

Building and Grounds

Minutes

December 6, 2023

The Building and Grounds Committee of the Piatt County Board met Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 104 of the Piatt County Courthouse. The meeting was called to order by Jerry Edwards. Attending: Paul Foran. Kathleen Piatt. Also attending were Sheriff Mark Vogelzang, Doug Winder, Jamie Trybom, Tony Kirkman, Darlene Baker, Jennifer Harper, Eric Seibring and Keri Nusbaum.

Minutes of the November 1, 2023 meeting were presented.

Motion: Foran made motion, seconded by Piatt to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2023 meeting as written. On voice vote, all in favor.

Public Comments There were no public comments.

The November 2023 claims were reviewed.

Motion: Piatt made motion, seconded by Foran, to approve the November claims for \$56,701.58. Roll was called, all in favor and the motion carried.

Public Safety Building

Doug Winder provided an emailed summary of work completed.

Piatt County Office Building

Winder updated the committee on the HVAC project. A part time janitorial position was added to the budget for 2024, but no supplies were included. Winder asked how that should be handled. The committee asked Winder to pursue hiring a service or an individual to fill that need.

Eric Seibring reported that the highway department had paid for a new firewall for the systems at the building, and requests that the department be reimbursed.

Motion: Piatt made motion, seconded by Foran, to reimburse the highway department for the expenses involved in the new firewall for the office building. Roll was called, all in favor and the motion carried.

Courthouse

Winder reported that he and the contractor have been working on some issues with the new HVAC system. Units in some areas of the courthouse are not heating.

Mental Health

Tony Kirkman reported that Mental Health was able to replace a PC with a community foundation ECI grant. Snow removal for the winter is in place. He asked about getting some exterior cameras on their building. There was an attempted robbery at the bank next door, and video surveillance would have been beneficial. There is also concern about the new owners of adjacent property using the mental health parking lot, and the drive to Piattran as access.

Transportation

Jami Trybom reiterated the need for external cameras at the mental health/transportation building. She also talked about problems with the new owner of the property behind the building. There is a hunting blind constructed there, and concern about possible stray shots from hunters. There have

also been times that access has been blocked by trucks parked on the transportation department driveway.

Safety concerns – There are two dead branches on trees in the parkway at the office building. Winder will contact the city about taking care of that.

The next meeting will be on January 3, 2024.

Motion: Foran made motion, seconded by Piatt to adjourn. On voice vote, all in favor and the meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Nusbaum
Piatt County Zoning Officer/Secretary Piatt County Board