

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES – JUNE 7, 2021**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners had a meeting at 6:00 p.m. as was duly advertised. Commissioners in attendance: President Tom Hauser, Gregg Jarboe and Randy Kleaving. A representative of the *Perry County News* was not present. County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg, and Sheriff Alan Malone were present for the meeting.

**CLAIMS & PAYROLL**

Gregg made a motion to approve all claims except he abstained from Claim #111 (JCW). Randy seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0. The commissioners signed claims dockets in the amounts of \$363,162.51 for County General; \$192,360.64 for Highway claims; Advances of \$2,778.00, and \$1,589.40 for a total of \$559,890.55. In addition, the payroll dockets were approved in the amount of \$147,451.03 for May 24, 2021 pay, \$151,625.12 for the June 7, 2021 pay, \$2,653.72 for Overtime pay to the Health Department on June 7, 2021, and \$72.00 for a part time employee pay on June 7, 2021 that was left off payroll. Randy made the motion to approve the payrolls, seconded by Gregg. Motion carried 3-0. Gregg commented that the overtime is required and the Health Department informs Teresa when the clinic is low and for her not to come to help.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – IT SERVICES- COMPUTER SYSTEM  
MAINTENANCE IN CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND  
RIVERBOAT FUND**

Auditor Pam Goffinet explained an additional appropriation for IT Services needed for the rest of the year. Pam said that she and Administrator Teresa Kanneberg had been working together with this line item and have been watching the account as to what needs to be paid out. As of now, we still have to pay the financial vendor for the Auditor and Treasurer's offices for the rest of the year, one more payment and an extra payment to AnIsland for this year on IT. We are looking at the extra payment because we are still doing some catch up work and they are working into the third quarter payment at this time. Teresa and I have met with Anjan of AnIsland and he says things are starting to slow down from the offices and we hope it stays that way so we can get caught up. We paid out some extra bills from the previous IT in the beginning of the year and also purchased some appliances from AnIsland with Email Security, Anti-Virus server and Cloud Backup which was a one-time purchase to save us in the future. With all of this, we will be short around \$18,000.00 to get us through to the end of the year. Pam stated that after looking at the funds, it is her suggestion to take \$8,000.00 from Cumulative Capital fund and \$10,000.00 from the Riverboat fund. Tom said that you are hoping not to have to use it all. Pam stated that \$8,100.00 is there for extra for AnIsland if needed, so yes, we hope not to use it all. It was stated that AnIsland is getting a lot done and doing a good job. Gregg commented that our old vendor left a lot of things on the back burner and they went south. Anjan is catching us up which is a good thing of switching vendors at this point and it is going to take some extra time. He has no problem with that. Randy said maybe if we get caught up, then next year it won't be as bad. Gregg said he does a lot of things remotely which saves us time as well. Randy said some of those computers came from the CARES ACT that needed to be set up for departments. Charlie Baumeister, Councilman, asked if the additional can be done later instead of now because some of this is for the fourth quarter and we can approve what we need. The Commissioners can vote on it and put it on for advertisement at a later date. Chris says there is no time limit after the Commissioners approve it to go to the Council. Gregg made the motion to approve the additional for \$8,000.00 in Cum. Cap. and \$10,000.00 from Riverboat, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 3-0.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – LOCAL  
MATCHING SHARE – COMMUNITY CROSSINGS GRANT**

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, came before the Commissioners asking for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$170,855.27 for a portion of the local match for the Community Crossings Grant. We were awarded one million for the grant again this year. Gregg made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 3-0.

**PETITION TO VACATE PART OF UNNAMED STREET OR ALLEY IN TOWN OF BRISTOW**

Attorney Chris Goffinet explained he had a petition for the Commissioners to vacate part of an unnamed street or alley in the Town of Bristow. Bristow is a platted city. The Anderson Township Fire Department owns two parcels of land that is on both sides of the unnamed street. If vacated, then they can put up a building there. The property was donated to the fire department. Glenn Goffinet said there was one phone line there but it has been removed. Chris said the notice was published and certified letters were mailed to three land owners. This meeting is the actual hearing. He asked if anyone is for it or against it. With no response, Chris said he has the Ordinance prepared that approves the vacation. He said it is a standard ordinance. Gregg made the motion to approve the ordinance to vacate, seconded by Tom. Motion carried 2-0 with Randy abstaining since he is on the fire department board.

Randy commented that the Anderson Township Fire Department original firehouse was built in 1984. They have been looking for land for the last 4 to 5 years. They found this property and the land owners offered to donate it. They are planning on building this firehouse with one extra bay for a rescue truck to be housed there someday. This new building would benefit that part of the County. He said the ARP money could help with this also. EMA has basic equipment on a truck now to use. Gregg asked if there was an existing truck to locate there now and not a new one. They have looked at a 1998 pumper truck to upgrade it. It is a good rescue truck if decide to do it. There is no other basic rescue truck available. Charlie Baumeister asked of the time frame for the building. Glenn Goffinet said probably two years. They are getting the ground set and see what kind of building is needed. This is another aspect of keep growing the community.

**AMENDMENT – COVID RESOLUTION FOR MEDICAL PLAN PROVISIONS**

Attorney Chris Goffinet also explained to the Commissioners about an amendment to the COVID resolution that was sent by APEX, Health Insurance brokers if they want to make a change in the plan due to COVID. He said the HHS extended the Public Health Emergency due to COVID. Due to the extension, the current plan resolutions related to COVID-19 need to be updated. This is what it means for our plan.

1. The requirement under FFCRA/Cares Act for group health plans to cover COVID testing and related services without cost share will continue.
2. The requirement for non-grandfathered group health plans to cover the vaccine both in and out of network without cost share will continue (after the PHE ends, non-grandfathered plans must only cover the vaccine in-network and only if recommended for routine use).
3. The requirement under FFCRA to allow paid leave related to COVID-19 technically expired 12/31/2020, meaning the client is no longer REQUIRED to offer that leave, however, many employers are choosing to extend that until the end of the public health emergency.

Gregg said his opinion is that it expired on December 31, 2020. Let the expiration stand. This is just putting it in writing. Gregg made the motion to approve the resolution on not offering anymore past the expiration date of 12/31/2020 of the FFCRA/Cares Act Leave and approve the rest as is. Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Chris checked the appropriate box on the amendment and Auditor Pam Goffinet will send it to the Health Insurance company.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION – COUNTY CAR EXPENSES**

Administrator Teresa Kanneberg informed the Commissioners that they approved an additional appropriation of \$5,000.00 for County Car Expenses at their last meeting. She informed them that since then, there has been a collision with the Ram truck. We have a \$500 deductible with Franzman Insurance Agency. Tom said he asked the Council for a motion of intent of \$5,500.00 to include the deductible. Randy made the motion to approve the new amount, seconded by Gregg. Motion carried 3-0.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Tom said he wanted to clarify the motion made for public comments on the agenda. He said it is always done at the beginning or ending of meetings. Gregg

motioned to do at the beginning of meetings. The motion failed for a lack of a second. We have the ability to do public comments. He said on past boards he has been on; they follow the Robert Rules of Order. Tom commented that we are limited if we do them in the beginning. Gregg said that the public tells us when they want to speak and we allow them. Randy commented that we have always allowed them to speak under miscellaneous. Jim Carter spoke up and said to change it to Miscellaneous/Public Comments. Luke Thomas, Councilman, said we have a signup sheet with their name and topic to speak on. Teresa said during COVID we were limited on speaking. It was decided to add comments to miscellaneous. Chris said they need to come to the microphone if have a question or speaking, so others can hear them.

Herbert Landers said he sent the Commissioners an email on the animal shelter. He said the company is interested and possibly have an employee but the holdup is the Veterinarian. He said we have a shortage of Vets in this County. We need to encourage students to become Veterinarians. Having a vet is an issue. Gregg said he talked with Erin Emerson on special services. We have a lack of it. I talked with Purdue if graduates have jobs. He said to call colleges that teach vets which is about 9 schools. Veterinarians are deep in the hole when they graduate. Tom said running a brand-new business is the hard part getting established. Gregg said he hopes we can find someone to help them. Jim Carter said students take the medium field. They become nurse practitioners and not doctors, vet techs and not veterinarians. But they are limited also.

It was announced that the next meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. at the County Courthouse.

The meeting ended in open session at 6:45 p.m.

Minutes approved this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.

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Thomas J Hauser, President

Randy Kleaving

Gregg Jarboe

*Minutes prepared by:  
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