Mabary discussed the drought conditions in Hickory County and his concern with the upcoming Holiday Weekend (4th of July). Mr. Mabary asked about a ban on fireworks this year due to the increased fire hazard. Presiding Commissioner Sawyer suggested that our local fire chiefs post to social media and Aleia from The Index print warnings of the hazards of fireworks due to drought conditions in the newspaper.
7. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission:
 - James Mackie updated the Commission on back door of old Dollar General Building. The locking mechanism on back door was complete but there is no access through that door from exterior of building. The Commissioners all agreed that the door needed access from the exterior of building and requested James Mackie to key the door for that purpose.
 - Presiding Commissioner Sawyer talked about the park benches and bike racks stored in the old dollar general building that was purchased through the Sidewalk Grant last September. There are nine park benches remaining, three benches each to Hermitage, Wheatland and Weaubleau Schools. Four bike racks, one to each school in Hickory County. He would like to see these distributed as soon as possible.
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Pearson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:33 a.m. and Commissioner Breshears seconded the motion. 3-0 vote

 James Mackie

HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF JUNE 29, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of June 29, 2023 was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Robert Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Breshears, Sue Dorman, James Mackie, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Circuit Clerk Cee Cee Smith, Laura Copeland, Kenneth Rife, Becky Richards, Tim Brenner, Doug Lawrence, Carolyn Ream, Larry Senyard and County Clerk Tamara Weidman. Commissioner Pearson was absent. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Breshears and a second by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer the minutes of the Meeting of June 26, 2023 were approved as presented. 3-0 vote
2. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Breshears and a second by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer the demand warrants and documents for payroll for the pay period ending June 24, 2023 was approved and signed. 2-0 vote
3. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file liquor licenses for Bullseye Stores in Preston and Pittsburg.
4. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file liquor licenses for Pomme De Ritas LLC.
5. Public Comments:
 - Doug Lawrence asked if the Commission would agree to maintain Easy Street, a small road that comes off of RA in Pittsburg. Presiding Commissioner Sawyer explained that if the road is not on MoDOT's CART map, and the County has not maintained the road for more than 5 years, the County will not begin maintenance on the road. Mr. Lawrence then stated he would place a gate up on the road. The Commission suggested he not do that, as it is a public access road.
 - Carolyn talked about the current drought situation in Hickory County.
 - Larry Senyard with Urbana Fire Department submitted an ARPA application.
 - The John Deere 670 grader broke down yesterday and is parked on County Road 40 off Hwy VV in Cross Timbers.
6. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission:
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Breshears made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:16 a.m. and Presiding Commissioner Sawyer seconded the motion. 2-0 vote



Jamar Weidman