

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE PERRY COUNTY COMMISSION MET in its regular session on Tuesday, October 24, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. at the Albert Turner, Sr. Courthouse Annex in the commission courtroom. The invocation was led by Albert Turner. The roll was called to establish a quorum. District #1: Present District #2: Present; District #3: Absent; District #4: Present; District #5: Present.

Motion by Brett Harrison and seconded by Anthony Long to adopt the agenda. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Brett Harrison and seconded by Anthony Long to adopt the minutes. **Motion carried.**

CLERK REPORT

Motion by Brett Harrison seconded by Anthony Long to approve a Memorandum of Understanding Agreement between the Commission and the Perry County School Board to accept \$12,000 from the School Board to share in the cost of Perry County ambulance service. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Brett Harrison and seconded by Anthony Long to accept \$20,000 in grant funds on behalf of the County as a member of the Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) County Recovery Consortium, established to support the long-term recovery efforts of Hurricanes Sally and Zeta. The purpose of the grant award is specifically for employee staff time expended directly on the planning process. Therefore, entering into the Local Recovery Planning Program (LRPP) Grant Agreement with the Association of County Commissions (ACCA) to provide CDBG-DR funding to support MID counties. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Brett Harrison and seconded by Benjamin Eaton to approve the motion to table the request until next Commission meeting from the Perry County Water Authority to reduce their American Rescue Fund allocation from \$60,000 to \$37,396, the actual cost to repair the pump at Well No. 3. **Motion failed.**

Motion by Benjamin Eaton and seconded by Brett Harrison to approve the motion to table the request from the Perry County Water Authority to reduce their American Rescue Fund allocation from \$60,000 to \$37,396, the actual cost to repair the pump at Well No. 3. **Two yes; One nay; One abstention.**

Motion carried.

Motion by Anthony Long and seconded by Brett Harrison to accept the bid from Reynolds to repair the air condition/heating unit in the jury room for the amount of \$4,850. **Motion carried.**

ITEM #12: E911 Appointment:

Motion by Anthony Long and seconded by Benjamin Eaton to make a temporary appointment to the E911 Board until permanent appointment is given to District 3 Commissioner Brett Harrison. **Motion withdrawn.**

Secondary Motion by Anthony Long and seconded by Benjamin Eaton to appoint District 3 Commissioner Brett Harrison to filled the unexpired term of Mr. Dozier on the Perry County E911 Board. **Motion carried.**

ITEM #11: Advertising of Local Bill Increasing Coroner's Pay:

Motion by Brett Harrison and seconded by Cedric Hudson to pay for the advertisement of a local bill increasing the Coroner's salary to \$12,000. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Brett Harrison and seconded by Cedric Hudson to pay for the advertisement of a local bill for a \$7,500 expense account that will rollover into a permanent increase of the coroner's salary at the beginning of the coroner's next term.

Secondary Motion by Benjamin Eaton and seconded by Brett Harrison to table the discussion to increase the coroner's expense account. **Motion carried.**

ENGINEERING/EMA REPORT:

Motion by Anthony Long and seconded by Brett Harrison that a single purchase order will apply only to an item of its original request. **Motion withdrawn.**

Motion by Brett Harrison and seconded by Anthony Long to advertise for two full time heavy equipment operator. **Motion carried.**

ATTORNEY REPORT

Motion by Brett Harrison and seconded by Benjamin Eaton to approve the Memorandum of Understanding Agreement between Commission and the 4th Judicial Circuit District Attorney's office to appropriate an annual amount not exceed \$50,000 renewable each year in support of the investigative program. **Motion carried.**

ITEM #9: Hiring a Class A Truck Driver:

Motion by Brett Harrison and seconded by Anthony Long to hire Lloyd Martin as a Class A CDL Truck Driver full time with benefits at \$18 per hour, beginning the next pay period. **Motion carried.**

ITEM #10: Passage of 2023 – 2024 Fiscal Year Budget:

Motion by Brett Harrison and seconded by Anthony Long to continue with the Fiscal Year 2022 – 2023 budget until a new budget is passed. **Motion carried.**

ITEM #12: Claims:

Motion by Anthony Long and seconded by Albert Turner to pay the claims. **Motion Carried.** Nea: Benjamin Eaton

Meeting was adjourned.