

March 22, 2022

MINUTES OF MARCH 22nd MEETING

Commissioners were all present. Staff recited the pledge at 9:00. Purchase orders and bills were reviewed and signed. Pending issues were discussed with the following resolutions approved and signed:

- V107-338 Minutes of March 17, 2022:
- 1st-Crowe 2nd-Striker Roll call; Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Crowe-yes
- V107-340 Additional Appropriation: Real Estate Settlement: Logan/Marion, Corsa Reimbursement
- 1st-Striker 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes, Striker-yes
- V107-341 Unused Vacation to S. Bogue, JFS
- 1st-Crowe 2nd-Striker Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- Signed: MTBT Addendum due to upgrade copiers at no cost, Commissioner Crowe to sign
- 1st-Striker 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- JFS & Speakwrite Agreement: 1 year, \$15,000
- 1st-Crowe 2nd-Striker Roll call: Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Crowe-yes
- EMA Agreement with Village of Forest
- 1st-Striker 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes

Joseph Sokol, Palmer Conservation Consulting, a sister company with Palmer Energy. They assist with after the meter for county buildings. Healthy building reports and a general preliminary analysis per building are two of their offerings. They do mechanical drawings, technical side of a building. No ADA but will get references.

Mayor Webb, Jacqueline Fitzgerald, Cindy Murray, and Joel Althaus met to discuss economic development. Mayor Webb other communities have to be involved even though we have representation. We all need to be intentional about selling our county and its communities. With Intel coming in we are in the radius and a good time to get involved. We want the RGP engaged and the rail logistics certified. Holli is very involved. We need the site certified or we are not on the list. To be certified a Utility questionnaire needs filled out. We are limited on pipe restrictions. Not a big factor. Can we get a spec building there? Rail is number one. Utilities are there. Missed the first deadline and need to be ready to do on the next go around. Hardin is not on the BLIP, 85% are along Interstate 75. What do we do to get Hardin County on the list? It should not all fall on Holli. Kenton wants to make sure they (Intel) know we are out there. Commissioner Crowe-we are lacking a large enough space of land with utilities already on. Joel-not the biggest site but not certified. It needs certified, that is all they are looking at. We need other sites. Mayor-we are reaching out to RGP to help. Big effort, big push. Jacqueline-could the county, with ARP funds, come up with a financial program to help with the blight? Commissioner Striker-Mark Doll is working on thru CDBG. Would you consider a land utilization program/bank? Commissioner Crowe-with the research we did before not a good fit for Hardin County. A tremendous amount of paperwork to get Brownfield funds and we miss out. Joel-the program has changed over the years. Maybe we should take the time to understand how the land utilization program works. More counties our size are involved.

Roll call resulted as follows:

_____, YES/NO
President of the Board-Fred M. Rush

_____, YES/NO
Timothy L. Striker

_____, YES/NO
Roger E. Crowe

Attest _____
Clerk of the Board

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