The regular meeting of the Dundy County Commissioners was held on August 5th, 2024 in the Commissioner's meeting room. The notice of this meeting was published in the August 1st, 2024 issue of Scoop Media News.

Present: Commissioners Tom Richard, Aaron Keiser, Clerk Miles Preston, Assessor Tish Burrell, Treasurer Penny Denny, County Attorney Arlan Wine, Karen Baker, Kurt Sellers, Sheriff Ryan King, Emergency Manager Brandon Myers, Deputy E.M. Pam Reichert

Vice-Chairman Keiser called the meeting to order at 8:31 A.M. Vice-Chairman Keiser announced the location of the Open Meetings Act poster in the Dundy County Commissioner's Meeting Room.

Motion by Keiser to approve the agenda for this meeting, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Keiser, Richard Absent: Olson

Motion by Keiser to approve the July 22nd special meeting minutes and July 15th Commissioner meeting minutes, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Keiser, Richard Absent: Olson

Motion by Keiser to approve the claims as submitted, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Keiser, Richard Absent: Olson

CLAIMS: (Will be published at a later date due to a technical issue, All claims are available to review at the Dundy County Clerk's Office)

Karen Baker asked about the status of contracting an exterminator for the County. Keiser stated he would check on the matter.

Kurt Sellers discussed County Roads personnel.

Keiser made a motion to enter executive session at 8:37 A.M. to discuss county road personnel, to avoid damaging personal, seconded by Richard

Ayes: Keiser, Richard Absent: Olson

Motion by Keiser to exit executive session at 8:44 A.M, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Keiser, Richard Absent: Olson

Motion by Keiser to terminate employment of county roads employee Chris Pankonin, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Keiser, Richard Absent: Olson

Kurt Sellers discussed removing the county's requirement for new roads personnel to have a CDL before time of hire, and adjust pay scale to reflect if employees don't have a CDL. Commissioners agreed, Sellers will include specifics in new County Roads Handbook. Also advised that the road improvements for the Sandborne crossing have been completed and road workers will monitor the condition of the improvements.

Reviewed the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance for 2024 and Resolution 76-2024-8

Motion by Richard to approve County Annual Certification of Program Compliance and Resolution 76-2024-8, seconded by Keiser.

Ayes: Keiser, Richard Absent: Olson

Reviewed Distict 11 Probation Office for Budget and cost-share report for 2024-2025 for Dundy County

Motion by Richard to approve the 2024-2025 Cost Share for District 11 Probation Office for Dundy County, seconded by Keiser.

Ayes: Keiser, Richard Absent: Olson

Reviewed cost-share request for Region II Human Services for Dundy County

Motion by Keiser to approve the 2024-2025 Cost Share for Region II Human Services for Dundy County, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Keiser, Richard Absent: Olson

Reviewed member list for Veteran's Service Committee

Motion by Keiser to approve the member list for the Dundy County Veteran's Service Office, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Keiser, Richard Absent: Olson

Assessor Tish Burrell delivered the Annual Review of Ownership and Use of Cemetery Real Property, Tax List corrections, and the 2 year contract with Pritchard and Abbott for mineral valuations.

Motion by Richard to approve the 2024 Annual Review of Ownership and Use of Cemetery Real Property, seconded by Keiser.

Ayes: Keiser, Richard Absent: Olson

Motion by Keiser to approve Tax List Correction #792, seconded by Richard.

Ayes: Keiser, Richard Absent: Olson

Motion by Richard to approve the contract with Pritchard and Abbott, seconded by Keiser.

Ayes: Keiser, Richard Absent: Olson

County Attorney Arlan Wine delivered the County Attorney's report. Discussed Child Support reimbursement payments and the County Employee Handbook final draft. Keiser stated the next step will be for department heads to review the handbook. Also discussed storage space for the County Attorney's office; paperwork is adding up and many documents need to be retained for 7 years. Discussed legal requirements for document storage and sensitive information handling. Karen Baker discussed a previous proposal received from Larry Wiese for an addition to the county attorney's building, she will provide the Board a copy of the proposal when she gets it back from Wiese.

Sheriff Ryan King delivered the Sheriff's report. Discussed the vault on the base level of the courthouse that the Sheriff's Office previously used for storage, alongside the Treasurer's documents. King stated that he had documents that would need to be retained in that vault.

Called 7-D Lockshop regarding changing the Treasurer's vault locks. Jason with 7-D Lockshop requested pictures of the vault door and locks.

Brandon Myers from Region 51 Emergency Management arrived to deliver the emergency management quarterly report. Discussed the 4 recent local fires. Pam Reichert discussed providing CPR training to road workers and county employees that would be interested, Keiser suggested finding a date in Fall/Winter if possible.

Recessed the Commissioner Meeting at 10:58 A.M. until reconvening at 1:00 P.M. for the County Budget Workshop.

Reconvened the meeting at 1:04 P.M.

Dan Miller CPA and the Board of Commissioners reviewed the budget requests received from department heads and other county budget requirements. A special budget workshop meeting will be held August 15th, 2024 at 9:00 A.M.

With no further business, Vice-Chairman Keiser adjourned the meeting at 3:27 P.M. The next regular meeting of the Dundy County Commissioners will be held on August 19th, 2024 at 8:30 A.M.

These minutes are not the official record and may be corrected. A copy of the approved minutes is available to The Public in the Dundy County Clerk's Office. Any resolutions contained herein are available for viewing at the Dundy County Clerk's Office.

/s/ Miles Preston Clerk /s/ Aaron Keiser Vice-Chairman