**COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD, VERNON COUNTY**

**Wednesday, July 9, 2025, 4th July Adj.**

THE VERNON COUNTY COMMISSION MET, PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT, WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 2025, AT 9:00 A**.**M.

PRESENT: JOE WILSON, PRESIDING COMMISSIONER; CINDY THOMPSON, NORTHERN COMMISSIONER; JOHN SHORTEN, SOUTHERN COMMISSIONER;

 **DISCUSSIONS**

The Commissioners discussed events taking place at the Vernon County Youth Fair this week and the results of the improvements recently constructed at the Vernon County Fairgrounds.

 **BANKING BIDS**

Bids were opened for banking, payment collection, investment services and data transmission. The County received bids from Arvest Bank, Metz Banking Company, and Community National Bank.

Commissioner Thompson made a motion to accept the banking bid from Community National Bank. Commissioner Shorten seconded the motion. All voted yes to approve.

Letters of Acceptance and Refusal were mailed out to the bidders. Checks received in the amount of $10,000 as earnest money were returned to Arvest Bank, Metz Banking Company and Community National Bank.

 **NRLLB**

Commissioner Wilson shared that he was contacted by a representative of Monarch Bio Energy in regard to donating money to an organization in the county as a thank you to the county for completing the Methane Project that took place in 2023 and 2024. He received information that Monarch Bio Energy gave a $2000 grant to Nevada Recreational Little League Baseball.

 **ROAD AND BRIDGE**

Mike Reasoner, Road and Bridge Foreman, visited with the Commissioners about issues at the Vernon County Fairgrounds, work being done on a bridge in Montevallo, a culvert near the railroad on Charlot Road that needs attention, a culvert in Blue Mound Township that needs repaired, and a bridge on Arnold Road that will need replaced.

 **COUNTY CLERK**

Adrienne Lee, County Clerk, met with the Commissioners to discuss employee matters.

 **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

The Commissioners held their weekly meeting with Tina Cochran of Golden Heartland, LLC, Economic Developer, to discuss plans for the future. Among the discussions were properties inside the city limits, meetings that were held last week, meetings that will be held later today and next week, the reformation of an Enhanced Enterprise Zone board that last met in 2019, and an Ordinance that pertains to the Enhanced Enterprise Zone. Erik Sommer, Business Manager, also attended the meeting.

 **SBA**

Commissioner Wilson received a call from Chris Gaut with SEMA, regarding setting up an office in the Courthouse for 2-3 weeks to collect applications for individual assistance through SBA for tornado damages that occurred on April 2nd.

 **LEGAL**

The Commissioners placed a teleconference call to Travis Elliott of Ellis, Ellis, Hammons and Johnson, P.C., to discuss several matters including the Board of Equalization hearings and an update on the progress of the disincorporation of Harwood. Adrienne Lee, County Clerk, and Erik Sommer, County Business Manager, also attended the meeting.

  **FAIRGROUNDS**

The Commission received an email request for use of the arena at the fairgrounds for a goat roping benefit for Grady Daniels on Saturday, August 16th. Commissioner Shorten made a motion to approve the use of the arena on Saturday, August 16th for a goat roping benefit for Grady Daniels. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. All voted yes to approve.

 **ADJOURN**

Ordered that Commission adjourn at 3:47 p.m. until Tuesday, July 15, 2025.

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