

UNION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – FEBRUARY 20, 2017

PRESENT: Paul Wiwi, David Woeste, Alan Alcorn, Pam Tharp, Daniel Taylor, Jennie Brown, Chris Rosenberger, Jim Franklin, Jeff Bowers, James Williams, 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 February 6th meeting. Alcorn seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

911: Chief Dispatcher Jennie Brown presented a draft of a personnel policy to address mandatory overtime for her department. The Commissioners stated they would forward it to County Attorney James Williams for his review before acting on it.

TREASURER: Treasurer Linda Rosenberger presented a report listing two checks that the County had written that had not been cashed in over two years. She stated that the money would be returned to the funds from which the checks were written. Alcorn moved to approve this action. Woeste seconded and the motion carried 3-0.

HIGHWAY: Highway Supervisor Jeff Bowers reported that he would be meeting with O'Mara to discuss the spring paving projects in the next few weeks. The Commissioners stated there may be state grants available for road work this summer but it would not be known until after the legislative session is completed in April.

Wayne County resident Mark Hoelscher was present to discuss the condition of Old 101. He stated that he takes his boat on this road often and it is getting very rough. Highway Supervisor Jeff Bowers stated that it is old cement slabs and the expansion joints are heaving. He stated he had looked at the situation previously and it could be a costly fix. He stated he would discuss the project with O'Mara when they meet.

CLERK: Deputy Clerk Sue Ray, informed the Commissioners that the current voting machines may soon be ruled non-compliant. It seems the vendor has not corrected deficiencies found previously, and if they are not corrected soon, the State Election Commission will rule the equipment non-compliant in July. If it is ruled non-compliant, the County will be looking at purchasing new voting equipment which could cost well over \$100,000. She stated they are presently looking at various machines and options and will keep the Commissioners informed.

AMBULANCE: The Commissioners opened bids for EMS service for Union County requiring two ambulances for a period covering March 16, 2017 through December 31, 2018. The bids were Red Line \$400,000 per year, Heartline \$864,000, Spirit \$720,000, and St. Clair \$575,000. Discussion followed on the bids and the need for two ambulances.

The vendors agreed that Union County could be served by one ambulance with backup from another source. Three of the bidders had provided that option in their bid with Red Line bidding \$250,000, Spirit \$400,000 and St. Clair \$360,000. Discussion then followed with County Attorney James Williams who advised them to reconsider bids for one ambulance and give each vendor a week to submit a new or revised bid. Woeste moved to do this with Alcorn seconding the motion which carried 3-0.

The Commissioners then agreed to consider bids for one ALS unit with the provider arranging mutual aid backup. The bid should also consider extra summer week-end and holiday coverage. The Commissioners agreed to meet the next Monday, February 27th at 9:00 AM to open these revised bids.

MISC: None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Attest _____, Auditor