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FEBRUARY 28TH 2023 BY DEE LOFLIN

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Presiding Commissioner Greg Mathis opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer for local elected officials and their decisions that they make daily and how it affects our county citizens

Heather Davis, new employee of the County Clerk's office, will be taking minutes at the Stoddard County Commissioners Meeting.

Katelyn Lambert, Bootheel Regional Planning Commission

Bernie potentially wanting to purchase a commercial lawnmower to mow a park in their town. The would also like to purchase a snow plow attachment for one of their city trucks in the event the region would receive inclement weather in years to come. This is covered under Government Services until the ARPA Funds and is an allowable expense.

A small business in Puxico is looking to get roof repaired/replaced on their building. they estimate it to cost around \$25,000 from ARPA monies.

Another small business has reached out to Commissioner Mathis asking about ARPA funds for small businesses.

"The current Commissioners will discuss this as we don't have a lot of funds available," commented Mathis.

The previous Commission chose only to give funds for Broadband, Water and Sewer infrastructure and not to local small businesses.

Motion to approve the minutes for Tuesday, February 21, 2023 minutes made by Commissioner Jarrell. seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All voted yes.

The 2023 Salary Schedule was distributed. This information is open to the public and can be obtained from the Stoddard County Clerk's office by request. Employees were given a 3% raise effective January 1, 2023.

Elected Officials Salaries for 2023:

Presiding Commissioner - \$49, 329.72

Associate Commissioner - \$47,329.72

Associate Commisser - \$47,329.72

County Clerk - \$67,582.46

County Treasurer/Collector - \$83,234.17

County Recorder - \$67,582.46

Prosecuting Attorney - \$150,035.00

Coroner - \$28,451.50

Assessor - \$66,964.45

Sheriff - \$90,021.00

Beau Bishop, Emergency Management Director for Stoddard County

Siren Grant was approved federal HMPG grant for \$157,500.00, The County would have to ad \$17,500.00 to match monies for a total of \$175,000 grant.

"I am currently working on the Stoddard County Hazard Mitigation Questioner," stated Bishop. "I will also be attending the NWS Spring Weather Workshop on march 1st in Paducah and then on March 2nd and 3rd I will be in Jefferson City for a MFSMA Tools of Floodplain Management. I will also be in Portageville on March 16th for an Earthquake Summit."

FEMA has announced that all COVID-19 Disaster Declaration Incident Periods will close on May 11, 2023. "I will be gathering information to finalize the closing of the Reporting Period."

"We did not receive the grant for the new truck, so we are going to table that for now," continued Bishop.

At 11:30 a.m. Commissioner Lentz made a motion to adjourn from the regular meeting and enter into Executive Session: Personnel 610.021 (13). Seconded by Commissioner Jarrell. All voted yes.

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