

June 18, 2020

MINUTES OF JUNE 18th MEETING

All Commissioners were present. Staff and Commissioner Candidate Fred Rush recited the pledge at 8:30. Purchase orders and bills were reviewed and signed. Pending issues were discussed with the following resolutions approved and signed:

V104-270 Minutes of June 16, 2020:
1st-Rogers 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rogers-yes, Striker-yes
V104-271 Bills
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rogers Roll call: Rogers-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
V104-272 Reallocation: Prosecutor Payroll
1st-Rogers 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rogers-yes
V104-273 Appoint Dr. Hui Shen to Board of DD 12/31/20
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rogers Roll call; Rogers-yes, Crowe-yes, Striker-yes
V104-274 Paying Bills Ditch Maintenance
1st-Rogers 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Striker-yes, Rogers-yes, Crowe-yes
V104-275 Advance of Funds \$26,260 Juvenile Court
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rogers Roll call: Rogers-yes, Crowe-yes, Striker-yes
V104-276 Additional Appropriation: Juvenile Court Grant
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rogers Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rogers-yes
Signed: JFS & Mediation Services Program with Juvenile Court 7/1/20-6/30/21, \$10,000
1st-Rogers 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rogers-yes

Commissioner Striker and Commissioner Candidate Fred Rush attended a Soil & Water meeting held at the North Annex.

Kyle Camper, **Dog Warden**, reported the fence has been installed and apparently is not high enough, a dog had been thrown over the 6' fence. Kyle will find a solution. No dogs in the kennel today. The 4 x 8 trailer has rotted. He hauls traps in the truck. The trailer is no long fit for use and will be disposed.

Mike Bacon, **Auditor**, concerns on how to handle Commissioners departments when there are issues. Should he go directly to the department or include the commissioners? Depending on the issue, he should inform the commissioners to determine who should address. OPERS retirees are an issue. Once you retire, you cannot go back to the same employer and work part time. Mike is seeing massive unemployment claims from one department. Look back is one year and can come back on the county. County does not pay unemployment insurance like private employers do, county pays as filed. In order to have health insurance the employee must work 30 hours per week. Departments should supply the number of hours employees' work, which would verify to the Payroll Clerk. Department head should be researching the county policy manual. Employees should not be using a county credit card and paying personally. This will be addressed.

Sharon Huston, **Hardin Hills** Administrator, she received a phone call from the Bridge Team yesterday. They are here to support. They will coordinate all nursing homes in the county to be COVID tested on the same day by the National Guard. The goal is to have all three tested by the end of next week. Staff only. Optional for residents if they have symptoms. Will disclose asymptomatic carriers. Mandatory for every employee and routing visitor to be tested. Otherwise they are not to be in the facility. They received a seven-day PPE supply from FEMA. Anyone can be tested with prior forms filed and sent to the National Guard. Sharon is the contact person and will be the only one to receive results. There will be no violation of HIPPA. Could be either nasal or throat test. 24 to 48 hours for results. Employees with insurance will be billed to CORSA. Who pays for the employee who does not have insurance? They don't know but hope the government sets up a fund. Sharon acknowledged she received a rate increase Dec. 21, 2019. She did not recall a copy of the resolution. Medicaid is working to get funds to nursing homes for PPE supplies. Census is at 68 today.

More people are staying home at this point. Their second nurse aide class is going well. JFS will be recruiting to train from the community. JFS will pay Hardin Hills \$500 each to train. Family visitation could resume mid-July only outside. Finances look good. Commissioner Striker discussed the use of the credit card by mistake, the employee did repay. It is a red flag for the auditor. Employees under 30 hours are not entitled to benefits: life or health. Sharon asked for a list of employees who get those benefits so she can monitor. She will include the number of hours employees worked during the pay period so a record can be made. Discussion on retirees returning to work. The employee and she should contact OPERS together to ask the questions.

Garmann Miller Architect Engineers: Bruce Miller, Jason Flemming, and Richard Lawson. Samples of windows were reviewed with selections made. Total estimate by Tuesday and then out for bid. Auditor’s Office is receptive with restoring the ceiling. In some rooms the duct work will be moved to the other side of the wall-away from the window side of the wall. Attic windows are original (1915) and will be replaced. Painting will be done in rooms where more work is done. This will be a lump sum bid. Coordination will be done with each office during construction. Bids should be ready next Thursday to post to receive electronically submitted bids.

A phone conference was held with Hancock County Commissioners regarding the **Stone Joint Ditch**. First resolution for Advance of Funds to General Fund \$2700 to spray ditch. 1st- Gazarak, 2nd- Crowe. Roll call: all yes. Second: authorize maintenance assessment of 11% recommendation by Hancock County Engineer. 1st- Striker to approve, 2nd- Bechtol. Roll call: all yes.

Roll call resulted as follows:

_____, YES/NO
President of the Board-Timothy L. Striker

_____, YES/NO
Roger E. Crowe

_____, YES/NO
Randall S. Rogers

Attest _____
Clerk of the Board