

**MINUTES  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MONTHLY MEETING  
MONDAY, January 3, 2022  
5:30 p.m.  
ROE CONFERENCE ROOM**

PRESENT: R. Kent Snider, Mark Peter, Dave Bellis, Bret Austin, Barbara Fletcher

ABSENT: N/A

OTHER: Todd Eyler, Gary Farha, David McCleery, Travis Cooley, Steve Demoss, Ryan Hinkamper, John Simon, Rich Wagner, Anthony Foster, Jessica Frese, Caitlin Waterman, Chris Turner.

5:33 pm meeting was convened.

The committee reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. Bret Austin moved to approve them as written, seconded by Barbara Fletcher. The minutes were approved.

**Speaker –**

**a) Bella Ease – ACE Program; Chris Turner**

- a. Mr. Turner spoke about the current ACE program that is in place. Adams County had 29 referrals; and 19 of them have made contact .8 of them have been placed in jobs. This is doing well. The process to choose a business is the individual writes down their top 4 companies and they will apply for all of them.

**Reports**

N/A

**Resolutions**

N/A

**New Business**

**A. Union Negotiations**

- a. All Union Negotiations were cruising along smoothly until the health insurance increase went out. The County is still paying 90% of the premium and the employee is still responsible for 10%.
- B. Levy – There was a correctio made on the levy for the budget. It doesn't effect any money , but the full board will vote on the amended levy on Tuesday.

**C. ARPA Projects**

- a. **Second part of the money comes in May or June.**
- b. Mill Creek Water – Line Replacement request
  - i. Mill Creek is asking for around \$220,000 of ARPA funds for a new upgraded water system. They have around 6200 customers.
- c. Jeremy Wingerter from United Way updated Mr. Austin on how choosing the non-profits funds will be dispersed 26 original applications. 4 were

kicked back right away as they did not qualify. 8 are ready to move on. 6 are needing to verify the information. 9 more they need to look into.

- d. County Clerk – Voting tabulators
  - i. Mr. Niekamps office is requesting \$258,000 for new voting tabulators. The ones we are using now are 18 years old. The committee agrees to take this to finance.
- e. Elevator – OTIS
  - i. The elevator on the west side of the Courthouse is currently out of service and we will need to hire back Court Security Officers in case they need to help anyone up and down the stairs for meetings. There was also a request for shelving in the Jail to solve some filing issues; however nothing has been sent to bellweather.
- f. In Car Computers and Jail Van – Sheriff
  - i. Currently waiting on quotes.
- g. Courthouse Digital Solutions – Judicial
  - i. Scott Larson received a quote from Marketplace City for a total of \$205,000.

**D. Adams County Health Department HVAC**

- a. Still having quotes and continuous billing come in.

**E. Proposed OPIOD Settlement through IL Attorney General's Office**

- a. We will be getting some money. No further updates. Gary recommends taking this to the full board. Bret Austin makes a motion to take it to the full board. Mark Peter seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**F. IL Prison Money**

- a. We are sitting on around \$14,000 (around \$35 per day per inmate). Just waiting on the check to arrive.

**G. Job Description – Director of Human Resources**

- a. The Executive Committee has decided to let Matt Obert, County Board Member chair this Search committee in the replacement of Sue Hester. The plan is to have someone hired within 90 days.

**H. Executive Session**

- a. A motion to go into executive session was made by Dave Bellis. Seconded by Barbara Fletcher. Motion passed. Executive Session started at 6:30.

**End of Minutes**