

The Gray County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, July 31, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. with Mark Busch, Glenn Oyler and Ashley Rogers, County Clerk attending.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Building permits #2023-029, Cody Wendel for a garage in the NE1/4 of Sec 14, Twp 26S, Rng 28W; and #2023-030, Jeremy & Stacy Salem for a garage in Lot 2, Blk 1 Country Club Hills Addition; were approved.

Warrants were presented and allowed as follows: Accounts Payable #61774-#61842 and Payroll by direct deposit. Payments by funds were:

Payroll	\$82,647.92
County General	32,947.87
Road & Bridge	39,768.67
Special Bridge	215.58
Landfill	1,614.41
Noxious Weed	40,232.30
County Health	2,603.31
Special Health	40.01
Mental Health	15,840.00
Intellectual Disability	10,377.00
Historical Society	4,318.00
Ambulance	2,851.62
Election	852.06
Payroll Holding	125,715.24

Ashley informed the commissioners she received a phone call from Aumentum Technologies about our county website. They are having to shut it down for security reasons and can't support a new one. She then presented a bid for a new county website. Glenn moved to approve the bid of \$11,538.45 for a website design and hosting from CivicPlus. Mark seconded the motion. The motion carried. Payment will be from the Capital Improvements Fund. The bid is on file.

Commissioners then discussed the courthouse roof. It is leaking in numerous places and just needs some maintenance and repairs. We have been satisfied with the work Diamond Roofing has done for us out at the recreation building. Mark moved to approve the bid of \$19,135.00 for roof repair and maintenance from Diamond Roofing. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion carried. Payment will be from the Capital Improvements Fund. The bid is on file.

Mark then moved to adopt Resolution #2023-09, A Resolution for a Conditional Use CU6 (Cemeteries, Mausoleums, or Crematories for the dead) for Old Colony Mennonite Church. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion carried. The resolution is on file.

Brian McGrew entered the meeting at 9:40 a.m. He presented a bid for high angle rescue gear. Mark moved to approve the bid of \$7,339.37 for the gear from Columbus Supply. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion carried. Payment will be from the Ambulance Account in the Equipment Reserve Fund. The bid is on file.

The quarterly department head meeting was held at 10:00 a.m. with the following individuals present: Kerry Schmidt, Treasurer; Jennifer Shumard, Appraiser; Renee Shriner, Register of Deeds; Brain McGrew, EMS Director; Denice Cragg, Health Department, Sean Wendel, Public Works, and Jeff Sharp, Sheriff.

Jeff said his department is busy with traffic stops and lots of high-speed chases. They participated in touch a truck. Homeland Security might come in to give tips for active shooter.

Sean said they are busy blading and mowing. He has a new employee.

Denice said she is still looking for an RN. Her LPN is out on maternity leave. The new freezer should be here next week.

Brian said they have new protocols for medicine in place. They are trying to use more Toradol. The crews are doing well and he had a meeting with the Sheriff to keep up the communication between the departments.

Kerry said she is sending delinquents to the papers today. About the same number as last time. She had an employee resign and will be looking for someone else. She will also be looking into bids for tax statements. It is also time to be looking into getting a new folding machine.

Jennifer said they are doing 17% review. They are not doing any home inspections. They sent out letters for home info and they are getting a lot of them back. Good feedback has been received from them. They are still doing onsite reviews out in the country.

Renee discussed the county website being shut down by Aumentum. She will call the users that have subscriptions and let them know it will be a few months before the new one is up and running.

Once the department head meeting concluded, Denice Cragg met with the commissioners. She discussed grant funding and options for spending the funds. She paid for the Kitchen remodel out of Covid funds and it does not qualify so we will need to transfer the money from Special Health to fix that.

Sean Wendel entered the meeting at 11:00 a.m. He discussed getting bids on a compactor. Commissioners then approved for Noxious Weeds to purchase another \$31,012.20 in Freelexx & Tordon chemical from Van Diest.

Commissioners then discussed the summer hours at road and bridge with Sean. Commissioners feel it's time to go back to working 5 days a week year-round from 8 am-5 pm. Decision was made that in October road and bridge will work M-F. Overtime on the weekends will be allowed in certain situations where it is necessary.

Chairman

Attest: _____
County Clerk