

**Commissioners Meeting
September 3, 2024**

Present: Jim Seiler, Tom Brown, Heather Gries, Auditor Melissa Bunner, Attorney Joshua Claybourn

Meeting was called to order by President Gries at 3:00 P.M.

Minutes

Seiler made a motion to approve the minutes for the Commissioners Meeting dated August 20, 2024. Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Claims

Brown made a motion to approve claims as presented. Seiler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Hearing / Owensboro Air Show

The public hearing is for the temporary road closures of County Road 710 South (River Road) from its intersection with County Road 560 South, and County Road 310 West (Under the "Blue Bridge") from its intersection with State Road 161. The closure will be September 12 – 15, 2024.

Jennifer Head, a local farmer, expressed concerns about the road closures during that allotted time period.

Brown motioned to approve the road closure. Seiler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VSO / Butch Meredith

Meredith returned today for his first day back from medical leave.

Health Department / Mindy Spinks

Spinks introduced the two (2) new nurses Ashley Hagan and Haley Brown.

Spinks presented the Agreement for Transportation of Health Department to Clinics between the Health Department and Spencer County Emergency Ambulance Service, Inc. **Seiler motioned to approve the agreement. Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Sheriff's Department / Sherri Heichelbech

Heichelbech submitted two (2) requests for Opioid funding. The first is for \$4,900 and is for Moral Recognition Therapy (MRT). MRT is a structured cognitive-behavioral program designed to address the unique needs of inmates by focusing on moral reasoning and decision-making skills. The second request is for \$26,877.00 and is for the purchase of Raman Drug and Narcotic Identification Instrument. **Brown motioned to approve this request. Seiler seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Highway Department / Dale Kenney and Gina Mullen

Mullen presented a Task Order No. 1 Supplemental to Prime Agreement for the Commissioners to sign. It is for CR100E Phase 3 HMA Overlay from CR350N to CR500N. **Brown motioned to approve. Seiler seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Mullen presented an LPA Consulting Contract for Right-of-Way Services for CR 100E HMA Overlay. **Brown motioned to approve. Gries seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Legal Report

At the last meeting, Heichelbech requested a change to the county ordinance regarding crash report fees. Currently Ordinance 35.02 provides for \$5 to be charged for crash reports. The request is to increase it to \$8. The Commissioners approved the first reading. Ordinance 2024-09 **Seiler motioned to approve. Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Claybourn discussed the Eck-Mundy computer estimate from the last meeting. To move forward with purchasing new computers, there will need to be three (3) bids for the hardware.

There was discussion about getting a hiring an IT person. Bunner will work on a job description and then it will go to the County Council for consideration. **Seiler motioned to approve. Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Old Business

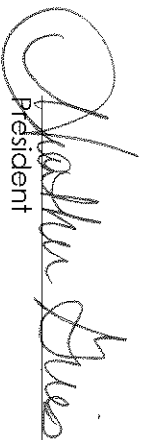
Burner is requesting some clarification on filing claims. The current deductible is \$5,000 for any insurance claims. The question is what dollar amount do we reach before filing a claim. The County Council has recommended a \$7,500 cap before filing a claim. **Seiler motioned to approve the \$7,500. Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

New Business

Effective September 1, 2024, Spencer County is under a burn ban. This burn ban will remain in force until rescinded by the Spencer County Commissioners.

Nicholas Held from the Purdue Extension office came to discuss his current position opening and reviewing the new job description for that position. The new title would be Administrative Assistant. There was discussion about who would be the scheduler of the YCC Building. **Brown motioned to table until the next meeting. Seiler seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Seiler motioned to adjourn the meeting. Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 4:01 P.M.



President

Attest:



Auditor, Melissa L. Burner



Tom Brown



Matthew Stuenkel