

## Floyd County Commissioner & Council Joint Meeting

### Minutes

February 17, 2023

11:00 A.M.

Pineview Government Center

Commissioners Meeting Room #104

Tim Kamer called the meeting to order and led the *Pledge of Allegiance*

Tim Kamer led the invocation

**Present:** Commissioners-Full quorum

County Council-Full quorum

**Also Present:** Auditor, Diana Topping; Sheriff, Steve Bush and Judge, Carrie Stiller

#### **1. JRAC Presentation - Matching Grant**

Judge Carrie Stiller, chairperson for JRAC (Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council), and Ann Carruthers, Systems of Care, gave an overview of the program.

Connie Moon stated the amount received from the Opioid settlement was \$846,560.98.

**Motion to distribute the full amount from the Opioid settlement to the JRAC program.**

**Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by Al Knable. Motion passed unanimously.**

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**Moved by Tony Toran. Seconded by Danny Short. Motion passed unanimously.**

#### **2. Building Project**

##### **a. Justice Center – Discussion**

Tim Kamer discussed other financing options in place of relying solely on tax increases.

Danny Short proposed moving the project to Design Build Operate. He discussed other options for the judicial center at a lower cost to the taxpayers.

The Council and Commissioners commented on their opinions and concerns on the building projects.

**Motion to table Resolution of Floyd County Council to Advance Design and Construction for both the renovation and its conversion into a Judicial Center, not to exceed 60 days. Moved by Dale Bagshaw. Seconded by Danny Short. Motion passed 4-3. Denise Konkle, Brad Striegel and Tony Toran opposed.**

##### **b. Grantline Rd – Administration Building**

#### **Future Agenda Items**

1. Storm water - new rate proposal
2. ARP Remaining moneys and plan
3. Animal Shelter – Where to go from here
4. EMS – Future Plan

### Public

Aaron Combs, Building Authority, there will still be cost for utilities and upkeep even if the building is vacant during renovations.

Bill Fender, Building Authority, stated the building needs a lot of improvements that aren't going away. At this time there is no commitment from the County and asked them to respectfully endorse this and make a commitment.

Judge Carrie Stiller stated moving the court rooms has never been discussed with the Judges. She asked why they are spending money on temporary court rooms when they could build now for the future. Pineview is not an option for temporary court rooms. The courts have security guidelines.

Auditor, Diana Topping, stated there are issues with having the administrative offices at a location away from the City County Building. The Auditor's offices interact with the courts and other offices daily. Locating the Auditor's office away from downtown would cause an expense and have security concerns. The current plans are not a 2050 Justice Center.

Scott Stewart stated the Building Authority has no confidence in the current bodies to move forward.

Sheriff, Steve Bush, there are security concerns with moving the courts. He asked to be included in the decisions.

Charlie Moon, Franklin Township, thanked Council Persons Moon, Short, Bagshaw and Freiburger for listening to the tax payers before making a vote on the resolution.

**Motion to adjourn. Moved by Dale Bagshaw. Seconded by Tony Toran. Motion passed unanimously.**

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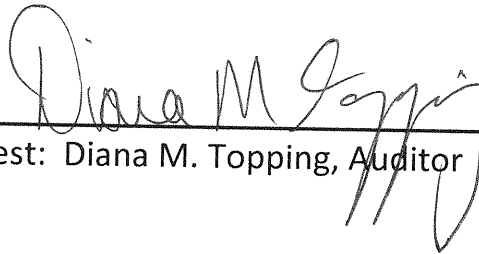
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John Schellenberger, Commissioner



Attest: Diana M. Topping, Auditor

**FLOYD COUNTY COUNCIL**



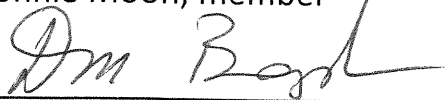
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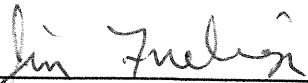
Connie Moon, member



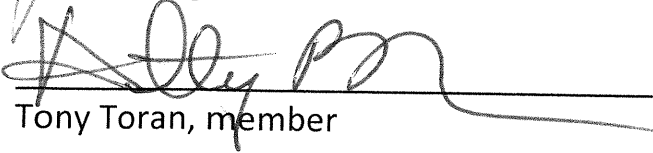
Dale Bagshaw, member



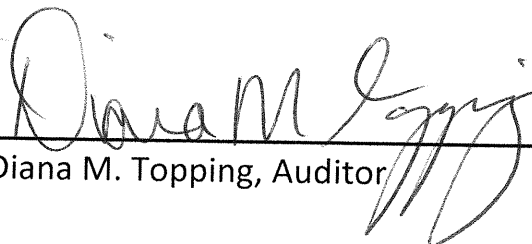
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Jim Freiberger, member



Tony Toran, member



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