

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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The Jefferson County Board of Commissioners convened in regular session on Monday, September 9th at 1:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Wayne Ledbetter, Lynn Luck and Richard Malm. Also present were Josh Ney, County Counselor and County Clerk Linda M Buttron.

Vouchers were reviewed and approved by the Counselor and the Board. Richard moved that the minutes of August 26, 2019 be approved as presented. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

James Tweed, Emergency Services Director discussed a resolution approving the Hazard Mitigation Plan for the County. Richard moved that Resolution 2019-014 approving the plan be adopted. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Dustin Parks, Planning & Zoning Director met with the Board. Dustin discussed his attendance at the flood plain conference last week. Dustin discussed Special event permit application SP2019-16 for a motorcycle ride for AJ's Annual Legacy Ride to be held on September 21, 2019. Wayne moved that the application be approved as presented. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Crystal VanHoutan, Health Department Director asked the Board to sign a contract for the WIC program (\$55,139 award). Richard moved that the contract be approved. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Bill Noll, Public Works Director met with the Board. Bill discussed crew work and damage to roads from more heavy rain. The Board signed a right of way permit for a fiber line on 94th street, (done by Century Link). The recent reactivation of the State Bridge Program was discussed. Bill will be applying for projects that meet the qualifications.

Josh Ney, Counselor discussed the retirement of J. David Faris and the appointment of Gary Conwell as a new court appointed indigent defense council for both the felony docket and the misdemeanor criminal docket (the latter of which is the county contracted attorney position.)

The Board discussed a proposal from Sean Gordon of Gordon CPA LLC for audit services. The previous audit firm of Mize Houser will no longer be providing governmental audits. Wayne moved that Sean Gordon of Gordon CPA LLC be engaged as the auditor for the 2019 fiscal year. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Wayne discussed the proposed renewal for health insurance with Blue Cross Blue Shield. Wayne moved that the contract be renewed with Blue Cross Blue Shield for the 2020 plan year.

Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The 2020 health insurance premiums reflect an average increase of 15.4%

Crystal Vanhoutan asked for an executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel regarding contract employment. Wayne moved that the Board recess into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel regarding contract employment until 1:40 p.m. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 1:30 p.m. Present during the session were Crystal, Josh and the Board. The Board reconvened at 1:40 p.m. and announced that the session would be extended with the same parties present until 1:45 p.m. The Board reconvened at 1:45 p.m. The chair announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

Bill Noll asked for an executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel regarding employee retention. Richard moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel regarding employee retention until 1:55 p.m. Lynn seconded. All voted in favor of the motion. The Board recessed at 1:46 p.m. Present during the session were Bill and the Board. The Board reconvened at 1:55 p.m. The chair announced that no binding action was taken during executive session.

There being no further business to come before the Board they adjourned to meet in regular session on September 16, 2019