

Norton Co Board of Commissioners

December 16, 2024

Convene

Commissioner Garrett Beydler called the meeting of the Norton Co Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 AM on December 16, 2024 at the Commission Room. Attendance: Richard Thompson, Present; Garrett Beydler, Present; Marvin Matchett, Present.

Executive Session

An executive session was called by Chairman Garrett Beydler at 9:10 am for a period of ten (10) minutes for the purpose of non-elected personnel and to include the County Clerk Robert D. Wyatt and Attorney elect, Abigail Horn. The motion was given a second by Commissioner Matchett. Motion passed. The commission returned to regular session at 9:20 am with no action taken.

County Attorney Building

The commission reviewed bids submitted for a new or replacement roof at the Norton County Attorney building. Two bids were submitted. The bids included options of fiber board with EPDM rubber roofing, remove and repair with TPO roofing and to replace with a pitched roof. No final decision was made on the roof at this time.

County Health

Leslie Pfannenstiel reported department operations to the commission. Included in the report was staffing and looking into replacement of the firewall and server at the department.

Leslie informed the commission that they have been doing some lighting replacement at the county health. Leslie stated they are replacing the old lighting with new LED lights.

Staff will be participating in a required KDHE course/drill in Colby on January 9th, 2025.

County Treasurer

Kathy Carlin was in visiting with the commission on recommendations from the recent audit performed by Mapes & Miller. The commission wanted to review the area's outlined in the audit that needed to be addressed.

Added Tax Statements

Added tax statements #2024001186 through 2024001192 were presented to the commission for signature. The statements were added for late filing of intangible taxes, The added statements were approved as submitted.

Adam Zerr

Adam Zerr called to speak with the commission on a road concern. Adam stated that he would like Road E7 viewed north of US 36 and also reported illegal dumping in the same area.

Mid month checks

Mid month checks were presented to the commission for approval. Upon review the checks were signed and approved,

Road Department

Terry Laughlin, Norton Road Department provided quotes for gravel that maybe needed by the county. Three quotes were provided, however no decision was made on purchase.

Terry spoke with the commission on CDL training and the cost to provide. The best option for the dollars is if the county has at least 4 operators needing the CDL. Also discussed was rebuilding the older machines at the department VS dealing with mechanical issues due to emissions on newer equipment.

Sheriff Thomson

Sheriff Troy Thomson presented to the commission a "Memorandum of Understanding" that was drafted by the City of Norton for the impound lot. The Understanding would be agreement for the responsibilities, disposition and terms of the impound lot. Troy gave the commission the history of the lot and how it was originally developed and funded. The commission and Troy discussed the options available for the County.

November 27th, 2024 minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Thompson to approve the November 27th, 2024 minutes with a second from Chairman Beydler. Motion passed.

December 9th, 2024 minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Matchett to approve the December 9th, 2024 minutes with a second from Chairman Beydler. Motion passed.

COL 2025

A motion was made by Commissioner Thompson to approve a 3% COL raise for full time employee of Norton County for 2025. The motion was give a second by Commissioner Matchett. Motion passed 3-0.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned until 12/16/2024. The commission minutes are not considered official until signed and approved by the commission and will remain a working document until approved,