

Ballard County Fiscal Court
November 4, 2024
5:00 PM

Chip Bisson

Welcome: Todd Cooper, Judge Executive
Roll Call: Ryan Hedrick, Jody Brown, Stonnie Dennis, Chip Bisson
Absent: Nathan Whipple
Prayer: Ryan Hedrick, Chaplain
Pledge: Todd Cooper

Motion to approve the October 15, 2024 Fiscal Court Minutes and to forego the public reading made by Chip Bisson second by Jody Brown and unanimous on vote.

Road

The contractor for Bethlehem Church Road Bridge #32 has requested a change order because the original plan called for 6 ft abutments and 12 ft abutments were necessary. ***Motion by Chip Bisson second by Jody Brown to accept the change order with the intent to negotiate the best price for services rendered. Motion carried 3 yes- 1 nay.***

Tod Vance reported that Fraser Road will be opened November 5, 2024. The bridge for Bethlehem Church Road will be delivered on November 18, 2024 and that Gum Corner Road is open. He also reported that there has been some progress determining what is wrong with the Mo-Trim and an Engineer from South Dakota will be in the county to look at it.

Motion made by Jody Brown and second by Chip Bisson unanimous on vote to declare the steel removed from Gum Corner Road project as surplus property.

The Court will wait for a petition from the residents of West Walnut Street before considering the request for speed bumps.

Sheriff

Sheriff was present with no business to transact. Property tax collections are still ongoing.

Dispatch

No updates were given at this meeting.

EMS

Motion made by Jody Brown second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to allow up to \$3500.00 for 3 mattress and box spring sets to be purchased for base 1 in LaCenter.

Jail

No update given.

Solid Waste

No update given

OEM

Travis advised the court of potential purchase a 10-unit dog kennel with inside and outside runs made out of metal shipping container for the Ballard Animal Shelter. The purchase includes a 10X6 storage unit that is plumbed and has heating and air along with a carport. Eric Williams of LaCenter is the person who is selling the kennel.

Motion made by Chip Bisson second by Jody Brown and unanimous on vote to purchase the complete dog kennel from Williams for \$12,500.

Treasurer

Motion made by Jody Brown second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to pay bills, pending audit.

Motion by Chip Bisson second by Jody Brown unanimous on vote to approve Cash Transfers, pending audit.

Motion by Jody Brown second by Chip Bisson and unanimous on vote to approve Budget Amendment #1 (unexpected revenue).

County Attorney

No business to bring before the Court.

County Clerk

A reminder to vote in the General Election on November 5, 2024.

County Finance/HR

Angela has been working on this grant opportunity for several years and Ballard County is finally eligible to file for a Community Development Block Grant thru the Department of Local Government.

Motion made by Chip Bisson second by Jody Brown and unanimous on vote to approve Resolution 24-11-04-01 that authorizes the Fiscal Court to file a 2024 CDBG Application to help with housing in Ballard County.

Motion by Stonnie Dennis second by Jody Brown and unanimous on vote to allow 4 surplus flag poles to be put up for public bid.

Motion to adjourn made by Chip Bisson second by Jody Brown and unanimous on vote.