Minutes of Washington County Zoning/EMA/Environmental Committee September 1st, 2025

Those present were Dave Karg, Eric Malick, Dan Bronke and Paul Todd Dave Meier

Called to order 18:04

Minutes of the last meeting were approved with a motion by Dan and seconded by Eric Financials for the month were presented motion by Paul and seconded by Eric

Zoning

Matt brought up that ZBA would like ordinance to set fees and requirements for residential solar both Roof and ground mount. Discussion was leave as is for now.

Matt explained that New Minden has created an ordinance creating a moratorium on all ground mount residential in their village limits. Does not think it was done right or allowed. Matt was instructed to work with States Attorney and send letter if they cannot do that. Discussion was done about upcoming BESS ordinance and if we could put moratorium on BESS until State figures out what it wants. Matt passed along that council does not recommend that and to pass what we have and then change what is needed. If we wait we start over.

EMA

It was reported that EMA would have Victoria at the wheat festival to support law enforcement.

Matt explained that there are a couple things left to get operational on Victoria one being the mast that has the camera on it. He said there is a place in St. Louis that can look at it and possibly repair it. Would cost \$350 dollars just to bring tech here. He was told to take it there to see what was wrong. Will be done towards end of October into November.

Matt explained that the Coroner would like to put a morgue in the garage that belongs to EMA. Matt was ok with this as it would take up very little space in the corner.

Matt Reported that the National Weather Service has honored Washington County by designating them a Storm Ready Community. This is a honor and takes a lot of hard work to obtain. There are several things that must be met to earn this designation. The Washington County EMA has worked hard to earn this. They will be presenting this award at the next County Board meeting.

Safety

Matt replaced the no smoking and no firearms stickers on the doors of the Court House per Eric Brammier request. They are off the windows and on the metal part of the door now and not causing obstruction of the glass.

Dave Meier gave his concerns about meeting on holidays. He was advised it was a regular scheduled meeting and did not violate the OMA. He still prefers we do not do it. During the discussion it was decided to add a 5th person to the committee to help with having a quorum.

When we only have two people show up at a meeting, we cannot have one. He will take care of the appointment of another person.

Motion to adjourn by Eric and second by Dan Adjourned at 19:20