

DATE: February 5, 2024

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(Road and Bridge, Building and Grounds)
DECEMBER, 2023 THRU NOVEMBER, 2024
FIRST AND THIRD MONDAYS OF THE MONTH**

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- (x) Kevin Weston – Chairman, Courthouse Construction
- (x) Angela Evans
- (x) John Gossett
- () Neil Hargis
- (x) Larry Miller – County Board Chairman
- (x) Curtis Overton
- (x) Ray Minor
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- (x) Matt Barnett, County Engineer
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- (x) Cynthia Miklos, Supervisor of Assessments
- () Judge Melissa Morgan
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Guests (Public Comments)...Joe Farley and Blake Benjamin, both with Novacom, Steve Vercellino and other interested parties that attended.

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 by Chairman Kevin Weston. See above list of those attending. There were no public comments.

Matt Barnett/County Highway Engineer was asked to present county highway's claims to the board and to give his report...

- Barnett has advertised for a replacement for his job, which became vacant when he was appointed as County Engineer.
- His employees have been cleaning culverts and dealing with brush.
- Board Member John Gossett asked if there had been any responses to the advertisement. Barnett replied that he had not had any responses at this time, but he will be looking in other areas.
- Discussion followed concerning requirements for the position.

Chairman Weston gave his report...

- The Courthouse has had a problem with the fire door. This is located on the 3rd floor. It had closed due to a battery problem. Batteries replaced and door is again open.
- Has shut off the water heater at the Juvenile Detention Center. Water does have to be on for the sprinkler system.
- LVT is now down in the Security bathroom.

Circuit Clerk Jim Muir...

Gave another update on the storage area in the Campbell Building...

- Shelving has been completed.
- Lights have been put up in the storage area.
- It's taken almost a year to get the moving, the scanning and the filing of the information that can not be destroyed.
- Serv Pro has done a good job with cleaning the floors.
- Loyd Electric has done a good job with the lights.
- A lot of files were able to be destroyed.

Chairman Weston commented on a couple of rows that still need attention.

The meeting adjourned at 5:46 PM

Minutes submitted 02/15/2024

Kevin Weston, Chairman- Transportation (Road and Bridge) Committee

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Guests (Public Comments)...Greg Garner with Archimages, Steve Vercellino, and other interested parties that attended.

The meeting was called to order at 5:25 by Chairman Kevin Weston. See above list of those attending. There were no public comments.

Matt Barnett/County Highway Engineer was asked to present county highway's claims to the board and to give his report...

- Rock and Oil Letting was held February 14th. Rock went up a little but not as much as he had expected.
- Employees are still cleaning culverts and also doing brush work.
- A little bit of snow work had been needed the past week.
- County Board Member Curtis Overton asked about the policy of replacing road signage. It was explained that we do not have a policy, nor the budget to do replacement of signs. At one time, 911 was responsible for road signs, but that was stopped by the state several years ago.
- Explained 2 resolutions he had on the following Board Meeting agenda. They are both related to our yearly Motor Fuel Tax maintenance.

Chairman Weston gave his report...

- Introduced Greg Garner, Principal with Archimages who was there to update the floor plans and other information for the addition of the Franklin County Emergency Management Operations Center. His full presentation can be seen on www.franklincountyil.gov as 2-20-2024 Transportation Committee Meeting Attachment 1.
- Time line for the above project was discussed.
- It is on the following evening's Board Meeting Agenda to Release for Bidding.
- It is also on the agenda for the following County Board meeting to vote for another safety feature for the Campbell Building – Halo's. This is also being discussed for other county areas.
- Updated the board on some of the county liquor licenses.

The meeting adjourned at 6:04 PM

Minutes submitted 02/29/2024

Kevin Weston, Chairman- Transportation (Road and Bridge) Committee