REPUBLIC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2020

The Republic County Commission met in regular session on Monday, September 28, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. at the Republic County Courthouse. Commissioners present were Melvin Jeardoe and Edwin Splichal. Commissioner Marvin Bergstrom was absent. Clerk Kathleen Marsicek was present to record the minutes. Deb Hadachek from the Belleville Telescope observed parts of the meeting.

The meeting was called to order and attendees pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Lay Pastor Kathleen Marsicek, Little Blue River Parish, offered Morning Prayer.

Commissioner Splichal made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Jeardoe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Jeardoe made a motion to approve the September 21, 2020 minutes. Commissioner Splichal seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Jeardoe and Commissioner Splichal will attend the Republic County Hospital board meeting.

Commissioner Jeardoe presented employee plaques for years of service to two Health Department employees.

- Joyce Ball for 40 years. Ball will be retiring this year.
- Donna Moravek for 20 years.

Raymond Raney, and Danielle Swanson presented updates on SPARK funding and coronavirus cases in Republic County.

- Swanson announced that no new cases have been confirmed in a couple of weeks and the persons previously quarantined will be allowed to resume normal activities this week.
- Swanson also announced that the Health Department is setting up Flu clinics throughout Republic County so residents can receive annual flu shots.
- Raney asked for a copy of Republic County's procurement resolution to include with paperwork for a grant and as backup documentation for SPARK vouchers.
- Raney announced that Republic County has received a grant from Rural EOC Enhancement Grant in the amount of $18,944.00 to purchase a smart board for Emergency Management/Dispatch office.

Permission was granted for Laura Joy and Dawn Little-Journey, Treasurer department, to attend Motor Vehicle training in Topeka from October 12 to October 14.

Adam Robertson, Honorable Mayor of Belleville, and Adam Anderson, the Belleville City Manager, reported on projects within Belleville:

- Proposed plans to develop a road west of Love's joining with the access road south to 14th street.
- The city is cleaning up properties around the Courthouse square. City is requesting that owners either repair the property or tear it down.
- Work is ongoing with the treatment of the city water supply.
- The City of Belleville thanked the county for the use of employees and equipment used to seal streets.

Terry Lambert, Highway Administrator, and Stacey Bowen, transportation, presented updates from the county shop area.

- Lambert presented the agreement for Engineering services between Republic County and Kirkham, Michael and Associates, Inc for the cost share overlay on the asphalt north and south of on the City of Courtland. The work is to be done spring of 2021.
- Lambert presented an inventory list of culverts.
- The sealing of the asphalt on the west side of Cuba from US 36 to K 148 is complete along with the asphalt south of the City of Munden.
- The patching crew is working on the Kackley Road.
- Used tires at the landfill and the county shop have been disposed of through Champlin Tire.
- Bowen stated that the transportation bus has been very busy.

Commissioner Jeardoe suggested that Lambert start to prepare wage increases for 2021 for his departments.

Arlene Clayton, concerned citizen, requested that the road supervisor inspect the dirt road from Pawnee Indiana Village and the new bridge southwest of Republic.

Commissioner Splichal made a motion to adjourn at 11:10 a.m. Commissioner Jeardoe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be on Monday, October 5, 2020, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Republic County Courthouse.

ATTEST: _____   APPROVED: _____
Kathleen L. Marsicek – County Clerk   Melvin Jeardoe – Chair

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