

WARREN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MONDAY NOVEMBER 1, 2021

The Warren County Commissioners present for the meeting: Clay Andrews, Adam Hanthorne, Craig Greenwood.

Public: Walt Wilson, E3 Bridges

Department Head/Elected Official – Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor; Ingrid Barce, County Attorney; Matt Herndon, Highway Supervisor; Jill Wilson, HR Director; John Kuiper, Zoning Director/Animal Control; Randy Haddock, Surveyor; Jenny Hobaugh, Highway Office Manager; Rusty Hart, Sheriff; Julie Clark, WCSWD;

1. The meeting was called to order by Clay Andrews.
2. Clay Andrews, Commissioner President led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. New Business:
 - a. Weston-Hubner requested to add Resolution Temporarily Closed Roads, Ascension Issues, Animal Control Truck Topper, EMA Copier, New Extension Security Cameras. Adam Hanthorne made a motion to approve the amended agenda with a second from Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.
 - b. Adam Hanthorne made a motion to approve the October 18, 2021 Commissioner Meeting minutes with a second from Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.
 - c. Adam Hanthorne made a motion to approve the October 18, 2021 through November 1, 2021 Accounts Payable Claim Dockets with a second from Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.
 - d. Adam Hanthorne made a motion to approve the payroll October 29, 2021 with a second from Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.
 - e. Highway – Herndon explained road work is continuing. Hobaugh explained INDOT has not approved the 2022 Community Crossing Grant but should have news next week. Bridge 39 was discussed. Clay Andrews made a motion allowing the Highway to apply for a Bridge 39 Federal Grant with a second from Adam Hanthorne, all voted in favor.
 - f. Resolution Temporarily Closed Roads – Andrews explained the list must be approved every 2 years. Adam Hanthorne made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-1101 with a second from Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.
 - g. Highway/EMA Internet Upgrade Quote – Weston-Hubner presented a quote for \$2,737.20 from Axxess PC. The internet connection has not been upgraded and with the connection now through fiber, this will speed up the highway and EMA connections. Craig Greenwood made a motion to approve \$2,737.20 to be paid from Commissioner Budget with a second from Adam Hanthorne, all voted in favor.
 - h. PHI Cares Contract 2022 – The contract was discussed as an increase from \$6.00 to \$8.00 per household. The savings for county residents has been very high. Adam Hanthorne made a motion to approve the 2022 PHI Care Contract paid from Commissioner Budget with a second Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.
 - i. EMA Copier – Andrews explained the issue. Jill Wilson, HR Director, presented lease quotes for a refurbished at \$68.00/month and new \$98.50/month from Cardinal. Craig Greenwood made a motion to approve the \$68.00/month Cardinal lease to be paid from EMA Budget with a second from Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.
 - j. Zoning/Animal Control Truck Topper– Greenwood explained the truck will be delivered today and Greenwood found a topper from Del Real Auto for \$500. Craig Greenwood made a motion to approve the purchase of the topper from Del Real Auto paid from Sale of County Owned Property Fund with a second from Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.
 - k. New Extension Security Cameras – Weston-Hubner presented a quote from Axxess PC in the amount of \$3,869.75 for cameras, computer storage hardware, etc. Clay Andrews made a motion to approve the quote from Axxess in the amount of \$3,869.75 to be paid from Jordan Creek Windfarm Expense Fund with a second from Adam Hanthorne, all voted in favor.
 - l. Ascension Issues – Hanthorne explained as of Nov 12th Ascension is requiring their employees to be vaccinated or termination. Ascension is not concerned with staff leaving due to this requirement which will affect our community. Hanthorne has called State Board of Health, Governor office and Ascension with concerns. Informing the public was discussed due to the hospital, ambulance and north/south clinics being part of this requirement.
4. Old Business:
 - a. Vermilion County Illinois Highway – The Commissioner requested to remove from old business until Illinois contacts the County.
 - b. Kerr Vacating Buffalo Hill Road Request – Ingrid Barce explained currently waiting on the surveyor and she is working on a 100-year title search. The Commissioners requested Herndon look at the area.
 - c. Unsafe Building Order/Property Maintenance Updates – Tabled until next meeting.
 - d. Courtroom/Courthouse Repairs – Greenwood explained the courtroom chairs have been removed and more chairs are in need of repair. Bouma and Betten have begun working on the courtroom. The outside courthouse project has been completed.
 - e. New Extension Building Repair – Hathorne explained the project is almost finished. The snow blocks for over the front door will need to be looked at. Adam will get quotes on this.
 - f. Jail Generator/Battery Backup/Phone System – Greenwood stated Huston measured on Wednesday and will be back on Monday.
5. Elected Official/Department Head Comments:
 - a. Randy Haddock, Surveyor – Bi-County Drainage Board meeting Nov 2nd at 9:30 a.m. concerning Goose Creek.
 - b. Julie Clark, Warren County Soil and Water – Clark explained the many updates and activities such as updated business plan which includes being more involved with educational aspects. The newsletter is emailed, posted in community, etc. Funding comes from the State cig tax funding. Clark explained many classes and events coming up such as watershed, community garden, woman's and junior soil and water groups. In 2021 trees were given to kids in the community as well as participation at the County Fair. Clark invited the

Commissioners to the monthly meetings held at the Warren County Learning Center the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

- c. Jill Wilson, HR Director – Wilson explained health insurance open enrollment is going well. Many good comments from employees concerning the We Care Clinic. The wellness program has been set for the last week of January 2022.
- d. Adam Hanthorne, Commissioner – Discussed the Benton County EMS letter from attorney. Hanthorne discussed this with Benton County and they will still help in emergencies.
- e. Craig Greenwood, Commissioner – Greenwood presented a form letter from AIC and explained a bill in the Federal Senate and House for vote. The bill releases some restraints on spending of the ARPA funds. The Commissioners signed the letter in support of the bill. Weston-Hubner will send to Representative Jim Baird.
- f. Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor – Weston-Hubner explained progress with the parcel between the Litzenberger building and Post Office, Courthouse Phone Recording, Property Taxes due Nov 10th.


6. Public Comment: No Public Comment

Next Commissioner meeting November 15, 2021 @ 8:30 a.m.

There being no further business, Adam Hanthorne made a motion to adjourn with a second from Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.

ATTEST:


Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor


Clay Andrews


Adam Hanthorne


David Craig Greenwood