ELLSWORTH COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

February 4, 2019

The Board of Ellsworth County Commissioners convened this 4th day of February 2019 at the Ellsworth County Courthouse.

Members Present:
Dennis L. Rolfs, 1st District Commissioner
Kermit Rush, 2nd District Commissioner
Stephen S. Dlabal, 3rd District Commissioner

OPENING BUSINESS:

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

Commissioner Rush moved to approve the Agenda with a change. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Rolfs moved to approve the Minutes for January 22, 2019. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Billy Kryger, Pastor of the Smoky Hill Baptist Church in Ellsworth, was in attendance but did not wish to address the Commissioners.

APPOINTMENTS:

At the request of Brenda Buehler, the Health Department Supervisor, Commissioner Rush made a motion to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel from 9:35 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. At 9:45 a.m. Commissioners returned to open session. Commissioner Rolfs made a motion to move Barb Kennedy, Pharmacist to $27.59 per hour. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Rush asked Murray Marston, Sheriff, why he had purchased two chairs that cost $1800.00 each. He said he wanted to try them out and see if they hold up longer for the dispatchers who use them 24 hours a day 7 days a week. Commissioner Rush made a motion to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel raises with Sheriff Marston from 10:13 a.m. to 10:25 a.m. At 10:25 a.m. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioners returned to open session with no action taken.

Jeremiah Brown, EMS Director, inquired if he could take 6 mattresses to the landfill at no cost. Commissioner Rush was unsure if they accepted mattresses and told him he needed to check with Teresa Shute, Landfill Supervisor. Mr. Brown wanted to discuss the wages for an employee moving from part time to full time. Commissioner Rush made a motion go into executive session to discuss non-
elected personnel wages from 10:33 a.m. to 10:40 a.m. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioners returned to open session at 10:40 a.m. with no action taken.

Doug McKinney, North Central Regional Planning Executive Director, provided literature laying out all the objectives for NCRP. He did comment that some of it is a bit of wish list from the board members and others. Commissioner Rush made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-R-02, a resolution to support the 2019 North Central Regional Planning Commission Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) objectives. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Rush moved to approve the January payroll in the amount of $215,810.12. Commissioner Dlabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Rush moved to approve the January accounts payable for $670,994.80 and prewritten warrants for $9,766.06 for a total of $680,760.86. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Dlabal moved to approve abatements 52 through 73 (PUP) in the amount of $6,814.62. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Dlabal adjourned the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

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Shelly D. Vopat, County Clerk

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