

HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 2, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of November 2, 2023 was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Pearson, Commissioner Breshears, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Sheriff Greg Burke, Larry & Linda Senyard, Aleia Ream with The Index and County Clerk Tamara Weidman. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Commissioner Breshears the minutes of the Meeting of October 30, 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 October 28, 2023 was approved and signed. 3-0 vote
3. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file County Clerk Tamara Weidman's report of monthly collection for October 2023 in the amount of \$11,854.29.
4. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file Prosecuting Attorney Daniel Dysart's report of monthly fees collected for October 2023 in the amount of \$250.
5. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file Assessor Clint Baker's report of monthly fees collected for October 2023 in the amount of \$675.
6. Public Comments: None
7. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission:
 - Presiding Commissioner Sawyer received a request for a speed limit on County Road 295, Lakeview Lodge Road. The Commission discussed a blanket speed limit throughout the County.
 - Presiding Commissioner Sawyer talked with Frank Aquino with Gallagher insurance about the health insurance renewal with the consortium. Presiding Commissioner Sawyer requested to see the by-laws before making a decision and has yet to receive them.
 - CCAM meeting is the week of Thanksgiving, November 18-21, so there will be no Commission meeting that week.
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Pearson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:37 a.m. and Commissioner Breshears seconded the motion. 3-0 vote

HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 6, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of November 6, 2023 was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Pearson, Commissioner Breshears, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Sheriff Greg Burke, Beverly Ryan, Sue Dorman, Bill Copeland, Jim Mackie, Sarah Newell & Miranda Spiegel with Polk County 911, John Cahill with Great River Engineering, Christian Farris with Viebrock Sales & Service and County Clerk Tamara Weidman. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Commissioner Breshears the minutes of the Meeting of November 2, 2023 were approved as presented. 3-0 vote
2. Sarah Newell and Miranda Spiegel with Polk County 911 provided an update on the 911 communications grant project. Beverly reported the text to 911 has not been working the last couple weeks and the landline phone calls are still not picking up physical addresses. Sarah explained the landlines are not working because the MSAG (tabular file/master street address guide) has not been built for the 911 system. She previously provided a list of landline phone numbers that need to be matched with a physical address. Sarah believed Ed with Mapping Solutions could help with this part of the project. The Clerk asked about 2 bills the County received from INdigital, one for \$25,458.89 for the regional network, 911 routing service, 911 ALI services and legacy network gateway ports and one for \$593.36 for the text to 911 services. The amount of the bills is determined by population of the County. Sarah informed the Commission of a grant that's available through the state for 911 equipment. Beverly is currently working with Shannon Stewart on applying for the grant.
3. John Cahill with Great River Engineering joined the meeting to inform the Commission and the Clerk the next step moving forward with the Rough Hollow Bridge project is to send out RFQ's. Once it is drawn up, send a copy to Julie Zibert with MoDOT and John Cahill for approval. He also talked about how the Dorman bridge project is progressing but rather slowly.
4. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file Recorder Pamela Hutton's report of monthly fees collected for October 2023 in the amount of \$6,908.
5. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file Circuit Clerk Cee Cee Smith's report of monthly fees collected for October 2023 in the amount of \$4,143.02.
6. Public Comments:
 - Presiding Commissioner Sawyer forwarded an email from RCS Communications with the Mule Shoe tower invoice attached for \$53,501.11.
7. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission:
 - A few culverts were delivered on Friday from Viebrock.
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Breshears made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 a.m. and Commissioner Pearson seconded the motion. 3-0 vote

HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 9, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of November 9, 2023 was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Pearson, Commissioner Breshears, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Sheriff Greg Burke, Sue Dorman, Mike Grisham, 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 November 6, 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 November 2023 was approved and signed. 3-0 vote
3. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Commissioner Breshears the additions and abatements for October 2023 in the amounts of \$69,900.66 and \$17,560.93 respectively was approved and signed. 3-0 vote
4. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file the County financial statements for October 2023.
5. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file Sheriff Greg Burke's report of fees collected for October 2023 for Civil revenues in the amount of \$1,000, for CCW revenues in the amount of \$624, for General revenues in the amount of \$854.72.
6. Health insurance discussion moved to next Thursday's meeting.
7. Public Comments:
 - Mike Grisham wanted to thank Commissioner Breshears and the road and bridge department for the work they have completed on the Southeast part of the County.
8. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission:
 - Sheriff Greg Burke mentioned a couple of grant opportunities that will be available next year.
 - Sales tax is up \$9800 for the year.
 - The Commission discussed the air conditioner repair on the Caterpillar road graders. Foley equipment has agreed to fix the issue at no charge to the County since it has been on ongoing issue from the beginning.
 - Ginnings Construction crew will begin the soffit and fascia work as well as install the Christmas lights on the courthouse beginning Monday.
 - The Commission and the County Road and Bridge department want to thank Clint with MoDOT for allowing the crew to use a digital sign for County Road 240 that will let residents know of the road closure.
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Pearson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:41 a.m. and Commissioner Breshears seconded the motion. 3-0 vote

HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 13, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of November 13, 2023 was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Pearson, Commissioner Breshears, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Jim Mackie, Sue Dorman, Bob & Kathy Leeper, Terry Randolph, and Deputy County Clerk Tommy Holt. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Breshears and a second by Commissioner Pearson the minutes of the Meeting of November 9, 2023 were approved as presented. 3-0 vote
2. The Commission reviewed, approved and signed Resolution #01-01-23 for membership to KBRPC.
3. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file Public Administrator Venesa Prettyman's report of monthly fees collected for October 2023 in the amount for \$145.50.
4. Public Comments:
 - Bob and Kathy Leeper and Terry Randolph stated the bad shape of the road leading into their subdivision Ski Harbor. Presiding Commissioner Sawyer stated road in question was actually Polk County maintained. Presiding Commissioner Sawyer contacted Polk County and in return Polk County stated that road in question was slated to be addressed Spring of 2024.
5. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission:
 - Presiding Commissioner Sawyer discussed Ginnings Construction would be working on Courthouse soffit, fascia and Christmas lights starting this afternoon November 13, 2023.
 - The Commission discussed leaf build up in the courthouse yard and that Tri-Lake Lawncare needs to be contacted to address this situation.
 - The Commission thanked all those involved in the Veteran's Day Service held on Friday November 10, 2023. All went well and many positive comments made from the general public.
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Breshears made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 a.m. and Commissioner Pearson seconded the motion. 3-0 vote



HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 16, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of November 16, 2023 was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Pearson, Commissioner Breshears, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Jim Mackie, Sue Dorman, Brian Bennett, Becky Richards, County Clerk Tamara Weidman. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Breshears and a second by Commissioner Pearson the minutes of the Meeting of November 13, 2023 were approved as presented. 3-0 vote
2. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Commissioner Breshears the demand warrants and documents for payroll for the pay period ending November 11, 2023 was approved and signed. 3-0 vote
3. Ellie Blankenship & Ryan Becker with Veregy attended the meeting to present preliminary drawings for expanding the Courthouse on the North side to the street. They explained the Commission can make notes and adjustments as needed. There was also discussion on expanding to the West of the Courthouse as well along with some changes to the Sheriff's office.
4. Frank Aquino is here today working on insurance renewals with County employees.
5. Brian Bennett joined the meeting to provide an update on radio communications for the Commission. This coming Monday, November 20th, RCS is planning to install the repeater at Highway 123 in Weaubleau. The mule shoe tower will be installed once the hole is dug for the tower. Brian has reached out to Missouri One Call but has had no response. The Commission talked about the need to heat and cool the buildings that house the repeaters and maybe a light source on the area. Brian said he plans to have the buildings insulated with spray foam. He felt a tower North of Wheatland was put in the original project estimate but Presiding Commissioner Sawyer explained the project is way over budget as it is and would rather get the project completed with what we have so far. Then, if there are issues after the completion, the Commission will review at that time. Also, at the completion of the project, Brian would like to sit down with the Commission to reconcile invoices. The goal is to have this project completed by the end of the year.
6. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Breshears and a second by Commissioner Pearson Commission Order No. 11-01-23 transferring \$15,000 from the Road and Bridge Fund (Fund No. 02) to General Revenue (Fund No. 01) for administrative services performed on behalf of the Road and Bridge department was approved and signed. 3-0 vote. This transfer was approved with the adoption of the 2023 budget document.
7. Public Comments:
 - Becky Richards asked what the Commission planned to do with the old Dollar General building. Presiding Commissioner Sawyer explained they would like to move Carolyn, the Emergency Management Director to the main courthouse once renovations are complete.
 - Susan McBrayer stopped by the meeting to ask what was going on at the Dorman Bridge. Presiding Commissioner Sawyer explained they are doing geological surveys.
 - Presiding Commissioner Sawyer was notified that both Pittsburg and Hermitage State Parks plan to install storm sirens.
8. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission:
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Pearson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:46 a.m. and Commissioner Breshears seconded the motion. 3-0 vote

Tamara Weidman

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HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 27, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of November 27, 2023 was called to order at 10:04 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Pearson, Commissioner Breshears, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Circuit Clerk Cee Cee Smith, Sheriff Greg Burke, Jim Mackie, Christian DeLozier and Logan Modlin with Mike Keith Insurances, and Deputy County Clerk Tommy Holt. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Commissioner Breshears the minutes of the Meeting of November 16, 2023 were approved as presented. 3-0 vote
2. The Commission met with Christian DeLozier and Logan Modlin with Mike Keiths Insurance. Mr. DeLozier explained that expected increase of 6 to 8% increase had jumped to 15 to 20% increase. Mike Keith Insurance negotiated with Star Insurance to a 10% increase. Mr. DeLozier presented a contract and invoice for 2024 in the amount of \$174,567.00. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Breshears and a second by Commissioner Pearson the Commission decided to renew with Star Insurance. 3-0 vote
3. Father Paul Jones did not attend the meeting.
4. The Commission reviewed and forwarded for file the employee leave summary report for November 2023.
5. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Commissioner Breshears Progress Invoice No. 4 for BRO-R043 (13) Dorman Bridge project in the amount of \$11,598.38 was approved and signed. 3-0 vote.
6. Public Comments:
 - Jennifer Coleman called Presiding Commissioner Sawyer to inform him the County's brush cutter threw a rock that hit and broke siding on the house. Presiding Commissioner Sawyer called Jennifer, apologized for the incident and stated to send the County the cost of repairs and they would reimburse the amount paid.
7. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission:
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Pearson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:47 a.m. and Commissioner Breshears seconded the motion. 3-0 vote


James W. Ward

HICKORY COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 30, 2023
MINUTES

1. The meeting of November 30, 2023 was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by Presiding Commissioner Sawyer. Present were, Commissioner Pearson, Commissioner Breshears, Treasurer Kenny Ratliff, Sue Dorman, Becky Richards and Deputy County Clerk Tommy Holt. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Breshears and a second by Commissioner Pearson the minutes of the Meeting of November 27, 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 end of November 2023 was approved and signed. 3-0 vote
3. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Pearson and a second by Commissioner Breshears the demand warrants and documents for payroll for the pay period ending November 25, 2023 was approved and signed. 3-0 vote
4. Public Comments:
 - Chief Brian Bennett stated new radios were all in. Each Fire Department will come to Commissioners office starting after Commissioners meeting on December 4, 2023 to turn in old radios for new ones.
5. Matters for discussion and/or consideration of the Commission:
 - The Commission discussed the need of a storage building or a Quonset building to store bulk salt for road and bridge department. Commissioner Pearson said he would look into prices and options.
 - With no other matters before the Commission, Commissioner Pearson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:26 a.m. and Commissioner Breshears seconded the motion. 3-0 vote


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