

April 16th, 2024

The Morris County Commissioner meeting was called to order on Tuesday, April 16th, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. Commissioners David L. Fox, Jim Barber and Wayne Kohler were present. Bill Kassebaum, County Counselor, and Chelsey Schmidt, County Clerk, were present.

Others present: Gary Floyd, Billy Kryger- Pastor Berean Baptist Church

Shelly Lautt and Jeff Falter gave the following weekly road and bridge report:

- Air Capital Quarry rock was hauled to 2200 Rd. from U-X, 2200 Rd. from X-Z, X Ave. from 2900-3000, 2900 Rd. from V-X, AA Ave. from 2800-3000, H Ave. from 1800-1900, 1800 Rd. from G-J and L Ave. from 2000-2100
- Rawhide Quarry rock was placed on 1800 Rd. from G-J, Kelso Rd. from M-R and 1175 Rd. from G-H
- Creek gravel was put on Helmick Rd. from 900-1200, 1400 Rd. from Y-Z and on a washout on P Ave. between 800-900
- Creek gravel was screened at the shop
- Reclaimer was used on 50 miles across the Delavan route and 18 miles across the Dwight route
- A test-run of Air Capital Quarry chips through the chipper was done
- Olgoonik was here to seed and fix spots on the waterline project that had settled
- Shelly attended a MUTCD meeting and the Roundabout meeting regarding funding and grant opportunities
- Safety meeting and MSHA training was held for employees
- Annual County Engineers Report was completed and filed with the state
- Report was filed with the Sheriff's Office for the stolen gravel on 2700 Rd. between U-V

Dan Bacon, county resident, attended the meeting via telephone. Discussion was held regarding the Flint Hills Gravel Ride that was held this past weekend.

Randy Barten, County Sanitarian, visited with the commission regarding multiple sanitation code violations found on 2700 Rd. between U and V Ave. A letter will be sent to the property owners from Bill Kassebaum, County Counselor, regarding the violations.

Commissioner Barber (Kohler) moved to approve the minutes from the April 9th, 2024 commission meeting, as presented. Motion carried.

Commissioner Kohler (Barber) moved to approve the accounts payable vouchers as presented; in the total amount of \$170,469.67. Motion carried. The breakdown by fund is as follows:

General:	\$ 3,849.23
Road & Bridge:	\$ 79,643.94
Reappraisal:	\$ 85.00
Solid Waste:	\$ 207.08
Morris County 911:	\$ 111.69
Capital Improvement:	\$ 86,572.73

Commissioner Barber (Kohler) moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$112,696.88. Motion carried.

Commissioner Fox (Barber) moved to accept the resignation letter from Dr. John Price as the Morris County Deputy Coroner, effective April 30, 2024. Motion carried.

The commissioners reviewed a draft of the renewal contract with the Morris County Youth Rodeo Association regarding the rodeo arena. Proposed changes will be made to the contract and will be reviewed again next week.

Kim Bomberger, county resident, visited with the commissioners and Travis Schweger about identifying Teasel in the area of B Ave. and Hwy 57. Teasel is considered to be an invasive weed.

Travis Schweger, Noxious Weed & Waste Management Director, gave a report on the Noxious Weed and Waste Management Departments. The Transfer Station Policies & Procedures were reviewed. Proposed changes will be made and will be reviewed again next week.

Two fuel bids were received for 4,500 gallons of clear #2 diesel fuel and 3,500 gallons of regular unleaded gasoline as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Diesel</u>	<u>Reg Unleaded</u>	<u>Total</u>
MFA Oil	3.240/gal	2.7201/gal	\$24,100.35
Agri Trails	3.1178/gal	2.7251/gal	\$23,567.95

Commissioner Barber (Kohler) moved to approve the bid from Agri Trails as presented, in the total amount of \$23,567.95. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

--Meeting minutes can also be found on the county website: www.morriscountyks.org

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Wayne Kohler, Member

Chelsey Schmidt
Morris County Clerk

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