

Building and Grounds

Minutes

June 3, 2020

The Building and Grounds Committee of the Piatt County Board met via ZOOM on Wednesday, June 3, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ray Spencer. Attending in Room 104 of the courthouse were: Spencer, Bob Murrell, Shannon Carroll, Randy Shumard, Sheriff Hunt, Doug Winder, Eric Seibring and Keri Nusbaum. Attending virtually were Darlene Baker, Tony Kirkman, Jami Trybom, Scott Porter and Steve Hoffman.

Motion: Carroll made motion, seconded by Murrell to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2020 meeting. On voice vote, all in favor. The motion carried.

The May claims were reviewed.

Motion: Carroll made motion, seconded by Murrell to approve the May 2020 claims of \$26,195.50.

Mr. Murrell read a statement (attached herewith). Roll was called, Carroll – Yes, Murrell – Present, Spencer - Yes and the motion carried.

Public Safety Building

Sheriff Hunt deferred to Doug Winder. Winder received the scrap metal check from recycling the old condenser for \$207.20. The new condenser was tested on a warm day and it is working fine. The old system had a freon leak which was repaired, and they used some of the reclaimed freon.

Piatt County Office Building

The south elevator was not working. The maintenance department was able to clean debris out of the door tracks and repair it. They installed a sneeze guard for animal control and repaired the cooling system in the highway department.

Winder reviewed the bids for the fire alarm system with the committee. F.E. Moran - \$55,467 with a 90 day warranty, Seico Security -\$43,421.01 with a 5 year warranty, Siemens-\$25,958.66 with a 1 year warranty. The hourly rates for technicians varied from \$116 -\$253. There is bond money available for this work.

Motion: Carroll made motion, seconded by Murrell to have Winder to seek the services of Seico security for the system as stated. Roll was called. Carroll – Yes; Murrell – Present; Spencer – Yes.

Seibring is seeking information about office rents in the area to complete his spreadsheet.

Courthouse

Maintenance will be cleaning out around the memorial; the plantings are blocking the view. The city will run the cameras through the downspout tile at no cost. Heat in the circuit clerk's office was repaired. The bushes near the back steps have reached the end of their life. Probation replaced the bushes in the front, and the community services workers maintain them. Winder will check with probation to see if they wish to do the same in the back.

Eric Seibring and Doug Winder purchased evergreen trees to be planted on the courthouse lawn in honor of their wives.

Mental Health PMs were completed on the AC units. Health department reviewed the building prior to their reopening June 8. Funding to re do the recreation area was received from a private foundation.

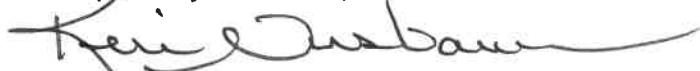
Transportation They would like to be able to expand the parking lot further. It would need to be onto the adjoining lot.

Safety concerns None

Public Comments Shumard asked Winder if he had pursued changing the pneumatic system at the courthouse to electronic. Winder said it would not be cheap, and agreed that something will need to be done, because the system is nearing the end of its life.

Motion: Carroll made motion, seconded by Murrell to adjourn. All in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 11:54 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Keri Nusbaum
Piatt County Zoning Officer/Secretary Piatt County Board

WHEREAS the Honorable States Attorney Office (SAO) has insisted that the Honorable Piatt County Board (PCB) should authorize the allocation of non-existing money to fund a part time agency within the county and;

WHEREAS the Honorable SAO has assumed an adversarial position with many, seemingly most of the subsequent actions taken by the Honorable PCB in the constitutional duties of the Honorable PCB including issuing Grand Jury subpoenas and filing litigation against the Honorable PCB and;

WHEREAS the Honorable SAO has refused permission of the Honorable PCB to enjoy the services of outside Legal Representation to ensure that the Honorable PCB is in fact operating in compliance with all known Laws and Statutes and;

WHEREAS It is the opinion, based on personal observation of this member of the Honorable PCB, that the animosity and steady antagonism by the Honorable SAO directed towards the Honorable PCB will undoubtedly continue in the immediate future regarding any actions taken by this Honorable PCB and has a strong likelihood of Legal Complaints to be litigated without our benefit of Legal Representation that must be afforded to the Honorable PCB and;

WHEREAS , to the best of my knowledge, the Honorable SAO is still taking an adversarial position in its relationship with the Honorable PCB,

THEREFORE , In an attempt to protect myself from personal liability , as repeatedly threatened by the Honorable SAO, Let in be known that until such time as a full investigation of the actions of the Honorable SAO into this toxic atmosphere and the unknown relationship of the Piatt County EMA director and the Honorable SAO to force the county into Deficit spending, I will acknowledge being present at this Legally scheduled meeting of the Honorable PCB.

But, without Legal Representation and Counsel, I can vote neither 'Yay' or 'Nay'.