

BOCC Wrap-Up

June 5, 2023

9:01 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Swope, Commissioner Brummer, Commissioner Pollock, Interim County Manager Steve Wohld, Mindy Brooks, Amber Smith, Nic Scott, Meja Handlen, Matt Jaeger, Brian Warren, David Bailey, Doug Carey, Violet Barboza, Tom Stanton, Undersheriff Wes Rethwill, Kate Chatterton, Tammy Martin, Jonathan Meyer, Jonathan Meyer

Guest(s): Patty Howard, Morgan Sohl, unnamed guests

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Public comment: None.

Timberland Regional Library (TRL) Board of Trustees vacancy: The commissioners directed staff to draft a resolution to appoint Brian Mittge to the position.

911 governance attorney: Commissioner Brummer said he met with Jonathan Meyer regarding representation for the potential change of governance. He said Jonathan indicated the PA's Office wants to fill the role.

Code enforcement: Meja Handlen said the Swigert Road case has been handed to the Sheriff's Office. She and Brian Warren provided an update on Rose Marie Drive. Brian said the owner of Swigert Road continues to perform work on his property. Undersheriff Wes Rethwill said there are conversations taking place regarding the potential seizure of equipment on the Swigert Road property. Josh Metcalf discussed the work that would have to take place to seize the equipment. Josh said the Department of Ecology visited the site in May but didn't issue any citations. David Bailey said the PA's Office is planning to file for a contempt hearing. Commissioner Brummer directed staff to seize the equipment from the property or disable the equipment.

Mindy Brooks said a group is working on a new code enforcement ordinance to create regulations about RV stays.

Flag policy: Amber Smith said she has updated the flag policy.

Email policy: Amber said she has provided three versions of an email policy, one that prohibits pronouns, one that requires pronouns and a third that makes pronouns optional.

Commissioner Swope said he wants an email policy that prohibits pronouns. Commissioner Pollock said she would like pronouns to be optional. Commissioner Brummer said he would like to make pronouns optional.

Minute folders: Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve minute folders for the weeks of April 24 and May 1, 2023, Commissioner Pollock seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Correspondence: The commissioners discussed emails they received from landowners neighboring the Good Quarry. The commissioners said they understand that the mining company operated outside its approved timeframe and required notification.

Announcements / new business: None.

Meeting adjourned at 9:44 a.m.