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Lee Sawyer, Presiding Commissioner
Scott Burnham, Easter District Commissioner
Ron Hook, Western District Commissioner

Meeting Minutes Monday, September 26, 2022 at 9:00 am

In attendance were Presiding Commissioner Lee Sawyer, Commissioner Ron Hook, Commissioner Scott Burnham, Amy Kendall, Scott Nelson.

Presiding Commissioner Sawyer called the meeting to order.

Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Burnham made a motion to approve today's agenda. Presiding Commissioner Sawyer seconded the motion. All are in favor.

Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Burnham made a motion to approve meeting minutes for Thursday, September 22, 2022 and Friday, September 23, 2022. Presiding Commissioner Sawyer seconded the motion. All are in favor.

Business

Public Administrator Annette Bertelsen met with the Commission to inform them of a project she is working on with St Joseph Leadership. Her team is working on a bringing a mentor or an ambassador to MWSU students to keep them in St. Joseph after they graduate. Commissioner's gave Annette some names to get into contact with for this project.

Emergency Management Director Bill Brinton came to discuss an estimate he received from Critter Control to remove bats from the hazmat building. A huge part of the estimate includes sealing construction gaps. Commissioner Hook suggests that Director Brinton get in touch with the company that repaired the roof a few years ago to see if they need to fix the gaps. Director Brinton will let the Commissioners know once he talks to Fritz with Ambrozi Roofing Co.

A court order abating taxes and acknowledging properties to be transferred to Ryan Pummell, Trustee was presented and approved by Commissioner Burnham, Presiding Commissioner Sawyer and Commissioner Hook.

Commissioners discussed providing funds to Rick Gilmore's project for a left turn lane, that will cut into the median on Village Drive. It can be paid from Economic Development or North Shoppe funds. There is a grant through MoDot to do with road infrastructure that we can apply for. Whether the grant is awarded or not; Commissioner Hook approves to fund up to 60,000, Commissioner Burnham approves to fund up to 60,000 and Presiding Commissioner Sawyer approves to funds up to 60,000, they are to submit invoices to us and County will reimburse.

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. Presiding Commissioner Burnham seconded the motion. All are in favor to adjourn. Meeting ended at 9:40 a.m.

Monday, September 26, 2022 at 10:00 am

Opioid Settlement Discussion

Attendance

Presiding Commissioner Lee Sawyer, Commissioner Ron Hook, Commissioner Scott Burnham, Scott Nelson, Drug Strike Force Captain Shawn Collie, City of St. Joseph Health Department Director Debra Bradley, City of St Joseph Mayor John Josendale, County Attorney Chad Gaddie, City of St Joseph City Manager Bryan Carter and Amy Kendall

A discussion took place on how the city and the county can work together to maximize the opioid settlement dollars. Caption Collie and Director Bradley will put together a prioritized list of needs. All agree that bringing together all organizations, schools, law enforcement, non-profits, hospital, neighborhood watch groups and work together will benefit all involved.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:20am

HVAC Progress Meeting; Monday, September 26, 2022 at 3:00 pm

Attending: Lee Sawyer, Scott Burnham, Ron Hook, Dan Sharp, David Stroud, Aidan Johnson, Chris Herner, Randy Schultz, Terry Clark, Rick Miller and Kim Hartman.

Work is progressing as expected. Some units are being shipped on Oct. 5. Aidan is pretty confident heat will be on by Oct. 14. There are currently five girl residents. Since the evenings are getting pretty cold, Randy has a temporary heating unit that can be used. Dan will look at unit and decide if it will work. Units in the girl's dorm area may also be hooked up for heating purposes. This will be the focus over the next couple of days.

There are still five other units that will take a little longer to receive, but these won't affect the heat being turned on.

Waldinger replaced some light fixtures in the hallway that weren't called out to be replaced. This was done to ease installation of other items; there will be no charge for this change. Randy reported that the city inspector should be on site this week; the wiring for the main service is pulled.

The generator is still not expected until after the first of the year. This won't cause any problems in getting everything else working. Randy reported that there would be minimal down time when it is ready to be connected.

Next meeting Tuesday, October 11 at 3:00 pm at the Academy.