

**WARREN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MONDAY MARCH 18, 2024**

Commissioners present for the meeting: Clay Andrews, Craig Greenwood, John Comer.

Also, In Attendance:

Public: Gloria E Hoffa, Greg Robison, Tom Witsman, Perry Conrad, Cheryl Clark, Lyn martin, Tim Fellure, Jim Prescott, LeAnn Conrad, Brenda Leak

Department Head/Elected Official – Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor; Ingrid Barce, County Attorney; Jenny Hobaugh, Highway Office Manager; Sharon Hutchison, Grant Writer (Remote); Anthony Pruitt, Sheriff; Ethan Foxworthy, Council; John Kuiper, Zoning Director; Randy Haddock, Surveyor; Jill Wilson, HR; .

1. The meeting was called to order by Craig Greenwood, President.
2. Craig Greenwood, Commissioner President led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. New Business:
 - a. Items to add to agenda Smith Scholarship, March 11, 2024 minutes, Resolution to add Prosecutor Credit Card. Remove Ordinance Regulating Pipeline. John and Clay made a motion to approve the amended agenda with a second from John Comer, all voted in favor.
 - b. John Comer made a motion to approve the March 4 and March 11, 2024 Commissioner Meeting minutes with a second from Clay Andrew, all voted in favor.
 - c. John Comer made a motion to approve the March 4, 2024 – March 18, 2024 Accounts Payable Claim Dockets with a second from Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.
 - d. John Comer made a motion to approve the March 15, 2024 payroll with a second from Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.
 - e. Highway – Herndon stated work on County roads continues and roads in better condition. Hobaugh stated the old chipper sold for \$2,775 through Gov Deals. Andrews inquired about turbine repair cranes. Herndon stated the next location will be 200N near 900W.
 - f. Sheriff Annual Report – Sheriff Pruitt presented 2023 Annual Sheriff/Jail Report. Explained Jail maintains 40 bed with additional 6 special needs beds. Jail was opened in 1992 and at this time there are no major issues. Explained the items upgraded over the past year. Currently operating with 12 correctional officers, 2 of which also work in the kitchen. Quality Correctional Care provides nursing. Programs offered to inmates include MRT classes (12 step drug and alcohol); life skills program; church every Sunday. No additional funds needed beyond 2023 approved budget with unexpended funds \$40,944.00 Jail and \$36,965.09 Sheriff. Total 354 bookings, 117 field arrests, 27 weekenders, average daily at 20.4 inmates. There were 0 deaths, escapes, or attempted escapes. Housing DOC inmates brings in funds to the County General Fund. Out of County housing for Carrol County \$8,625 with total inmate housing of \$33,187 for 2023. Meals served average \$1.72 per meal with 21,009 meals served. State allows \$2.00 per meal. Sheriff Activities include 175 crashes worked; 213 criminal cases investigated which is up 28 from 2022. Traffic enforcement at 1012 warrants and 297 tickets. Commissioners stated Sheriff/Jail is doing a great job. Discussed fuel/mileage. Explained Commissary Report.
 - g. Animal control Ordinance – Barce explained the Ordinance will allow Animal Control to shelter animals running at large. Kuiper explained only a few dogs have been euthanized over the past years as a license is required to do this. John Comer made a motion to approve Ordinance #2024-0318A Amending Chapter 54 Warren County Code Relating to Depositing of Animals seconded by Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.
 - h. AT&T contract – Weston-Hubner explained the contract with AT&T is only for the 4 fax lines in Court/Probation, Clerk, Treasurer, Recorder. The contract is for 24 months at \$26/mo. Axxess PC has been researching options but with legal documents, the options will not work. Clay Andrews made a motion to approve the AT&T contract for 24 months seconded by John Comer, all voted in favor.
 - i. Prosecutor Credit Card – Clay Andrews made a motion to approve Ordinance #2024-0318B amending Credit Card Ordinance adding Prosecutor and increasing County monthly max to \$30,000 seconded by John Comer, all voted in favor.

Old Business:

- a. Park Board Appointment – Park Board Meeting is March 25, 2024. Tabled until next meeting.
- b. Smith Scholarship – Commissioners stated there is 1 scholarship available. Table until next meeting

Elected Official/Department Head comments:

- a. John Kuiper, Zoning Director – Kuiper stated Hoffa has been working on the home and next UBO Hearing is set for .
- b. Jill – WeCare Doctor Brazo.
- c. Craig – health Department Fire Extinguishers needed. Landscaping at Health Department. Sidewalks need worked on as well. State Doctor April 19th.

Public Comment:

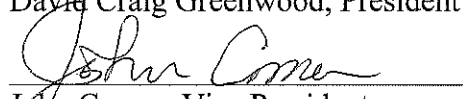
Next Commissioner meeting April 1, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.

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

ATTEST:


Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor


David Craig Greenwood, President


John Comer, Vice President


Clay Andrews