

ELK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Approved Minutes

December 9, 2024

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Regularly Scheduled Meeting

1:00 p.m. - Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance & Prayer

Minutes Approval – Regular Meeting Minutes of November 25, 2024

1:05 p.m. – Public Forum

1:10 p.m. – Department Reports

Ambulance	Rural Fire
Appraiser	Sheriff
Emergency Management	Treasurer
Health	County Counselor
Public Works	County Clerk
Register of Deeds	County Attorney
Community Development	

Old Business:

Real Estate @ 1285 Evergreen, Moline

New Business

2:00 p.m.

2025 Cost of Living Increases

2024 Budget Amendments

Commission Discussion

Abatements: PP24-136, TK24-137, OIL24-142, OIL24-143

Presentation of Claims

Other

Adjournment

Future Events: County Christmas Party December 13th @ 6:30p.m.

Commissioners Present:

Perry Russell, District I

Doug Hendricks, District II

County Counselor: Paul Dean

County Clerk: Kerry Harrod

Others:

Don Sanders, Public Works

Stephanie Ollenborger, ROD

Todd Winscher, Rural Fire

Gillian Beaumont, EMS Director

Shari Kaminska, Community Development

Malarie Chamberlain, Payroll Clerk

Nick Miller, Noxious Weed

Chris Miller, Deputy Appraiser

John Walker, Sheriff

Rachel Ware, Treasurer

Rachel Adams

Abby

Call to Order

Chairman Liebau called the regular meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Commissioners Hendricks and Russell were present as well as County Clerk Kerry Harrod and County Counselor Paul Dean.

Minutes Approval

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to approve the regular minutes of November 25, 2024 as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Rural Fire

Nick Miller presented to the Commission. Mr. Miller stated purchasing the Hemmit would be beneficial to the County in many ways. Commissioner Russell moved and Chairman Liebau seconded the motion to approve the purchase of the Hemmit from David Brooks in the amount of \$35,000 to be paid out of the Rural Fire Budget. Motion carried 2-1 (Hendricks).

EMS

Gillian Beaumont presented the report for November. There were 15 total runs with total collections being \$14,576.76.

Public Works

Don Sanders stated the Green Ranch Bridge is about 30% complete.

Register of Deeds

Stephanie Ollenborger presented the report for November. They had a total of 45 instruments recorded and a total deposit of \$2,986.75.

Sheriff

John Walker stated the department was going to be out of budget by the end of the year.

Treasurer

Rachel Ware presented an agreement with Klenda & Ostramen for the next tax sale. Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to approve the letter of engagement with Klenda & Ostramen as presented for the tax sale. Motion carried 3-0.

County Counselor

Paul Dean requested two legal executive sessions.

Real Estate @ 1285 Evergreen, Moline

Waiting on signatures.

2025 Cost of Living Increases

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to give a 2.5% cost of living increase starting on the January 2025 payroll. Motion carried 3-0.

2024 Budget Amendments

Kerry Harrod stated County General, Ambulance and Employee Benefits funds all need to be amended for 2024. Commissioner Russell moved and Commissioner Hendricks seconded the motion to publish the budget amendment notice in the Prairie Star and hold the budget amendment hearing on December 30, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse. Motion carried 3-0.

Executive Session 1:58 p.m.

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to recess into executive session for legal issues to discuss security with Sheriff Walker, County Clerk Kerry Harrod, and County Counselor Paul Dean not to return to open session until 2:04 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 2:04 p.m.

No action taken.

Executive Session 2:05 p.m.

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to recess into executive session for legal issues to discuss personnel with Don Sanders, County Clerk Kerry Harrod, and County Counselor Paul Dean not to return to open session until 2:15 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 2:15 p.m.

No action taken.

Community Development

Shari Kaminska stated there has been one proposal received for site certification from PEC. The site certification can be paid out of the BASE Grant. No action was taken at this time. Ms. Kaminska will follow-up with PEC.

Abatements

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to approve abatements PP24-136, TK24-137, OIL24-142, OIL24-143. Motion carried 3-0.

Warrants

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to approve the warrants in the amount of \$190,267.30. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

Commissioner Russell moved and Commissioner Hendricks seconded the motion to adjourn at 2:50 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

ATTEST:

Kerry E. Harrod
Elk County Clerk

Perry Russell, District I

Doug Hendricks, District II

Jake Liebau, District III (Chairman)