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Presiding Commissioner

Scott Burnham
Easter District Commissioner

Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 4, 2023

In attendance were Acting Presiding Commissioner Ron Hook, Commissioner Scott Burnham, and Administrative Coordinator Amy Hesel

Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

Meeting Agenda

Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook made a motion to approve today's agenda. Commissioner Burnham seconded the motion.

Meeting Minutes

Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook made a motion to approve meeting minutes for Monday, October 2, 2023. Commissioner Burnham seconded the motion.

Business

Presiding Commissioner Scott Nelson was not present at the meeting.

Commissioners discussed a request to sponsor Downtown Holiday Experience. Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook made a motion to give \$2000 from gaming fund to sponsor, Commissioner Burnham seconded the motion.

Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook mentioned the Airshow will be in 2024 and they will be asking for \$20,000, it will need to be discussed at the budget meeting for Economic Development.

Court orders to transfer funds were presented and approved by Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook and Commissioner Burnham.

A court order to void an ACH was presented and approved by Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook and Commissioner Burnham.

A court order acknowledging receipt of the Salary Commission Report of Compensation and the minutes of the meeting on September 25, 2023, was presented, and approved by Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook and Commissioner Burnham.

A court order acknowledging receipt of the US Army Corps of Engineers, public notice for a project at Lake Contrary was presented and approved by Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook and Commissioner Burnham.

Human Resources Director Annette Lanham joined the meeting at 9:55 am to discuss application process on the website for individuals that want to apply and have an application on file when there is not a job opening. Commissioner Burnham and Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook asked that Road and Bridge Operator be available year around to apply. Annette left the meeting at 10:08 am.

At 10:08 am Mike McBride with Lake Contrary Sewer District joined the meeting to discuss additional water in pipes from Clarios and what the City of St. Joseph is doing, his concern is lead in the water. Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook let Mr. McBride know the city is testing the water and looking into the rates for that area. Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook will let Mr. McBride know the results when the testing is complete. Mr. McBride left the meeting at 10:35 am.

Purchasing Agent Kim Hartman joined the meeting at 10:25 am with Bills to be approved. Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook asked about a bid going out for weeds on Lake Contrary. Kim is waiting for the website to be updated so she can get the bid out on the website and the newspaper at the same time. Kim left the meeting at 10:48 am.

County Counsel Josh Bachman joined the meeting at 10:48 am. Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook made a motion to go into closed work session to work with County Counselor, Commissioner Burnham seconded the motion. Roll Call: Ron Hook-Aye, Scott Burnham-Aye. County Attorney Josh Bachman and Commissioner's worked through ongoing tasks. At 11:45 am Commissioner Burnham made the motion to back into open session. Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook seconded the motion. Roll Call: Scott Burnham-Aye, Ron Hook-Aye. Meeting is back into open session.

Adjourn

With no further official business on the agenda Commissioner Burnham made a motion to adjourn to any unofficial business that may develop during the day. Acting Presiding Commissioner Hook seconded the motion. All are in favor of adjourning. The meeting ended at 11:45 a.m.