

MINUTES
MORTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
745 Vilymaca
Special Meeting
February 2, 2023

Present: JW Finn, Chairman; Jim Tucker, Vice Chairman; Andy Bane, Commissioner; Gina Shores, County Clerk. David Thompson.

JW opened the meeting at 8:02.

Special meeting to discuss the County Attorney position with David Thompson, who previously expressed interest in the County Counselor position. Dakota Lamb pulled his letter of interest for the County Attorney position.

We toured the side of the building previously occupied by Adam Carey, former County Attorney.

Discussion took place regarding case loads in the County and approximate work hours for both counselor and attorney. Commissioners expressed a concern over the Judge appointing Paul Kitzke at a rate of \$250/hour. David expressed he would use the fees he submitted for the County Counselor position. Shelby, Sheriff entered at 8:35. David wanted to hear what the main cases are here in the County and the current work load. After much discussion, David said he would pursue the County Attorney position and would like to attend the Republican Party Committee meeting to share his intentions and rates. They also discussed the work environment here for the County Attorney and the previous County Attorney rented space for storage and use for his personal practice, he can do the same. A call was made to Crissy Earls to come to the meeting at 9:18. Introduced her to David, and updated him on her background as administrative assistant to the previous county attorney, with intentions for her to have the same role with the new county attorney. David appreciated that, feels there needs to be a county attorney office for the public to go to for their needs and he would be available by phone for important matters. Commissioners addressed expressing our concerns to the District Judge and Commissioner Tucker agreed to draft a letter for all to review before sending.

A motion to adjourn by Jim, seconded by Andy, UYV at 9:43.

JW Finn, Chairman

Jim Tucker, Vice-Chairman

Andy Bane, Commissioner

Attest:
Gina Shores, County Clerk