

Human Resources and Planning Committee

October 11, 2018

The Human Resources and Planning Committee met on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the McDonough County Courthouse in the Law Library. Committee members in attendance included Chairman George Dixon, Mike Cox, Travis Hiel, Letha Clark, Ed Lavin. Committee members Dave Nissen, Alice Henry, and Digger Oster were absent. Others in attendance included Patrick Stout, Kelsey Havens, Bonnie Scripps, Karen Blakely, Eric Blakely, Sara Kluthe, County Chairman Scott Schwerer, and Stacey Alexander was present as Committee Secretary.

Chairman George Dixon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Review & Approval of September 13, 2018 Minutes

Member Cox moved with a second by Member Clark to approve the September 13, 2018 minutes as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Animal Control Report

Animal Control Officer Kelsey Havens gave the report. The total number of Dogs in the shelter at the end of September was 10 and Cats was 40. The shelter now has hot water.

The Chris Brix Challenge is underway. There will be a newsletter next week and they are working on the building planning and funding for a new shelter.

Chairman Dixon announced the Sheriff's Department will be providing the animal shelter with an inmate to help them daily in caring for the animals. The problem with the floors peeling up has been looked into, there is no concern that the animals are in danger because of it. Another \$21,000 has been received from the Yeasts estate. Animal Control has been receiving calls from 911 late at night, County Chairman Schwerer will address this with the 911 Board as they are only to be receiving night calls for dangerous animals or if the animal has a life threatening issue.

The contract from West Central FS, Inc has been received, if paid monthly the cost would be \$1.49/gallon or if it is prepaid in the amount of \$1,217.50 the cost per gallon would be \$1.44. Member Hiel moved with a second by Member Clark to prepay in the amount of \$1,217.50. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Policies & Procedures

The employee handbook is still a work in progress but should be complete by the end of the month.

Planning for the Future

No Report.

Report on McDonough County Groundwater Protection Education Committee

No Report.

Report on GIS Meeting

No Report.

Claims

Member Hiel moved with a second by Member Lavin to approve the claims as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Other

County Chairman Schwerer announced that the leases for the jail and the elms will be extended and that they will be at full board this month along with the application for the wind farm. He has worked with the auditor's and the cost will be \$5,000 less than last year. A discussion was held regarding Courthouse security and ways to improve it.

Member Clark moved with a second by Member Lavin that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried on a voice vote. With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.