

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON November 29th, 2021

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on November 29th, 2021. Those present:

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

Visitors: Bob Morris, Kingman Leader-Courier; Robert Casad, Casad & Associates.

Staff: Amber Hartley, County Appraiser; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

Chairman Henning called the Board of County Commissioners Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

Chairman Henning gave an invocation.

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

Commissioner Thimesch would like to add discussion of insurance with John Caton, Counselor.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the agenda with the addition of discussion of insurance with John Caton, Counselor. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning asked if there were any public comments.

No Comments were made.

The County Clerk submitted the November 22nd, 2021 Commission meeting minutes for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the November 22nd, 2021 commission minutes. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed correspondence received from the Law Company requesting to use photos from project for the 2022 State building awards program.

Commissioners agreed to signing the owner's consent/photo release for The Law Company, Inc.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session at 8:55 a.m. with Amber Hartley, County Appraiser and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss individual employee's evaluation pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of non-elected personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be

discussed, and they will return to open session in the board meeting room at 9:10 a.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:10 a.m.

Commissioner Thimesch presented an email received from the State on the radio coverage and would like to come and meet with the Commission to review the results.

9:29 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director was in to discuss that the 2022 Wellness kickoff on December 15, 2021.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session at 9:40 a.m. with Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss individual employee's evaluation pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of non-elected personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed, and they will return to open session in the board meeting room at 9:55 a.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:55 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to go into executive session at 9:55 a.m. with Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss individual employee's evaluation pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of non-elected personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed, and they will return to open session in the board meeting room at 10:05 a.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners returned to regular session at 10:05 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to go into executive session at 10:06 a.m. with Linda Langley, Internal Auditor and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss individual employee's evaluation pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of non-elected personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed, and they will return to open session in the board meeting room at 10:16 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners returned to regular session at 10:16 a.m.

Commissioners discussed with Ms. Langley about submitting items to the ARPA funding and maybe stop sending items to Witt O'Briens LLC to review because the funding should be accounted for.

Ms. Langley left the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

Commissioners discussed insurance at the Expo Center.

10:45 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in and let the Commissioners know that Scott Mullens will be in around 11:00 a.m. to discuss a road.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session at 10:50 a.m. with Charles Arensdorf, and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss individual employee's evaluation pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of non-elected personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed, and they will return to open session in the board meeting room at 11:05 a.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners returned to regular session at 11:05 a.m.

Scott Mullen, KDOT was in to discuss a bridge with the County Commissioners and a six-month detour SW 50 Ave and SW 180th Street. It is around the county line and 4.5 miles of road that KDOT would like to rent for a monetary amount of around \$60,000.00.

Chairman Henning asked Mr. Mullens when the bridge will let.

Mr. Mullens thinks that it will be around February 2022 and construction may be around July of 2022 which will depend on supplies being delivered.

Mr. Mullens asked if the Commissioners agree to the rental of the detour road to KDOT for \$60,000.00.

Commissioners agree for KDOT rental of road to help them with the detour for bridge repair.

Mr. Mullens let the Commissioners know that he would have the agreement drawn up by their attorney and bring it back later for signatures.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed Onyx seal coat areas for 2022, funding & number of miles for these possible areas:

1. FAS 359 Cunningham Road-4 miles-K42 North to St. Leo Road.
2. FAS 296 South of Zenda-4 miles K-42 to Harper Co. Line.
3. FAS 364-from Cleveland Corner East to Belmont Corner-8 miles.
4. FAS 988-West Spivey-Attica Road-K42 South to Harper County line-5 miles.

Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know that it would be around \$20,000.00 per mile for the Onyx seal coat.

Commissioners discussed doing twelve miles and getting a price for them.

Chairman Henning asked if the landfill had room to put up a tower and a building for the 800 mhz system.

Mr. Arensdorf said that the closed landfill is reaching the 30-year mark and might be able to be used but he would look into it.

Mr. Arensdorf left the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

11:33 a.m. Robert Casad, Casad & Associates and Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director were in to discuss Biomethane from Agricultural residues and ask the Commissioners to establish a district.

Mr. Casad left the meeting at 12:09 p.m.

John Caton, County Counselor let the Commissioners know that he made calls last week on insurance for the Expo Center and has no responses at this time but will continue to research it.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:18 p.m.
Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.