

Minutes of the Woodward County Commissioners August 7, 2023 at the Woodward County Courthouse Civil Defense Room

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Troy White with Vice-Chairman Clint White & Member Donny Thorn present. Also present were Wendy Dunlap, Sheriff Kevin Mitchell, Tom Lucas, Daniel Thomas, Octavia Thomas, Connie Wilcox, Brandon Spray, Tecia Spray, Rameses Alvarez, Michael Jones, Brad Spray & DA Chris Boring. Statement of Compliance was acknowledged we have a quorum agenda was filed & posted August 3, 2023 @ 2:15 p.m. Invocation followed by Pledge of Allegiance. Motion was made by Thorn to approve the minutes of the previous & July meetings seconded by T. White Roll Call Thorn-yes, C. White abstain & T. White-yes. Lucas reported water resource grant applications due by September 1st, there is a USDA infrastructure grant for distressed communities & rural energy program. Wilcox (election board secretary) suggested updates for physical security in preparation for the 2024 presidential election year, the State Election Board has given us some suggestions to protect our staff & equipment from threats. Some suggestions are: installing a barrier between employees & the public space. Installing panic alarms. It is suggested that we have panic alarms at each desk area & our vote center area where equipment is also secured. Upgrading locks & strike plates. It is recommended that we have one room within our office space that has a metal-clad door. This can serve as a safe place that employees could retreat to in the event of an intruder. We have a storage closet in our office where this would be ideal. C. White stated the architects are coming from Joe D. Hall & we will address these safety measures. Resolution R-18-50 that was approved in the BOCC meeting 9-24-2018 Permanent closure of a 2.3 mile section line road from the intersection of E540 Road & County Road 224 approximately 2.3 miles north to .1 south of east west 520 & 224 sections 3 & 4 T20N R17W & sections 33 & 34 T21N R17W in District #1, Thomas explained that one of his neighbors has cut an H Brace in order to get a swather in through his fence & said he would fix everything and has done nothing T White reported that is road has been closed since 2018 as per Carolyn Wycoff's request & surrounding land owners. Brandon Spray an adjacent land owner said all it would take is a simple phone call & we would do anything to help him. T. White & Mitchell stated this is a civil case. Motion was made by C. White to approve Cash Fund Estimate of Needs & Request for appropriations for July 2023 seconded by Thorn Roll Call Thorn-yes, C. White-yes & T. White-yes. Motion was made by C. White to approve purchase orders batches #10 & #11 seconded by Thorn Roll Call Thorn-yes, C. White-yes & T. White-yes. Motion was made by C. White to approve Resolution R-23-52 determining maximum monthly hwy expenditures July 2023 \$188,271.48 seconded by Thorn Roll Call Thorn-yes, C. White-yes & T. White-yes. Motion was made by C. White to approve payroll for August 11, 2023 seconded by Thorn Roll Call Thorn-yes, C. White-yes & T. White-yes. Motion was made by Thorn to accept agreement for creation of joint airport zoning board for West Woodward Airport which would include two board members from the county & two board members from the city, with structures exceeding the height restrictions to go to the MAPC board with the airport board having the final decision seconded by C. White Roll Call Thorn-yes, C. White-yes & T. White-yes. The following monthly reports of officers were presented: Court Clerk (1), Sheriff (1), Election Board (2), Treasurer (1), Assessor (1), County Health (1), & County Clerk, DA (18) Motion was made by C. White to approve monthly reports of officers as presented seconded by Thorn Roll Call Thorn-yes, C. White-yes & T. White-yes. Motion was made by C. White to approve transfer of appropriations out of fair debt into fair maintenance & operation \$ 849,183.76

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