



BUCHANAN COUNTY COMMISSION

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Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, October 16, 2024

In attendance were Commissioner Ron Hook, Presiding Commissioner Scott Nelson, Commissioner Scott Burnham, County Counselor Josh Bachman, Deborah Borchers and Latha Varghese with the Stuber Health Center and Purchasing Agent Kim Hartman.

Presiding Commissioner Nelson called the meeting to order at 9:05 am.

Meeting Agenda

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

Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Burnham made a motion to approve meeting minutes for Friday, October 11, 2024. Commissioner Hook seconded the motion.

Business

Deborah Borchers and Latha Varghese with the Stuber Health Center provided an update on the demographics and services being utilized at the health center. They also presented a budget request for a 6% increase. The Commissioner's will discuss the budget request and respond with their decision. Ms. Borchers and Ms. Varghese left the meeting at 9:35.

A court order to transfer funds for payroll was presented and approved by Commissioner Hook, Commissioner Burnham and Presiding Commissioner Nelson.

A court order to transfer funds to pay vendors was presented and approved by Commissioner Hook, Commissioner Burnham and Presiding Commissioner Nelson.

Court orders to abate taxes and transfer several properties to Ryan Pummell, Trustee were presented and approved by Commissioner Burnham, Commissioner Hook, and Presiding Commissioner Nelson.

A court order to void a Sheriff's Dept. check 13486 was presented and approved by Commissioner Burnham, Presiding Commissioner Nelson, and Commissioner Hook.

Commissioner Burnham left the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

Mayor John Josendale, Police Chief Paul Luster and Interim City Manager Clint Thompson joined the meeting at 10:30. The Commissioner's met with Mayor Josendale, Police Chief Luster and Interim City Manager Thompson to discuss possible expansion of the current Law Enforcement Center or construction of a new facility. All agreed that the capacity to house more juvenile offenders is a pressing issue. Sheriff Bill Puett arrived at 10:50 a.m. The current facility is nearing 40 years old and has issues with piping, HVAC, safety and access. Going forward the group needs to prioritize juvenile, mental health and either upgrading the current facility or focusing on a new building.

Adjourn

With no further official business on the agenda Presiding Commissioner Nelson made a motion to adjourn to any unofficial business that may develop during the day. Commissioner Hook seconded the motion. All are in favor of adjourning. The meeting ended at 11:40 am.