

Warren County Commissioners Public Meeting
October 23, 2024, 12:10 p.m.
Jackson Courtroom

Commissioner Kenneth Klakamp called the public hearing to order. Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin and Commissioner Daniel Glotz were present.

Staff Present: Pamela Matve, Chief Clerk, Holly Wescott, Director of Finance, Michael Lyon, Director of Planning & Zoning, Benjamin Mahaffey, Zoning Officer, Josh Cotton, Grant Writer, and Krystle Ransom, Director of Elections

Citizens Present: Dani Flasher, Jane Dunshie, Shelly Teska, Kevin Seelinger, Robin Seelinger, Helen Rosequist, Sharon Albrecht, and Susan Stout (LWV).

Announcements: Commissioner Kenneth Klakamp announced that this meeting is being recorded.

Executive meetings held since the last meeting: None

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: Krystle Ransom, Director of Elections stated that she would like to take this time to review elections.

The last day to register was October 21st. She ran a report that showed there is an increase of 427 voters, and she and Margia have processed 1,023 changes; whether it be address changes, party changes etc. She has sent out approximately 3000 ballots and the return rate are about 50%.

Susan Stout of the League of Women Voters stated that they did an experiment and mailed out 160 voter packets to see how long it took for them to get back. The average was 2.9 days, the longest was 29 days, and one took 60 days.

Shelly Teska of the Youngsville Library, was there to again thank the Commissioners for their support of all the libraries, and to remind people that they offer more than just books; they have a variety of programs for all age groups.

Consent Agenda

Minutes from the October 9, 2024, public meeting and public hearing: No corrections or additions to be made.

Finance Report: Holly Wescott, Director of Finance stated she is happy to report that we have paid off our Tax Anticipation Note two months early saving \$43,000.00 in interest.

She stated that of the total tax bills sent out of \$11,587,159.00, we have collected over 9 million.

Commissioner Kenneth Klakamp asked what the interest rate on our TAN was and Holly stated 6.5% with the bank holding \$500,000.00 in collateral. In 2024 the bank also requested we take the entire amount at once, therefore, we had to start paying interest on those funds.

Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin confirmed that we paid approximately \$200,000.00 just in interest.

Proclamation(s): Veteran's Day

A motion was made by Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin, seconded by Commissioner Daniel Glotz to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

CDBG Documentation: Danielle Flasher, CDBG Grants Admin. stated that the following resolutions and language plan must be adopted when applying for the CDBG funds.

Resolution #3273 supporting Minority and Women-Owned Businesses, Resolution #3274 Authorizing the Application for the 2024 CDBG funds, Resolution #3275 Section 3 Plan, Resolution #3276 Fair Housing, and the Four Factor Analysis and Language Access Plan, this is why you will see posting notices in the paper in German.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daniel Glotz, seconded by Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin to approve all the documents above as presented for the 2024 CDBG application. The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance #265 Rezoning from R1 to I: A motion was made by Commissioner Daniel Glotz, seconded by Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin to approve Ordinance #265 as presented at the public hearing as this is an extension of an existing industrial area. The motion carried unanimously.

Appointment to the Land Preservation Board: Commissioner Daniel Glotz stated that this board runs through the Conservation District for which he is a board member. The Land Preservation Board deals with the farm land in the county trying to preserve it. Ron LaBarte is a Farmington Twp. resident and supervisor and is interested in being part of the board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daniel Glotz seconded by Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin to appoint Ron Labarte to the Land Preservation Board for a three-year term, beginning immediately through December 31, 2027. The motion carried unanimously.

Appointments to the Conservation District Board for 2025: Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin stated that it is time to appoint a new Farmer and Public Director for the Conservation District board for a four-year term beginning January 1, 2025 and run through December, 31, 2028. Along with this we must nominate the commissioner representative who has a one-year term.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin, seconded by Commissioner Daniel Glotz to approve the following nominations to the State; Farmer Director, Larry Upton, Public Director, David Miller, and Commissioner Director Commissioner Daniel Glotz. The motion carried unanimously.

OVD Cyber Security Agreement: Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin stated that this is a renewal of our cyber security insurance program.

Am Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin, seconded by Commissioner Daniel Glotz to approve the proposal and counselor agreement with OVD. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Comments : Commissioner Daniel Glotz took a moment to welcome Josh Cotton to the county staff as the new Grant Writer.

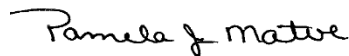
Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin thanked the League of Women Voters for all their hard work and the report that was presented today.

Commissioner Kenneth Klakamp announced the Veteran's Day Dinner to be held on November 11, 2024 for Veterans and their families.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Commissioner Daniel Glotz, seconded by Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela J. Matve
Chief Clerk



Approved:



Daniel Glotz
Warren County Commissioner