

Owen County Board of Commissioners
Minutes-June 5, 2023

Meeting was called to order by President Gary Burton with the Pledge of Allegiance and Opening Prayer given. Members Present: Gary Burton, Bob Curry, and Joel Lowe. Also, attorney Dana Kerr and auditor Sheila Reeves. Public Sign in sheet attached for permanent record.

A motion to approve the minutes from May was made by Curry; seconded by Lowe. Motion carried 3-0.

A motion to approve Payroll-\$262,139.33/258,538.22 was made by Lowe; seconded by Curry. Carried 3-0.

A motion to approve Regular Claims-\$1,242,197.57 was made by Curry seconded by Lowe. Carried 3-0.

A motion to approve Out of Cycle Claims-\$83,565.13 was made by Curry; seconded by Lowe. Carried 3-0.

Copies of the Payroll, Absence Balances, Monthly LOW Financial Report and Docket Summary were provided for review. Also, presented was the June Settlement and Supplemental Settlement.

Old Business-None

New Business-

AT&T Phone Bills-Reeves reviewed current bills and requested permission to work with the company and have any unused numbers and equipment turned off. A motion was made to allow her to proceed was made by Curry; seconded by Lowe. Carried 3-0.

HICOM Repair Bills had been received due to recent multiple department phones being down. Reeves asked for direction on where to pay for them from as they were not part of the individual office's regular budgets. It was agreed to pay for them from General 1000-----. She also explained that was another part of the need to review current companies as there were four departments with four different phone companies.

Dormant Funds Review-Reeves presented a list of funds that are dormant and still need to be closed and the monies moved to various funds. Most will be transferred to the General. She will work with Attorney Kerr to create multiple resolutions that is required to be approved by the County Council.

Highway Department-Greg Melton & Chad Walker

-Concord Road has been turned over to contractors

-Hole patchers are out working in each of their districts

-He requested for the Attorney to prepare an Ordinance for the use of horses and horse drawn carriages on county roads due to damages, even on newly paved roads. Kerr will have it prepared for review on June 21st.

-He requested for an Ordinance to prohibit truck traffic or tonnage on certain roads