

The Pottawatomie County Board of County Commissioners met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. The following members were present: Melissa Dennis, Chairman, Abby Thompson and Greg Rush, Members, Stephanie Hutchcraft, 1st Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS- Thad Campbell, Maintenance, Shannon Adams, Pott Co Health Dept., Angela Williams, District 2, Jared Strand and Scott Hawkins, PCSO, Bill Rooth and Phil Solinger, Pott GOP, Jennifer Colbert, PCSC, Nickie Skaggs, Pott Co Admin, Suzie Campbell, Countywide & Sun, Braquel Stephens and Robin Ueltzen, Pott Co 911, and Rob Morris were all welcomed to today's meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS- Scott Hawkins wanted to thank Kurt for coming after hours to handle a problem at the sheriff's office.

Phil Solinger stated he attended an event at Gordon Cooper and was concerned that the DA's office was not prosecuting offenders to children because of the cost.

Mrs. Dennis stated that District 2 sent employees to mow the dam at Wes Watkins.

Mr. Rush stated that the safety presentation that was given at his barn was excellent. He stated the Robin, Braquel, Aaron, and Shane did a wonderful job.

UPDATE FACILITIES MAINTENANCE- There were 37 maintenance calls and 1 pm. They are meeting at Carter Hall to discuss the intercom system. Allied replaced parts on the elevator in the courthouse.

UPDATE PUBLIC SAFETY CENTER- The current number of inmates is 358. There are 291 males and 67 females. Sixty-five were booked-in and 56 released. Four inmates were placed on safety observations.

UPDATE POTT CO 911- There were 52 address points created/edited and 25 centerlines created/edited.

UPDATE POTT CO EM- They sent a light tower over for Tecumseh Frontier Days. A meeting with volunteers will be Thursday.

BID- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve going out on bid for one 1996 or newer pumper tanker for Brooksville Fire Department. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

MINUTES- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve the minutes of September 24, 2024. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS- A motion was made by Mr. Rush and seconded by Mrs. Dennis to approve the following Transfer of Appropriation: Shawnee Schools- \$65,000 from capital outlay to M & O. The motion carried with the following vote: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

BLANKET PURCHASE ORDERS- Mr. Rush made a motion to approve the blanket purchase orders. Seconded by Mrs. Dennis the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

AGREEMENT- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve the affiliation agreement between Citizen Potawatomi Nation and Pottawatomie County Health Department. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

ENGAGEMENT LETTER- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis and seconded by Mrs. Thompson to approve the engagement letter with Wilson, Dotson & Associates. The motion carried with the following vote: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

SAG AWARD CONTRACT- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve Sheriff's Assistance Grant award contract from the Oklahoma Attorney General's office for \$300,000.00. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

COUNTY COMMUNITY SAFETY INVESTMENT FUND- Mrs. Thompson made a motion to approve moving forward and filling out the RFP for the County Community Safety Investment Fund and applying for funds available for a program to divert individuals from the criminal justice system by developing and implementing a substance abuse treatment program pretrial program, employment program, education program or housing program. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

CIVIC PLUS- Mr. Rush made a motion for Mrs. Dennis to reach out to Civic Plus about a demonstration of the program. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

IT TRAINING- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to have an IT training for all elected officials. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM 781- No action was taken regarding Pottawatomie County Mental Health Program 781 funds.

RECEPTION- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to have a welcoming reception for Emergency Management Director, Aaron Scott. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

IFYR NEGOTIATIONS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to discuss the goals and plans for the International Finals Youth Rodeo "IFYR" and to start negotiations with the City of Shawnee. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

UTILITY RELOCATION- Mr. Rush made a motion to approve a county utility relocation agreement for OG&E, J/P 34467(04) located on Pecan Grove Road in District 2. Seconded by Mrs. Dennis the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

RECEIVING OFFICERS- A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve appointing Tiffany Goforth and Carlee Shrum as receiving officers for the school donations account. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

REQUESTING OFFICERS- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve appointing requesting officers as follows for the School Donations account: Greg Rush and Stephanie Hutchcraft for Bethel, Macomb and Wanette Schools; Abby Thompson and Stephanie Hutchcraft for Asher, Earlsboro, Maud, Pl. Grove, SRC, and Tecumseh Schools; Melissa Dennis and Stephanie Hutchcraft for Dale, Grove, McLoud, NRC, and Shawnee Schools. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

UTILITY PERMIT- Mrs. Dennis made a motion to approve the utility permit for Tri-Co Rwd 2 in the SWNW/4 of Section 11-T10N-R4E crossing Musson Rd/NS 3450. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- At 9:51 a.m., Mrs. Dennis made a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307 (B)(1) to discuss and take action regarding the administrative coordinator's job description and the interviews of Bailey Bickerstaff, Jordan Palmer, David Conway and Angela McMillan as possible hires for the administrative coordinator. She also made a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307 (B)(3) concerning the purchasing of properties located at 318 and 320 North Broadway, Shawnee, Oklahoma 74801. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

At 10:29 a.m., Mrs. Thompson made a motion to exit Executive Session and enter Open Session. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to approve hiring Bailey Bickerstaff for the administrative coordinator's position. Seconded by Mr. Rush the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis to move forward and allow Mrs. Dennis to negotiate the purchase of properties located at 318 and 320 N Broadway, Shawnee OK., with the owner. Seconded by Mrs. Thompson the vote was: AYE- Thompson, Rush, Dennis.

ADJOURN- There being no further business Mrs. Thompson made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mrs. Dennis the vote was: AYE- Rush, Thompson, Dennis. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

ATTEST:

By: Melissa Dennis, Chairman

Raeshel Flewallen, County Clerk