

Richland County Board
September 12, 2024

Convene

Dennis Graves called the meeting of the Richland County Board to order at 7:00pm on September 12, 2024, at the Jail Meeting Room. The meeting was proclaimed open, the Pledge of Allegiance recited, and a Silent Prayer was offered. Attendance: Dennis Graves, Present; Cindy Given, Present; Morgan Henton, Present; Brian VanBlaricum, Present; Travis Paddock, Present; Steve Schonert, Present; Shawn Rose, Present.

Changes to Agenda

Travis Paddock made a motion to approve the agenda. Brian VanBlaricum seconded the motion.

Information, Correspondence, Upcoming Meetings

911 will meet Wednesday the 25th at 9 o'clock am at the Fire station. 709 Board will meet Wednesday the 25th at 12 o'clock pm in the courthouse.

Open

Shelly with RCDC discussed Starbuck's coming to Olney. Planning to break ground March of 2025 and be open by September 2025.

Motion/Vote - Consent Agenda

Cindy Given made a motion to approve all items under the consent agenda. Travis Paddock seconded the motion. Items approved were the minutes of August 8, 2024, for County Board, September 5, 2024, for Road and Bridge meeting, and July 24, 2024 for 911 ETSB meeting; the county officer reports; culvert assistance petition from Preston Township Road District; supplemental funding Resolution for Claremont road project section 21-02135-00-FP.

Motion/Vote - Finance Committee

Steve Schonert discussed the claims. Claims totaling \$399,266.62 total county and \$1,624,818.24 non-county. Brian VanBlaricum made the motion to approve all claims, Steve Schonert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sheriff's Report

Sheriff Hires stated that warrants and arrests are up, but fine revenue is down.

State's Attorney's Report

John Clark discussed no cash bonds and pay or appear orders.

Animal Control

Andrea Edwards discussed issues with neglect cases. She also stated that the new building is done minus the new kennel installation. Steve Schonert discussed having an open house once it is complete.

Highway Business

Dan Colwell discussed 911 signs, stating he is ready to request bids. Planning to have bids by October.

Board Committee Reports

IT.

Corey McDonald discussed the county website that is still under construction as well as the county logo. Steve Schonert suggested letting the Tech Committee decide on logo. There was discussion about adding Township info to the County website. Corey also stated that the camera project at the courthouse is complete.

Motion/Vote Old Business

ARPA.

Steve Schonert discussed an anonymous donation of \$20,000 to purchase a van for Animal Control. The county would need to match the donation and pay \$20,000 as well. The van is a 2021 with 11,000 miles.

Steve made a motion to approve using \$20,000 of ARPA funds to purchase the van. Cindy Given seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Motion/Vote New Business

Public Building Commission is taking the lead on the elevator maintenance. Steve Schonert discussed kennel bids for the new animal control building and stated that out of the four bids, the Finance committee suggests the approval of Fence Worx bid of \$29,800. Steve Schonert made a motion to approve Fence Worx bid of \$29,800. Brian VanBlaricum seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Steve Schonert made the motion to enter Executive Session. Travis Paddock seconded the motion. The board went into Executive Session at 7:23 PM. Morgan Henton made a motion to exit Executive Session at 7:52 PM. Travis Paddock seconded the motion.

Adjournment

Brian VanBlaricum made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cindy Given seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Amanda Troyer
County Clerk

Dennis Graves
County Board Chairman