

## ELLSWORTH COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

### MINUTES

**September 26, 2022**

The Board of Ellsworth County Commissioners convened this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022 at the Ellsworth County Courthouse.

***Members Present:***

*Dennis L. Rolfs, 1<sup>st</sup> District Commissioner*

*Gregory C. Bender, 2<sup>nd</sup> District Commissioner*

*Stephen S. Dlabal, Jr, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commissioner*

### **OPENING BUSINESS:**

Chairman Bender called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Rolfs moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Bender moved to approve the Minutes of September 19, 2022. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

No one was present for the public forum.

### **APPOINTMENTS:**

**Dale Houston, Road & Bridge Superintendent**, informed the Commissioners that Kirkham Michael appraised the land needed to complete the Wilson River Bridge. The land is valued at \$9,855.90 for 5.1 acres. Mr. Houston will see if Elvern Borell will accept this proposal \$1,932.53 per acre. Mr. Houston said the 2012 Kenworth Truck threw a rod through the engine on the way to pick up a load of rock. Commissioner Rolfs made a motion to have Dale Houston contact MHC Kenworth to install a new motor in the amount of \$45,425.22. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Houston sought approval to order a new Kenworth truck for the price of \$145,540 to replace the 2007 International Truck. Commissioners said they would like Mr. Houston to get a quote from another company before approving the purchase of the Kenworth.

Kermit Rush joined the meeting at 9:25 a.m.

**Murray Marston, Ellsworth County Sheriff**, updated the Commissioners about the air conditioners the Sheriff office needs to replace. While City Plumbing believes the air conditioning units will work, they do not want to install them. Sheriff Marston said another local company contacted him and said they are capable and willing to install the air conditioners.

Keith Haberer joined the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

**Jim Kirkbride, Ellsworth County Medical Center CEO**, reported there are very few COVID cases in the clinic or admissions. The month of August had good gross revenue for the hospital but with some unfortunate expenses and three payrolls they ended the month short \$204,000.

**Teresa Shute, Noxious Weed, Landfill & Recycling**, said a man from Wilson is leaving disgusting items in the recycling bins. Ms. Shute asked if she could write a letter. The Commissioners told her to confer with the County Attorney.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Chairman Bender adjourn at 10:50 a.m.

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Shelly D. Vopat, County Clerk

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