**Minutes**

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Brann, Commissioner Harvell, Commissioner Barker

Meeting held by Zoom

**Franklin County Commissioners Meeting**

**January 18, 2022 Minutes**

Meeting was called to order by Commissioner Brann at 3:15 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

**Audience:**  Jim Desjardins, Pamela Prodan, Scott Nichols, Susan Pratt, Susan Black, Tim Hardy, MBTV, David Rackliffe, Tiffany Baker, Donna Perry, Charlie Woodworth, Annie Twitchell, Fen Fowler, Richard Morton, Mike Pond

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Clerk’s Report:** January 4, 2022 minutes for approval. **Motion to approve: (Clyde/Lance) (3/0)**
2. **Treasurer Report:** Warrants presented by Pamela Prodan for approval. **Motion to approve and sign the warrants: (Clyde/Lance) (3/0)** Terry asked how much interest the $2 million in ARPA funds have accumulated. Pamela shared that interest earned so far was $1,864.66.
3. **Lt. David Rackliffe, Stone Garden Reimbursement:** For FY 2013, the County’s auditors had the County put $110,692.00 from the Stone Garden Grant account into the fund balance. **Motion to transfer the $110,692.00 back from the fund balance into the Stone Garden Grant fund account:** **(Lance/Clyde) (3/0)**

**Motion to transfer $42,206.99 from the fund balance to replenish the Benefit Liability Reserve account: (Lance/Clyde) (3/0)**

**Motion to transfer $119,703.18 from the TIF Scenic Byway Improvements & Planning account, and $119, 703.18 from the TIF Annual Dues & Business Marketing account, to the following 4 TIF for a total of $239,406.36 transferred: (Lance/Clyde) (3/0)**

**1) Emergency Communications Equipment- $83,274.96**

**2) Match for EcDev Grants- $83,000**

**3) TIF Administration Costs- $16,058.55**

**4) UT-Employment Training- $57,072.85**

1. **TIF Scholarship for Approval:** Courtney Bachelder from Salem Twp. is attending UMA in the Bachelors program. Applied for scholarship in the amount of $1,850. **Motion to approve the scholarship award in the amount of $1,850 to Courtney Bachelder: (Clyde/Lance) (3/0)**
2. **Bangor Savings, Probate Surcharge Bank Account, Add Heidi Jordan, Register of Probate: Motion to adopt Bangor Savings Bank resolution for probate surcharge account: (Lance/Clyde) (3/0)**
3. **Bangor Savings, All County Bank Accounts, Add Diane Dunham, Finance Manager: Motion to adopt Bangor Savings Bank resolution to add Diane Dunham to All County accounts: (Lance/Clyde) (3/0)**
4. **Recognition for Retirees and Years of Service:** HR proposed assigning $100 limit to the retirement gift, and $50 per employee for years of service milestones such as 5, 10, 15, etc. years.Terry requested HR come up with some gifts to present within that price range.
5. **Non-Union Pay Scale:** The Commissioners need time to review the proposed pay scale. Will revisit at a later meeting.
6. **ARPA Funds Projects:** Sue to present projects at the next meeting. Sue Pratt presented a MOU for the Orthoimaging project for signature. Terry Brann agreed to sign. **Motion to approve Terry Brann signing the MOA for the Orthoimaging project: (Lance/Clyde) (2/0/1) Terry obstained.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Schoolhouse Road in Madrid: Motion to retract the offer to repair the bridge with the provision that the owners, Jo Richmond sign off on the road: (Clyde/Lance) (3/0)**
2. **UT, Bus Stop in Madrid:** HR to reach out to Rick (UT Superintendent) regarding the bus stop.
3. **United Way Workplace Campaign:** Did not receive enough support. Over half of the results favored not supporting the offering of contributions through payroll deduction. **Motion to accept the results of the survey and not provide the option to donate to United Way through payroll deduction: (Lance/Clyde) (3/0)**

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

1. **Sign for Courthouse: Motion to fund the new signs through the Courthouse Reserve account: (Lance/Clyde) (3/0)**
2. **UT Scholarship-** Rolling admission, 1x per year. Applicants can continue to apply throughout their college attendance.
3. **Quote from Pike:** Mike Pond presented a quote from Pike Industries for repair of the Freeman Ridge Rd. Mike stated there are cracks in the road and that it needs crowning and paving. Quote was for $81,010.50.
4. Schedule special meeting with Sue Pratt to discuss the potential jail/dispatch project of expansion.
5. Arrange to have Craig attend the next meeting to discuss the DA’s office lease.

**Warrants:** 1 County, 2 UT, 2 Payroll, 2 EFT: Empower Retirement

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**A motion and second to adjourn. (Lance/Clyde) (3/0)**

**Meeting adjourned at 4:31pm**

**Next regular meeting will be February 1, 2022**

**A recording is available for this meeting.**

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