The Board of Woodson County Commissioners met in a regular business session on August 9, 2022 with Chairman Justin Clark, Vice-Chairman Wayne Faulkner, Member Monty Barnett, Attorney Zelda Schlotterbeck and Clerk 1 Teresa McCullough.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Faulkner made the motion to approve the agenda. Barnett seconded it, with Clark making it unanimous.

Clark made the motion to approve the minutes from August 2, 2022. Faulkner seconded it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

Faulkner moved to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect employee confidentiality; to discuss employee performance for 10 minutes with Tim Dimick, Commissioners, County Attorney, and Clerk 1 starting at 8:37 a.m. and reconvene at 8:47 a.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room. Barnett seconded it, with Clark making it unanimous.

Tim Dimick, Road & Bridge Supervisor, came to the Board to report on roads and tree cutting. He also brought a permit from Environmental Construction requesting permission and authority to do certain work involving Woodson County Road right-of-way. They will bore into Nighthawk Rd to provide AT & T service to 1180 and 1188 Nighthawk Rd.

Sheriff Jeff McCullough presented his weekly reports. He reported that Deputy Scott Hockman is now a certified DARE Officer. The cost of this 2-week training was only \$50 after a \$500 reimbursement from the Attorney General's Office. There is a special program that will help pay for the expenditures for first-time DARE teachers, which the Sheriff's Office will take advantage of. If other monies are needed, it will come from the Special Alcohol Fund.

Cari Cavender, EMS Director, brought in her weekly reports. There was further discussion of county paying for Paramedic training. Grant monies have been awarded and will continue to be applied for as they become available. Cari will bring an all-inclusive statement of the costs to next week's meeting for approval by the Board.

Faulkner moved to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect employee confidentiality; to discuss employee performance for 10 minutes with Cari Cavender, Commissioners, County Attorney and Clerk 1 starting at 9:25 a.m. and reconvene at 9:35 a.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room. Clark seconded it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

April Jackson, Rural Health Coordinator with SEK Substance Misuse/Prevention Coalition came to the Board asking permission to have a banner and National Recovery Kick-Off Event for the community and surrounding communities on September 14th from 3:00-6:00 p.m. There will be information on the prevention, treatment and recovery resources for those affected by Substance Use Disorder and Opioid Use Disorder.

Faulkner made a motion to take a 5-minute recess. Clark seconded it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

Jarrod McVey, Noxious Weed, Solid Waste and Maintenance Supervisor stated that the roof repairs will begin in a couple weeks. He also brought in quotes from Fire X Inc, Bolt Lightning Protection and KJ Electric. Faulkner made the motion to upgrade our fire alarm system in the amount of \$13,985.00.

Clark seconded it, with Barnett making it unanimous. Faulkner also made the motion to approve the quote to replace our lightning bolt protection in the amount of \$28,200.00. Clark seconded it, with Barnett making it unanimous. Amounts will be paid out of ARPA.

McVey also brought an agreement from his KDHE Grant for the Chair to sign. The agreement states that we will need to present quarterly reports and have sexual harassment training. Clark made the motion to allow the chair to sign the agreement for the grant that will amount to 75% of the total cost of the new bailer.

Nick Barney, Fire Chief came to the Board concerned about the number of fires and the very dry conditions. Barnett made the motion to have a county-wide burn ban lasting through August 31st. 2022. Clark seconded, with Faulkner making it unanimous.

Took public comment from Ted Spencer.

Michelle Zimmerman, County Treasurer, came to the Board stating she had hired Brittney King as a regular/part time employee with benefits. Faulkner made the motion to approve the new employee wage sheet. Barnett seconded it, with Clark making it unanimous.

Faulkner made the motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$372,637.93. Clark seconded, with Barnett making it unanimous.

Clark moved to recess into executive session for Attorney Client privileges to discuss legal liability for 10 minutes with the Commissioners and the County Attorney starting at 11:37 a.m. and reconvene at 11:42 a.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room. Faulkner seconded it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

Clark made the motion to adjourn at 12:00 p.m.

Attest: Tesla Bayles, County Clerk

Nayne Faulkner, Vice-Chairman

Justin Clark, Member