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FEBRUARY 20TH 2024 BY DEE LOFLIN

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The Stoddard County Commission began their weekly meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer for the Stoddard County Clerk's office, police and the farmers who are beginning their planting season.

Katelyn Lambert, Bootheel Regional Planning, ARP Funding Update

Bell City Fire Department - "They have completed their paperwork and have a bill for \$11,085.00 to help build the new fire station," commented Lambert. "This portion was to lay concrete and move electrical lines."

The amount is higher due to moving electrical lines the invoice is more than the original contract; however the amount was still within the approved ARPA funds pre-approved amount.

Motion to accept the invoice in the amount of \$11,085.00 made by Commissioner C.D. Stewart and seconded by Commissioner Carol Jarrell. All three voted yes and motion passed.

Water District #2 - They need a copy of the minutes from Water District #2 to show they voted to get the new meters. They also need to get to Mrs. Lambert some documentation itemized invoice of the meters and the canceled check that they paid for the meters. If the additional request goes over \$10,000 they will have to bid out the computers

The final acceptance of the Engineer/Consultant's Certification for acceptance and final Payment request on the CDBG Grant for the work done at the Bootheel Regional Planning office and the Commission will sign off on the portion of the final payment for Smith & Company.

Motion to sign the engineer certification and final payment to Smith & Company and the Zoellner Electric made by Commissioner Carol Jarrell and seconded by Commissioner Stewart. All three voted yes and motion passed.

Puxico Library Roof is ARPA eligible to accept as a project, according to Mrs. Lambert. The city of Puxico will need to get some paperwork to Bootheel Regional Planning and then the Commission will vote on the acceptance of ARPA funding for the new roof.

Ira Tucker, Puxico Weekly Press and private citizen

First time in history that the Puxico Weekly Press now has color. Worked as a park ranger at Wappappello Lake and was the oldest ranger in the state of Missouri.

David Scherer Bell City Fire Department

"They poured concrete today for the new fire department building. In three to four weeks they will have the building up and then the inside can be worked on and we might be in the building by the first of May, 2024 if everything goes according to plan," commented Scherer.

Motion to accept Stoddard County Road 752 Bridge Replacement (BRO-R103(075) to Smith & Co. Engineers in the amount of \$5,860.29 made by Commissioner Jarrell, seconded by Commissioner Stewart. All three voted yes and motion passed. The monies will be reimbursed to the County at 100% from the BRO Program.

Motion to accept Stoddard County Road 766 (BRO-R103(76) to Smith & Co. in the amount of \$5,500.79 to Smith & Co. for Bridge Replacement made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Commissioner Jarrell. All three voted yes and motion passed. The monies will be reimbursed to the County at 100% from the BRO Program.

Motion to accept the open session minutes from February 13th made by Commissioner C.D. Stewart, seconded by Commissioner Carol Jarrell. All three voted yes and motion passed.

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Stoddard County Commission is now accepting sealed bids on Stoddard County Drainage Ditch 13/33 and Stoddard County Drainage Ditch 14. The project will consist of mopping and cleaning out the drainage ditches as well as smoothing down the spoil piles. It will also consist of timber removal and disposal. The project consists of three main sections.

Ditch 14 - Starting at C Highway where Ditch 14 turns southeast and then continues east until it reaches Ditch 13/33. Approximately 1.65 miles.

Ditch 14 Lateral - Starting at Hwy 25 continuing east, then turning north until it meets Ditch 14. Approximately .88 miles.

Ditch 13/33 - Starting at Hwy 25 moving south and southeast, stopping at Ash slough in Sec 17, TWP 28N, Range 11E. Approximately 2.35 miles.

If anyone would like to look at or have questions of this project consisting of Drainage District 14 and 13/33 you may call C.D. Stewart at (573) 820-0991.

Motion to enter into closed session at 11:02 a.m. made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Commissioner Jarrell. All three voted yes and motion passed.

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