

UNION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – APRIL 16, 2018

PRESENT: Paul Wiwi, David Woeste, Alan Alcorn, Pam Tharp, Marissa Lane, Jim Crouch, Melissa Browning, Shaun Tudor, Alvin Day, Jeff Adams, Jim Franklin, Richard Blank, Chris Rosenberger, Jenny Brown, Jeff Bowers, Jeff Mathews, and Gene Sanford.

Wiwi called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Woeste moved to approve the minutes of the April 2nd meeting. Alcorn seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

COURTHOUSE BASEMENT: Gary Finch from Miles-Richmond discussed the problem of flaking on the brick walls of the basement. He feels it is caused by moisture weeping up through the brick walls. He has no good solution to permanently fix it but feels a dehumidifier might help. Otherwise just put scrapping and painting in the repair budget every few years. Discussion followed but no solution was decided on.

BROWNSVILLE BRIDGE: Highway Supervisor Jeff Bowers reported that the west side of the Brownsville Bridge over the Whitewater River was beginning to wash away with recent rains and immediate work is needed to secure the pilings and ground support. Discussion followed on how to remedy the situation. In compliance with statute, Alcorn moved to declare the situation an emergency and instruct Bowers to get bids for repair from Duncan Robinson Co. and Malcolm Byrd. Woeste seconded the motion and it carried 3-0. EMA Director Jim Franklin stated that the situation does not meet FEMA requirements for any disaster relief funding.

KLEINPETER CONSULTING: Mike Kleinpeter discussed what is needed to develop a Comprehensive Plan for Union County which would allow the county to apply for grants and other funding opportunities. He stated an income survey is necessary along with community focus groups with a cost of less than \$5,000. Discussion followed with the Commissioners and Council members present. The consensus was that this was probably needed as a possible funding source for future county needs. Alcorn then moved to recommend that County Council fund a Comprehensive Plan for Union County. Woeste seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

COURTHOUSE TEMPERATURE CONTROL SYSTEM: Jeff Mathews stated he had talked to Robert Bentley about the bid for the temperature control system for the Courthouse and they agreed that Mathews could provide the PC workstation and IT work for the system. This would reduce the Grantham Company Proposal \$3,500. The Commissioners asked that a new proposal with these changes be presented for consideration.

SHERIFF: Deputy Sheriff Shaun Tudor reported there are 19 prisoners in jail here and 3 out of county.

DEVELOPMENT CORP: The Commissioners agreed to expand the Union County Cleanup Day to April 27 and 28 with free dumping at the landfill. They also stated they are working on a free tire clean-up day in the future. The Commissioners also agreed to approve the flower contract for the Courthouse and surrounding area with their share being \$500-\$600. They also agreed to allow small rides on the Courthouse lawn during the July 4th Festival.

MISC: None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Attest _____, Auditor