

February 26, 2019

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 26th MEETING

All Commissioners were present. Staff recited the pledge at 9:00. Purchase orders and bills were reviewed and signed. Pending issues were discussed with the following resolutions approved and signed:

V102-128 Minutes of February 21, 2019:
1st-Rogers 2nd-Striker Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-absent, Rogers-yes
V102-129 Engineer Force Account for 2019
1st-Striker 2nd-Rogers Roll call: Striker-yes, Rogers-yes, Crowe-yes
V102-130 Out of County Travel
1st-Rogers 2nd-Striker Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rogers-yes
V102-131 Indigent-February
1st-Striker 2nd-Rogers Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rogers-yes

The insurance clerk questioned when current employees who need health insurance after the open enrollment due to a qualifying event should start paying premiums. Commissioners response: When a part time employee goes full time and request health insurance they can pay up front for coverage to start with the next month or treat as a new employee to allow for the payroll deduction of premium for 30 days prior to coverage starting. (REVISED 2/28/2019)

At 9:15 Commissioner Striker moved to enter **Executive Session** regarding negotiations with Logan County. Commissioner Rogers second. Roll call: Striker-yes, Rogers-yes, Crowe-yes. At 9:28 Commissioner Crowe announced the end of Executive Session.

Sheriff Everhart, Chief Deputy Burns and Lacy Weihrauch met with the commissioners. Sheriff is moving forward with Spectrum for phone service. He will coordinate with the IT Coordinator. At 9:32 Commissioner Striker moved to enter Executive Session regarding labor negotiations. Commissioner Rogers second. Roll call: Striker-yes, Rogers-yes, Crowe-yes. At 9:38 Commissioner Crowe announced the end of Executive Session.

Nate Rodenberger, **IT Coordinator**, explained the irate phone calls he has had from employees who are now using their personal cell phones to make phone calls. Calls are not coming into the courthouse on **Windstream**. Will it be better if we have another carrier? He has not heard of complaints with Spectrum customers. Anyone that uses Windstream to call in may not be 100% corrected. Commissioners feel we have a responsibility to make sure we are not the problem. Nate is confident Windstream lines are the issue. The county cannot afford to stay with Windstream due to the continued issues. Employees cannot continue to do business this way. Issues started in November 2018 when Windstream turned a trunk off, which worked briefly. Issues have snowballed since then. 911 cards at the tower were changed and it is still working-it is on a different system. Nate has a binder with issues he has submitted to the Prosecutor with all background issues to date. Other area businesses are also having issues. Cost to get out of the contract? He can figure and review the termination clause. Time frame? 90 to 120 days to build fiber to courthouse. He will start the process. Nate will contact Spectrum to find out what all is needed to install fiber at the locations. Commissioners will discuss with the Prosecutor to start the process. Spectrum says the phones are compatible with their network and will be asked for a proposal.

Kyle Camper, **Dog Warden**, shared information on tags sold at the satellites. The local Humane Society offers a spay and neuter program and offered to do for every dog at the shelter. This would free up funds for other projects. He will move forward with using the local Humane Society to spay and neuter.

Commissioner Crowe moved to donate \$1000 towards the Health Dept. **Community Needs Assessment**. Funds to come from County General. Commissioner Striker second. Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rogers-yes, **V102-132**

Commissioner Rogers moved to approve the quote from 1879 Electric to place a **sump pump sensor** at the North Annex for \$388.80, to come from N03. Commissioner Striker second. Roll call: Rogers-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes. **V102-133**

Commissioner Rogers moved to approve the quote from **Jacobs Electric LLC** to install five outlets for the Clerk of Courts office. Includes all labor and material. To be taken from N02. Commissioner Striker second. Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rogers-yes. **V102-134**

Commissioner Rogers moved to approve the revised quote/proposal from **Friends Office** to purchase and install panels in the Deputy Clerk and Clerk’s office areas. Funds from Commissioners equipment A04. Commissioner Striker second. Roll call: Rogers-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes. **V102-135**

Roll call resulted as follows:

_____, YES/NO
President of the Board-Roger E. Crowe

_____, YES/NO
Randall S. Rogers

_____, YES/NO
Timothy L. Striker

Attest _____
Clerk of the Board