

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
December 13, 2022 - 10:00 A.M.
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203

The Franklin County Commissioners met in regular meeting on December 13, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners/Council Meeting Room. Commissioners present: Tom Linkel, Gerald Wendel, Tom Wilson and Karla Bauman, Auditor, present.

OPEN: The meeting was called to order and the pledge of allegiance was led by Tom Linkel.

Building Code & Unsafe Building Service Agreement: Grant Reeves, attorney reviewed both service agreements with Jacobi, Toombs & Lanz, Inc. with the commissioners. The first one is for preparing and updating the county's building code. Total costs for that service will not exceed \$5,000.00. The service agreement for Unsafe and unkempt property will not exceed \$3,000.00. **Tom Linkel made a motion to approve both contracts. The building code not to exceed \$5,000 and the Unsafe/unkempt ordinance not to exceed \$3,000, contingent upon funding, seconded by Tom Wilson. All in favor, motion carried.**

Grant Policy: Commissioners had Grant Reeves attorney review a draft of a grant policy that was requested by the Auditor's office. Mr. Reeves is still working out some of the technicalities. Amy Lindsey, EMA Director had concerns with having enough time prior to applying for a grant to get the commissioners and/or council's approval. Nanette Beres with the Health Department wanted to know if the health department's attorney, Gene Stewart had been provided a copy of the proposed grant policy. Auditor Bauman understood their concerns. She stated that when we were audited two years ago, SBOA requested a copy of our grant policy and we did not have one. We still do not have one. Most of the requirements stated in the policy are already required by both the Federal guidelines and SBOA. We just need it in writing so all department heads have a guideline they can follow and we are compliant with SBOA. Commissioners would like a liaison between commissioners, council and the person applying for the grant.

Travel Policy: Auditor Bauman had requested that Commissioners make some amendments to the County's travel policy due to some recent claims filed following conferences. She also recommended that the County issue Government ID's which should be used by employees, department heads and elected officials while traveling on county business. Commissioners stated they would like a standalone policy separate from the personnel handbook for travel. Tabled until next meeting.

Drusilla Masters Agreement: This agreement between the County and Drusilla Masters is for the storage of highway equipment on her lot. **Motion to approve the agreement with Drusilla Masters by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Public Transportation: In 2021, there were grants to purchase three vehicles for Franklin County Public Transportation for the monetary amount of \$73,021. The Grantor has withdrawn the grants and are rewriting a new grant contract to purchase the vehicles which will be given to Commissioners to sign. **Tom Wilson motioned to move forward with the new vehicle grant contract, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.**

GIS Clerk Contract: Motion to approve the GIS Clerk contract for the Assessor's in the amount of \$400.00 per month by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Change of Assets – Sheriff: Motion to approve the requests presented by Sheriff to transfer or scrap assets by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.

2023 Claims Schedule: Commissioners corrected the first claim payout to say 2023 instead of 2022 in January. Motion to approve the 2023 Claim Schedule by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Resolution 2022-43 – 2023 Payroll Schedule: Motion to approve Resolution 2022-43 for the 2023 Payroll Schedule by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.

Board Appointments: Tom Linkel motioned and Gerald Wendel seconded his motion to approve the following appointments for 2023. All in favor, motion carried.

Sam Wyatt	Veteran Service Coordinator
Bill Schirmer	Regional Economic Development Commission
Connie Wendel	Metamora Regional Sewer District
Jannett Baker	Metamora Regional Sewer District
Bill Schirmer	Economic Redevelopment Commission
John Palmer	Economic Redevelopment Commission
Greg Orschell	Local Economic Redevelopment Commission
Bob Braun	Franklin County Area Plan Commission
Bob Braun	Franklin County Board of Appeals
Catrina Campbell	FC Convention, Recreation and Visitor Commission
Beverly Spurlin	FC Convention, Recreation and Visitor Commission
Mike Lucas	Alcohol Beverage Commission
Carol Westerman	Franklin County Health Board

Treasurer's Monthly Report – Motion to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's monthly report for November, 2022 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.

Payroll and Payroll Deductions: Motion to approve the payroll and payroll deductions in the amount of \$200,934.79 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Meeting Minutes – November 22, 2022 & November 29, 2022: Motion to approve the November 22, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes and the November 29, 2022 Meeting Minutes by Gerald Wendel, seconded by Tom Wilson. Tom Linkel abstained from the 11-22-22 minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

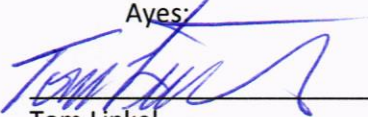
Larry Smith discussed the Community Crossing award the County received. He also gave an update on Snail Creek Bridge. There is also an issue with the sidewalk the Town of Brookville had installed at the entrance to the Franklin County Highway garage. Having trouble getting equipment out.

ADJOURN: Motion to appoint by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.


Others in attendance: Fayette Hay and Crystal McQueen, Bridget Hayes, Amy Lindsey, Jackie Wilhelm, Eugena Monroe, Larry Smith Derreck Towel, Grant Reeves and Nanette Beres.

Minutes approved December 20, 2022

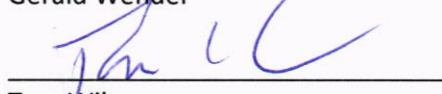
Ayes:



Tom Linkel



Gerald Wendel



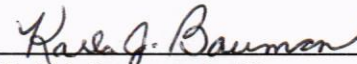
Tom Wilson

Nays:

Tom Linkel

Gerald Wendel

Tom Wilson

ATTESTED BY: 

Karla J. Bauman, Auditor