

Ripley County Commissioners Meeting

May 04, 2020

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call - Present: President Mark Horstman, Rodney Stratton, Gary Stutler, Auditor Amy Copeland and Attorney John Ertel.

Maintenance – Craig Herbert

Mr. Herbert stated he had a quote from Dunlap to fix the cooling system for the server room.

Commissioner Discussion on reopening:

Open discussion on the reopening of the Ripley County Government.

Motion: Commissioner Stutler made the motion to approve the barriers from Chozen Design for the amount of \$3,052.75, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gary Stutler, **Seconded by** Rodney Stratton. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Stutler made the motion to approve Dr. Welsh's recommendations and to reevaluate on May 18, 2020, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gary Stutler, **Seconded by** Rodney Stratton. Motion passed unanimously.

EMS – Randy Miller

Motion: Commissioner Stratton made the motion to put the road status back to normal. Action: Approve, Moved by Rodney Stratton, Seconded by Gary Stutler. Motion passed unanimously. Forward email to Attorney John Ertel to write a letter to former EMA Director Shawn Alvarado. Attorney Ertel will be sending Mr. Alvarado a letter about employee equipment being returned.

Health Insurance – Patti Boudrot

The Ripley County Commissioners are looking at what the health insurance premiums will be for the 2019-2020 year. **Motion:** Commissioner Stratton made the motion to approve a \$250 HSA contribution for employee only and \$500 HSA contribution for employee/spouse, employee/children, & employee/family with a 5% increase in payroll deduction, with the plan of midpoint pe's., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rodney Stratton, **Seconded by** Gary Stutler. Motion passed unanimously.

Highway – Ray Toops

Have an application for new employee in district #2. Mr. Toops gave an update on the highway garage.

Sheriff – Jeff Cumberworth

Mr. Cumberworth has an application for a new employee for the front office. Mr. Cumberworth gave an update on the office. Mr. Cumberworth also wants approval for Corky Houseworth to use his one week of vacation a week after his anniversary date.

Dr. Welsh discussion:

Dr. Welsh, Ripley County Health Doctor, was in to give a brief update on the county and COVID-19. Dr. Welsh and Holley Rose stated that the State Department of Health will be setting up a testing spot at the Ripley County Fairgrounds. They are hoping to be here on May 13, 2020. This will be by appointment only.

EMS – Scott Huffman

Mr. Huffman stated that the Ripley County EMS calls are way down.

Technology – Becky Cairns

Mrs. Cairns stated that there is a software issue with the lights in the parking lot. Mrs. Cairns stated that she does have a call into the company. Mrs. Cairns stated that they are having issues with the doors of the annex, wanted to know if they want to call the company to get them fixed. Mrs. Cairns stated that the cost will be about \$1,500.00. The commissioners stated to go ahead and get it done.

Discussion on Area Planning:

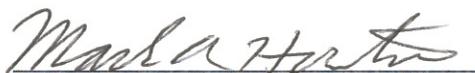
Commissioners, Auditor and Assessor had a discussion with Attorney John Ertel about 911 addresses.

Motion: Commissioner Stratton made the motion to approve the minutes from April 20, 2020,

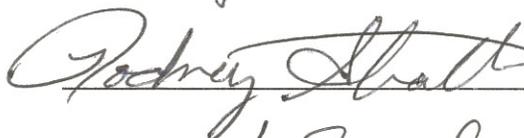
Action: Approve, **Moved by** Rodney Stratton, **Seconded by** Gary Stutler. Motion passed unanimously.

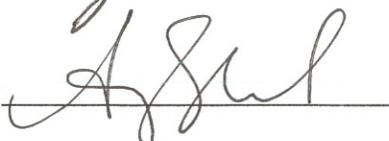
Motion: Commissioner Stutler made the motion to approve the claims and payroll, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Gary Stutler, **Seconded by** Rodney Stratton. Motion passed unanimously.

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 Mark Horstman, President

 Gary Stutler

 Rodney Stratton

Assts:  Amy R Copeland-Ripley County Auditor