

Vermillion County Council

Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2019

6:30 p.m.

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Courthouse

- I. **Call to Order.** The Vermillion County Council convened in a regular meeting on February 11, 2019.
- II. **Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.**
- III. **Roll Call.** Members present were President John Michael Major, Vice President Ashley James, Neil Costello, Ronald Dunavan, William Brent Bush, Robert Spence, Randy Dreher, Auditor Amy Tolbert, First Deputy Auditor Stephanie Simpson, and Council Attorney Scott Craig.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes.** A motion was made by Bush and seconded by Spence to approve the minutes from the January 14, 2019 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. **Treasurers Report.** Major acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer's Report.
- VI. **Comp Time Report.** The Council discussed the comp time report. Bush asked why there were still courthouse employees who had comp time, and Council Attorney Scott Craig said that it was up to the employees to use up the time they had accumulated. Costello asked what the maximum was that employees could accumulate, it was stated 160 hours except for highway employees that are allowed 240 hours. Tolbert said that there is no time limit on how quickly employees have to use up the time they have accumulated.
It was decided that the comp time issue would be addressed by the handbook committee.
- VII. **Transfer of Funds.**
Reporting only. Commissioners Court transferring \$4,250.00 from Telephone to Nixle.
- VIII. **Additional Appropriations.**
Mark O'Heir put in an additional appropriation request for the Courthouse Security Board requesting \$13,000.00 for the purchase and installation of Access Control Card Readers with Electronic Door Locks on all four exterior Courthouse Doors. A motion was made by James and seconded by Dreher to approve the additional. All in favor, motion carried.
EOC. Mark O'Heir said the County has been awarded an SHSP Grant for \$9,765.00. This funding will be used to purchase and begin to outfit an Operations Level Hazmat response trailer for the County. This is grant funds.
A motion was made by Spence and seconded by Bush to approve the additional for EOC. All in favor, motion carried.
PHPER. This additional appropriation request is grant funds to set up the 2018-2019 grant line item. A motion was made by Spence and seconded by Dreher to approve the additional for PHPER. All in favor, motion carried.
Vermillion County Parks & Recreation. This additional appropriation request is for \$22,509.74 for the additional employee for the parks & recreation department. A motion was made by Dreher and seconded by Dunavan to approve the additional for the Parks & Recreation Department out of Certified Shares. All in favor, except Bush who abstained. Motion carried.
- IX. **Open Issues**
 - a. **Sheriff/Deputy Pension Fund Investments.** Sheriff Mike Phelps said the merit board chose Old National for the Sheriff/Deputy Pension Fund Investments.

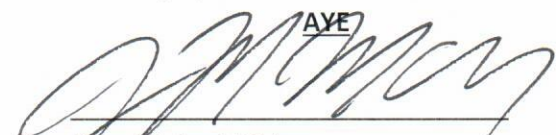
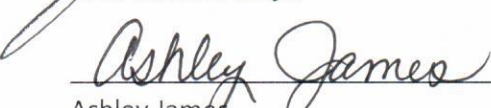
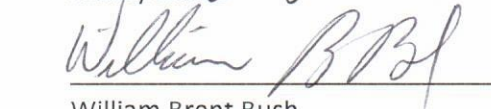
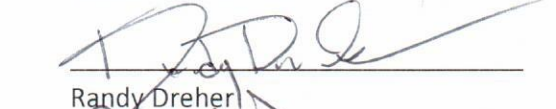
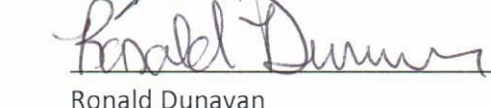
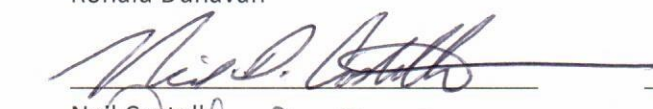

Phelps said Old National manages several other counties and made money for all of them. A motion was made by Bush and seconded by Dreher to approve the recommendations of the merit board. All in favor, except Spence who abstained because he is a former sheriff and receives a pension. Motion carried.

X. New Business

- a. County Website.** Commissioner Tim Yocum told the Council that a meeting would be held tomorrow for officeholders regarding possible upgrades to the county's website. He said the intension is to improve the quality of the site and make it more user friendly, so that officeholders can update their own pages on the site, rather than having someone else do it for them. There was discussion on how it would be paid for and Major suggested that it could be paid for by Economic Development.
- b. County Board Members - Payment.** There was discussion on the boards that are paid, if they are paid for only meetings attended or for all meetings. It was suggested to only pay for meetings attended. A motion was made by Dunavan and seconded by Dreher to pay board members for only meetings attended. All in favor, motion carried.
- c. County Handbook.** It was stated that there would be a joint Council and Commissioners Handbook meeting after the next council meeting.
- d. Treasurer's Office Cash Drawer.** Treasurer Florinda Pruitt requested to increase her cash on hand from \$500.00 to \$700.00 dollars. A motion was made by James and seconded by Bush to approve the request. All in favor, motion carried.
- e. Recorders Office Cash Drawer.** Recorder Jennifer Peebles requested to increase her cash on hand from \$50.00 to \$100.00. A motion was made by Dreher and seconded by Dunavan to approve the request. All in favor, motion carried.
- f. Economic Development Appointment.** Major resigned from the Economic Development Board. A motion was made by Major to appoint Dreher to the Economic Development Board, seconded by Spence. All in favor, motion carried.

XI. Adjourn

Having no further business to come before the Council, the motion was made to adjourn by Bush, seconded by Spence. All in favor, motion carried.

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 _____ John Michael Major	_____
 _____ Ashley James	_____
 _____ William Brent Bush	_____
 _____ Randy Dreher	_____
 _____ Ronald Dunavan	_____
 _____ Neil Costello	_____
 _____ Robert Spence	_____

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Amy Tolbert", is written over a horizontal line.

Amy Tolbert, Auditor