

## **Caldwell County Commission**

Caldwell County Courthouse

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### **CALDWELL COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING**

Tuesday, December 24, 2024

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Akey called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

#### **2. ROLL CALL**

Presiding Commissioner Dale Akey – present

Western Commissioner Rex Hibler – present

Eastern Commissioner Jonathan Abbott – absent

Also Present- Jamy Aubrey, Clerk

Randy Howell, Citizen

#### **3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE**

#### **4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES**

Commissioner Hibler moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Akey seconded the motion. Both Commissioner Akey and Commissioner Hibler voted in favor. The motion passed.

Commissioner Akey moved to approve the December 17 and 20, 2024 meeting minutes. Commissioner Hibler seconded the motion. Commissioner Akey-yes; Commissioner Hibler-yes. The motion passed.

#### **5. REGULAR AGENDA**

Julie Hill, Recorder met with commissioners.

Commissioner Hibler moved to go into closed session to discuss personnel matters, and that all records and votes, to the extent permitted by law, pertaining to and/or resulting from this closed meeting be closed under Section 610.021, subsection (3).

Commissioner Akey seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, Commissioner Akey-yes; Commissioner Hibler-yes. The motion passed.

##### **CLOSED SESSION**

Commissioner Hibler moved to go out of closed session. Commissioner Akey seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, Commissioner Akey-yes; Commissioner Hibler-yes. The motion passed.

Bob Witmer, Courthouse Security Guard met with the commission.

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Mark Merrill, Emergency Management/Planning & Zoning and the commissioners discussed Emergency Management grant information. They discussed adding a cell phone for Planning & Zoning to the county Verizon government contract. The phone would be free, and it would cost \$50 per month for an unlimited text and data plan. Mark reported he had been in contact with Diversified Security about moving the control panel for the courthouse distress buttons from the sheriff's office to the courthouse.

Clint Mitchell and Todd Brown from Bank Northwest met with commissioners to extend holiday wishes to the commission.

Terry Rumery met with commissioners to discuss Economic Development for the county.

Commissioners discussed a county grant policy to be signed in January.


Newly elected officials, Sheriff Mitch Allen, Coroner Dana Brown; Eastern District Commissioner Randy Howell, and Western District Commissioner Rex Hibler took their oath of office in the courtroom of the courthouse.

Coroner Dana Brown met with the commission to discuss the 2025 budget. Dana stated that state autopsies are increasing from \$2500 to \$2700, and the 2025 budget will need to reflect the increase.

Commissioners will meet at 8:30 Monday through Friday in the commission room at the courthouse the first two weeks in January to work on the 2025 Budget.

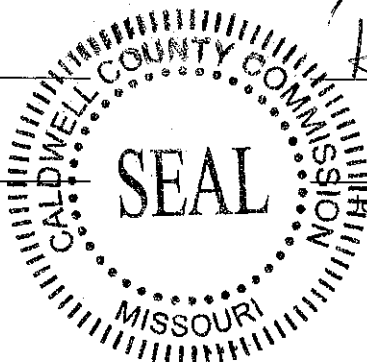
**ADJOURNMENT**

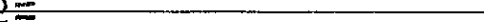
With no other business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

  
Dale Akey, Presiding Commissioner

  
Rex Hibler, Western Commissioner

  
Jamy Aubrey, Clerk to the Commission



  
Jonathan Abbott, Eastern Commissioner