

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY CANVASSERS  
ON May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

Canvasser Henning called the Canvass to order at 8:30 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

Canvasser Henning gave an invocation.

Carol Noblit, County Election Officer presented the canvass of votes for the Cunningham City Special Election Special Question for a renewed 1% Sales Tax to the County Board of Canvassers.

The Votes were: 85 Yes and 2 No

The voter turnout was 30.52% for Cunningham City.

MOTION: Canvasser Foley moved to approve the Canvass of the Cunningham City Special Election April 27, 2021. Canvasser Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Canvasser Henning moved to adjourn the Canvass at 8:40 a.m. Canvasser Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
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The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021. Those present:

Jerry Henning, Chairman  
Fred Foley, Commissioner  
Jack Thimesch, Commissioner  
Carol Noblit, County Clerk  
John Caton, County Counselor

Visitors: Bob Morris, The Leader-Courier; Larry Landwehr

Staff: Amber Hartley, Appraiser; Amanda Stucky, Field Appraiser; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; Richard Schott, Emergency Manager; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Sheriff Randy Hill.

Chairman Henning called the Board of County Commissioners Meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.

Chairman Henning asked if there were any additions to the agenda.

Chairman Henning would like to add discussion of the Driver's License office.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the agenda with discussion of the Drivers License office. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Clerk submitted minutes from the April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Commission meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning asked if there was any public comment.

Larry Landwehr and Bob Morris said "Good Morning."

Chairman Henning started discussion on having a state license examiner so CDL's can be done in the County.

Commissioner Thimesch let the board know that he called the state and talked with some state officials and they would like to receive a letter requesting a state examiner.

8:57 a.m. Amber Hartley, Appraiser; Amanda Stucky, Field Appraiser and Linda Langley, Internal Auditor were in to discuss the NRP (Neighborhood Revitalization Program).

Chairman Henning discussed that if you are going to build a residence in Kingman County you are going to build even without the NRP.

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Commissioners reviewed the suggestions submitted by the Appraiser's office.

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Commissioners discussed doing away with the residential part of the NRP and will bring it back to make a decision.

Ms. Hartley and Ms. Stucky left the meeting at 9:36 a.m.

9:36 a.m. Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer was in to introduce her new part time staff member Jill Plant.

Commissioners asked Ms. Luntsford about the CDL driver's licenses and if the County could offer it.

Ms. Luntsford let the Commissioners know that she will be looking into getting the training from the state to be able to do renewal CDL's.

Ms. Luntsford left the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

9:45 a.m. Sharon James, Core liaison was in to review with the Commissioners about Core Community classes and that they are starting their third class. Ms. James let the Commissioners know that she would like to have the Commissioners continued support of the program.

Ms. James told the Commissioners that 19 have graduated and it included 34 children so it has helped many. There are currently 14 sites that they have.

Chairman Henning let Ms. James know that he supports Core Community.

Commissioners agreed that this program is doing a great job.

Ms. James, Mr. James and Amanda left the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

10:07 a.m. Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director was in with a CDBG-CV grant for the Lumberyard in Zenda for approval by the Commissioners.

Ms. Schrag submitted a letter for approval to be sent in support of the housing renovation program.

Commissioners let Ms. Schrag know that they are thinking about doing away with the NRP residential part.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the CDBG-CV grant for Lumberyard. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Schrag left the meeting at 10:21 a.m.

Commissioners signed the following abatements:

ABATEMENTS	
2021000397	-765.84
2021000398	-43.92
2021000399	-43.96

10:30 a.m. Andrea Wood, Extension Agent; Kallie Turner, Extension Agent; Mike Floyd and Sukesh Kamesh was in to update the Commissioners.

Sukesh gave a presentation on the 4-H project that was done to give to the care workers. Over 500 bags were given out and all clubs helped with the project and putting the bags together.

Ms. Wood gave the Commissioners report and let them know that the Stay Strong, Stay Healthy Spring session ended on April 20<sup>th</sup> and there were nineteen participants; Dining with Diabetes program had five participants; SNAP-Ed Mini grant applied for and received funding for the Simply Produce program in the amount of \$2500.00.

The Simply Produce program lets consumers purchase approximately 15 pounds of produce for \$15.00 and it can be ordered through Whites Foodliner in Kingman.

The Spring Fling was held on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> and there were 26 booths and the Kingman County Farm Bureau provided a grab and go lunch for attendees.

Ms. Wood also discussed Regional KAP judging; County 4-H Day; 4-H Foundation and upcoming programs.

Kallie Turner was in with an update on Tractor safety online due to COVID and it can be offered year round.

Ms. Turner has been working on USDA loans and with the Conservation District.

Ms. Turner has weigh in for the fair was held on Friday last week.

National Ag Day was in March and it was done by zoom with a great turnout.

Ms. Turner let the Commissioners know that June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 they will have a one day camp at Camp Mennoedah.

Ms. Turner went over upcoming projects.

Mike Floyd let the Commissioners know that a man from Texas A & M living in Medicine Lodge will be at the day camp to help the kids.

Ms. Floyd, Ms. Wood and Ms. Turner left the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in with updates.

11:18 a.m. Daniel Friesen, Ideatek was in to discuss the fiber optics that his company is wanting to lay in Kingman County and the fees that the County have in place.

Chairman Henning discussed the Commissioners position on the permit fees with Mr. Friesen.

Commissioner Foley let Mr. Friesen know that the fees don't seem to be out of line. The township road have been damaged in the past and they have to repair the roads.

Commissioner Thimesch explained why the permit fees were put into place.

Mr. Friesen asked the Commissioners if they would be okay with his company putting on the bill "Kingman County Permit Fees".

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Mr. Friesen suggested having a surety bond instead of the permit fees and maybe allowing fiber optic companies to not pay the fees.

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Mr. Friesen let the Commissioners know that he feels the fees are 10 times higher than anywhere in the state.

Mr. Friesen left the meeting at 11:54 a.m.

11:55 a.m. Sheriff Randy Hill submitted information on a water leak at the Law Enforcement Center.

Sheriff Hill submitted the January, February and March department reports to the County Commissioners.

Sheriff Hill discussed the old generator from the Law Enforcement Center and what they would like to do with it. The Commissioners would like to see what the value of the generator would be.

Commissioners asked Mr. Arensdorf if he would take the fence down around the old generator. Mr. Arensdorf let them know that it could be done.

Sheriff Hill submitted a price for a metal door and frame at the storage building from Fisher Lumber.

Commissioners approved the purchase of a door and frame from Fisher Lumber.

Sheriff Hill submitted a quote from Cummins Sales & Service for the generator maintenance.

A quote was submitted from Pinnacle-Fire for Fire Alarm System maintenance.

A quote was submitted from McDaniel Co Inc for the Fire Sprinkler System maintenance.

A quote from Accurate Controls was received for the jail security maintenance system.

Chairman Henning discussed the Law Enforcement Center with the Sheriff.

Commissioner Thimesch asked the Sheriff if he felt it would be efficient to have separate facilities.

Sheriff Hill could not answer that question.

Sheriff Hill left the meeting at 1:07 p.m.

1:08 p.m. Richard Schott, Emergency Manager was in to discuss the hazard mitigation plan and the renewal of it by July 2021.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve Resolution 2021-R6. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Schott left the meeting at 1:15p.m.

Chairman Henning read correspondence from Public Works Department inviting the Commissioners to a meeting on Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

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Commissioners discussed the steps and correspondence received from Doug Loyd, Loyd Architects.

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Chairman Henning reviewed the measurements that he took at the storage building with the Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.