

Richland County Board
February 8, 2024

Convene

Chairman Dennis Graves called the meeting of the Richland County Board to order at 7:00pm on February 8, 2024, at the Jail Meeting Room. The meeting was proclaimed open, the Pledge of Allegiance recited, and a Silent Prayer was offered. Attendance: Dennis Graves, Present; Shawn Rose, Present; Cindy Given, Present; Morgan Henton, Present; Steve Schonert, Present. Brian VanBlaricum and Travis Paddock were both absent.

Changes to Agenda

Cindy Given made a motion to approve the agenda. Steve Schonert seconded the motion.

Information, Correspondence, Upcoming Meetings

The 708 Board will meet February 14, 2024 at 12 o'clock PM. 911 meeting February 28, 2024 at 9 o'clock AM at the Olney Fire Department. Judiciary Committee meeting February 15 at 4 o'clock PM.

Open

Nothing to report.

Motion/Vote - Consent Agenda

Shawn Rose made a motion to approve all items under the consent agenda. Cindy Given seconded the motion. The motion was passed by vote: Dennis Graves (Yes), Shawn Rose (Yes), Cindy Given (Yes), Steve Schonert (Yes), Morgan Henton (Yes). Items approved were the minutes of January 11, 2024 for County Board, February 1, 2024, for Road and Bridge meeting, December 27, 2023 for 911 ETSB meeting; the county officer reports; Resolution to award construction for Preston Road District Bridge replacement on Hurricane Lane; Engineering design agreement with Charleston Engineering for the replacement of Madison Road District drainage structure on Sunnybrook Road at branch of Turkey Creek; Updated Contract Holiday schedule; St. Joseph Church – Stringtown liquor license for March 9, 2024.

Motion/Vote - Finance Committee

Steve Schonert discussed the claims. Morgan Henton then made the motion to approve all claims, Shawn Rose seconded the motion. The motion was passed by vote: Dennis Graves (Yes), Shawn Rose (Yes), Cindy Given (Yes), Morgan Henton (Yes), Steve Schonert (Yes).

Sheriff's Report

Sheriff Hires discussed the upcoming April 8, 2024 total eclipse and the services that they will provide for the influx of people that will be traveling through the county.

States Attorney's Report

State's Attorney John Clark discussed the State mandated pay increase for Public Defenders.

Animal Control

Steve Schonert stated that the Public Safety committee will start meeting with Animal Control.

Highway Business

County Engineer Dan Colwell stated that they have taken bids for rock and oil for the County. He will have the bids ready for the March meeting.

Board Committee Reports

IT. Corey McDonald discussed a new social media policy that they are still working on. He is also changing some licensing that will save the county around \$1000. Offices are submitting their information for the new website.

Old Business

ARPA. Steve Schonert stated that there have been no changes or new requests.

New Business

Morgan Henton discussed the Immigration Resolution that was purposed. He stated that he is just wanting to get ahead of the issue and our duty is to put our citizens first. Shawn Rose agreed with Morgan. Cindy Given stated that she has not had enough time to look into the matter. Cindy Given then made a motion to table until the March meeting. Steve Schonert seconded the motion, stating that he is in favor of the Resolution but wants to give everyone time to look into the matter. The motion was passed by a vote: Morgan Henton (No), Shawn Rose (No), Cindy Given (Yes), Steve Schonert (Yes), Dennis Graves (Yes).

Executive Session

Cindy Given made the motion to enter Executive Session at 7:32 PM. Steve Schonert seconded the motion.

Morgan Henton made a motion to exit Executive Session at 7:57 PM. Shawn Rose seconded the motion.

Adjournment

Cindy Given made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Morgan Henton seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Amanda Troyer
County Clerk

Dennis Graves
County Board Chairman