

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON February 14th, 2022

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas February 14th, 2022. Those present:

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

Visitors: Bob Morris, Kingman Leader-Courier; Larry Landwehr; Beth Blasi, Zenda City Clerk; Kelsey Haile, SCKEDD Grant Administrator; Michelle Kelly, SCKEDD Grant Writer/Administrator; Bill Lampe, SCKEDD Program Manager; Marc Howell, SCKEDD Executive Director; Wayne Culp, Zenda Mayor; Todd Green, Zenda City Council; Aaron Murphy, Cunningham City Mayor.

Online Visitors: Heather Kinsler, Caller 01

Staff: Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director; Amber Hartley, Appraiser; Sheriff Randy Hill; Undersheriff David Hillman; Adrian Kostner, Public Works; Tim Elliott, Deputy Treasurer; Sara Hager, Deputy Register of Deeds; Susan Hubbell, Register of Deeds and Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

Commissioner Henning gave the invocation.

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

Chairman Henning would like to add discussion of the City/County Joint meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the agenda with the addition of discussion on city/county joint meeting. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Foley asked if there was any public comment.

Larry Landwehr said "Good Morning".

Commissioner Henning discussed the city/county joint meeting with the Board.

Commissioners discussed the dispatching services and the cost of the services.

9:00 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director was in with a new hire sheets for signature approval for the new internal auditor with a start date of April 4th, 2022 and Register of Deeds employee with a start date of February 15th, 2022.

Mr. Goetz submitted the minutes from the Department Head meeting that was held last week.

Mr. Goetz discussed old floor cleaners that are in the garage and asked if they wanted to dispose of.

Commissioners agreed that Commissioner Henning would take the old floor cleaners to the disposal east of town.

Mr. Goetz submitted 2021 reports for building permits and sanitarian permits.

Mr. Goetz discussed a letter from Rod Coykendall for a road closure in Canton township.

Mr. Goetz left the room at 9:32 a.m.

9:32 a.m. Beth Blasi was in for the City of Zenda, Wayne Culp and Todd Green from Zenda City Council were in to discuss the ARPA funding and that they are wanting to repair and clean the water tower. The cost would be around \$150,000.00.

Mr. Culp let the Board know that Viking will be starting this spring on repairing the tower.

County Clerk submitted the minutes of the February 7th, 2022 Commission meeting and the February 9th, 2022 County/City Joint meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the February 7th, 2022 Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the February 9th, 2022 City/County joint meeting minutes. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

9:47 a.m. Michelle McDowell and Kelsie Haile, SCKEDD grant writing and administrators were in with a presentation on grant writing services they provide for Kingman County. Bill Lampe and the SCKEDD Executive Director Marc Howell were in also to re-affirm what SCKEDD can provide for the cities and the county.

Left the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director, Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer and Brad Fagan, Schwab Eaton were in to open the bids for the 2022 Surface overlay program.

Bids received:

Cornejo & Sons \$983,818.50

APAC Kansas \$986,462.75

Pearson Construction \$986,164.50

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the bid from Cornejo & Sons in the amount of \$983,818.50 for the 2022 Surface Overlay Program with the approval of the Engineers review.

Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners presented KAC years of service awards to the following employees:

Amber Hartley 8 years
Carolyn Heath 8 years
Melissa Allen 16 years
Adrian Kostner 8 years
Sara Hager 16 years
Timothy Elliott 16 years
Undersheriff David Hillman 24 years
Sheriff Randy Hill 40 years

Also, John Caton was presented a plaque for his service to Kingman County as County Counselor.

Commissioners discussed a bridge that they would like removed from the capital improvement plans put together by Steve Bachenberg and Charles Arensdorf.

Commissioners also had NW 10th bridge removed from the capital improvement list.

Commissioner Henning discussed the door on the North side of the Extension office and asked if he could have the Road & Bridge help install it.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to purchase the door from Fisher Lumber for the Extension north door. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to send letters of support to Pickrell, Westar Energy and Harper County Commissioners. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed some used rakes that may be purchased for use at the Expo Center.

Commissioners discussed dispatching and they will get with Heather Kinsler individually to discuss dispatching duties and services.

Commission signed the following abatement:

ABATEMENT	
2022000009	-6410.02

Commissioners signed vouchers in the amount of \$253691.40.

Commissioners decided to not meet the week of February 21st, 2022.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to not meet the February 21, 2022. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:22 p.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.