

DECEMBER 18, 2023

REGULAR SESSION

PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Pulaski County Commissioners met in regular session Monday December 18, 2023 8:30am at the Pulaski County Highway Department training room. Commissioners present were Charles Mellon, Maurice Loehmer, Michael McClure with County Auditor Laura Wheeler and County Attorney Kevin Tankersley.

Also present was Nathan Origer, Gary Kruger, Dr. Rex Allman, and Megan Galbreath.

President Mellon opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: CDC

Councilman Bradley Bonnell has asked to be removed from the Advisory Commission on Industrial Development and Commissioner; Michael McClure is willing to serve in the building-trades seat until an active member is found. Charles Mellon made a motion to rescind Councilman Bonnell's appointment, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously. Charles Mellon made a motion to appoint Commissioner McClure to a partial term ending in 2025, representing both the County and the building trades. Maurice Loehmer seconded the motion and motion carried unanimously.

An amended lease with Kyle Sommers for the temporary use of his offices by the Clerk's Office presented for review and approval. The monthly rent increases by \$340.00 to cover use and utilities on the west side of the building. Clerk's Office ended up requiring more space than originally anticipated. Maurice Loehmer made a motion to accept and sign the amended lease as presented, effective December 1, 2023. Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Crane & Grey's proposal for revamping "Pulaskionline.org" presented for review and approval. Crane & Grey now has an opening on their calendar in the first quarter of 2024 and has cut the project cost by \$5,000.00. Optional add-ons are available that are not necessary but are sufficiently valuable to justify including. Service should run around \$115.00 monthly, but could be less as Chamber of Commerce is going with their own website. Maurice Loehmer made a motion to accept Crane & Grey's proposal, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: HEALTH

Health Officer, School liaison, and County Nurse positions explained and discussed. Dr. Rex Allman plans to retire soon and is working with Dr. Tim Day to take over his position as Health Officer, hopefully by February 1, 2024.

IN RE: HIGHWAY

Bridge Inspection contract 2024 – 2027 with United Consulting presented for Commissioners' signatures.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve and sign claims and payroll #25, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve and sign December 4, 2023 regular session minutes as presented, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Maurice Loehmer motioned to approve the following bonds as presented:

**Faithful Performance Blanket Position Bond
SOIL & WATER: Autumn Knebel, \$15,000.00**

Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: DISCUSSION

Information Technology (IT) Administrator discussed briefly. Roeing is preparing a contract/agreement with the County that will include DeGroot Technology for on-site work. Roeing will have complete IT administration and will require that each department use the helpdesk platform, even for on-site support. Contract to include Cyber security training, 24-7 monitoring and response for malware/ransomware attacks, network security scans, firewall monitoring and updating, and patching of all Windows computers on a monthly basis. It will take 90 days for the transition and contract should be presented in January 2024.

EMA presented “Letter of Promulgation” for approval. This is an annual report that EMA has to file.

Purdue extension Contractual Services Agreement presented for approval and signatures. County agrees to pay Purdue Extension \$68,750.00 annually and Purdue Extension will provide Extension services, including 2.25 county educators. Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve and sign the agreement as presented, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

With no other business to discuss nor public comment, Maurice Loehmer made a motion to adjourn at 9:00am, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Approved and signed this 2nd day of January 2024 by the **PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.**

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CHARLES MELLON	MAURICE LOEHMER	MICHAEL MCCLURE

ATTEST: _____
MARY MAYS, 1st DEPUTY AUDITOR, PULASKI COUNTY, IN