

July 06, 2021

MINUTES OF JULY 6th 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:

- V106-234 Minutes of July 01, 2021:
1st-Rush 2nd-Striker Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes
- V106-235 Reallocation; Common Pleas to return grant money
1st-Striker 2nd-Rush Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
- V106-236 JFS Resignation: C. Osborn July 2, 2021
1st-Rush 2nd-Striker Roll call: Rush-yes, Crowe-yes, Striker-yes

Matt Jennings represented the **Airport Board** to explain the FAA requested to move the fuel tank from the office as it is in the runway protection zone, but rescinded the order. The \$140,000 was set aside for the fuel tank move but would like to use on the following projects: T-hangers, re-installing the fuel tank, a ditch/ravine needed cleaned out and grinded, one t-hanger needs electric box repaired, a couple of t-hangers needs repaired, rust proof the roof, six doors need adjusted, the jet A tank need spill bucket replaced, and a coat of paint all at a cost of \$62,970. With the wind farm income being paid each year, that will fund their share of the local grant from ODOT/FAA, for the next several years. They appreciate the operating budget the county appropriates each year. The wind farm negotiated to give them funds to purchase and maintain a weather station. Hangers are all full with a wait list.

At 9:59 Commissioner Rush moved to enter **Executive Session** with Arin Tracy, LEPC Chair, regarding personnel issues. Commissioner Striker second. Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes. At 10:15 Commissioner Crowe announced the end of the Executive Session.

Chris Thomas and Steve Grissom, **Windstream/Kinetic**, they are expanding their fiber network for internet from within Kenton out. Rural needs expanded. They offered to partner with the CARES/America Rescue Plan Funds to expand broadband in Hardin County. Spectrum has pockets throughout the county but not reaching the whole county with grants they received. Those pocket areas (18% per Spectrum) are the areas Windstream is interested in partnering with the county. Cost depends on where the mile is located. If the county knows where, then Windstream can give a cost. A line crew is being hired for this area. Chris will put something together to show pricing for an area not covered: South of SR 67 and West of SR 68.

Roll call resulted as follows:

_____, YES/NO
President of the Board-Roger E. Crowe

_____, YES/NO
Timothy L. Striker

_____, YES/NO
Fred M. Rush

Attest _____
Clerk of the Board