

ELLSWORTH COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

February 11, 2019

The Board of Ellsworth County Commissioners convened this 11th 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. Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Rolfs moved to approve the Minutes for February 4, 2019. Commissioner Rush seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Billy Kryger, Pastor of the Smoky Hill Baptist Church in Ellsworth, and Tyson Hall, Joey Oberle, Grant Gwinner & Jace Turnipseed, Ellsworth High students, were in attendance but did not wish to address the Commissioners.

APPOINTMENTS:

Shawn Esterl, with Saline County Environmental Services, presented his 2018 year end summary for Ellsworth County. Out of the 13 wells tested in Ellsworth, 70% had the coliform bacteria. Mr. Esterl said more public education is needed to improve this percentage.

Murray Marston, Sheriff, and Katie Nelson, Dispatch Supervisor, provided more of an explanation on the purchase of two \$1600.00 chairs for the Sheriff's dispatchers. Sheriff Marston explained that the chairs had a 10 year frame warranty and it is a cheaper option than buying a new \$500 chair every two years. He also informed the Commissioners that he was changing the dispatch vendor to Enterpol. Sheriff Marston said the initial cost will seem significant, but will be \$6000 a year cheaper than what he is currently spending with Global. In the long run, he said it will save the County money.

Geneva Schneider, County Treasurer, informed the Commissioners her budget will be going up in 2020. She has unhappy employees after the news article in the January 31st Independent-Reporter showed what the Ellsworth City employees were making an hour.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Dlabal adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Shelly D. Vopat, County Clerk