

## ELLSWORTH COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

### MINUTES

**January 22, 2024**

The Board of Ellsworth County Commissioners convened on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January 2024 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*

*Shawn Thomas, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commissioner*

### **OPENING BUSINESS:**

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

Commissioner Thomas moved to approve the January 22, 2024; agenda as printed.

Commissioner Rolfs seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Rolfs moved to approve the minutes for January 16, 2024, with an addition.

Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

No one was present for the public forum.

### **APPOINTMENTS:**

**Jim Kirkbride, Ellsworth County Medical Center, CEO,** said the surgery project still needs an analysis which will cost between fifty to sixty thousand so this will be postponed for six months to a year.

**Teresa Shute, Noxious Weed, Landfill & Recycling Superintendent,** asked if LockIT only covers IT or if they cover the Firewall too. Commissioner Thomas explained that LockIT will be the county's overall security. Ms. Shute informed the Commissioners that the heater at the Landfill is in constant need of repair and she thinks a new heater would save money in the long run. Ms. Shute has called Water Works for a quote and will reach out to City Plumbing for a quote as well. Commissioner Rolfs made a motion to go into executive session with Teresa Shute for non-elected personnel wages from 10:05 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioners returned to open session at 10:15 a.m. Commissioner Bender made a motion to go into executive session with Teresa Shute for non-elected personnel wages from 10:15 a.m. to 10:20 a.m. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. At 10:20 a.m. the Commissioners returned to open session with no action taken.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Bender moved to approve abatement 2023 – 58 for \$273.76. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Bender moved to approve Resolution 2024R02 concerning rates of elected officials. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner Rolfs moved to adjourn at 10:49 a.m. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

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Shelly D. Vopat, Ellsworth County Clerk