

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON May 16th, 2022

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

Fred Foley, Chairman

Jerry Henning, Commissioner

Jack Thimesch, Commissioner

Carol Noblit, County Clerk

Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

Commissioner Henning gave invocation.

Visitors: Bob Morris, Kingman Leader-Courier; Larry Landwehr; Jeremy Gilson, Gallagher Benefits and Andrea Puls, Arrowhead West Director

Online Visitors: Caller 01; Caller 02; Heather Kinsler and Joyce Foley.

Staff: Mendy Frampton, Expo Center Director; LaDawn Stegman, Financial Officer; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director

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

Commissioner Henning would like to have an atty-client executive session.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the agenda with the added atty-client executive session. Commissioner Henning 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.

8:32 a.m. Mendy Frampton, Expo Center Director was in to let the Commissioners know that the commercial refrigerator compressor is out and she will have someone look at it.

Ms. Frampton asked the Commissioners about the dirt work that needs to be done and if they want to move forward with hiring to have it done. The quotes she received were from the following:

C3 Skid Steer \$8,400.00

Ryan Boroughs \$14,000.00

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the bid from C3 Skid Steer from Augusta in the amount of \$8400.00. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Frampton left the meeting at 8:50 a.m.

The County Clerk submitted the May 9th, 2022 Commission meeting minutes for approval.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Henning moved to go into executive session with Brandon Ritcha, County Attorney to discuss pending administrative proceedings at 8:55 a.m. pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of matters which would be deemed privileged under the attorney-client relationship, and they will return to open session in the board meeting room at 9:00 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 9:00 a.m. with no decision made.

9:06 a.m. Jeremy Gilson, Gallagher Benefits and Stan Goetz, HR were in to discuss the employee benefits and the steps that his company is doing to prepare the information on self-funding.

Commissioners asked questions about the self-funding.

Mr. Gilson left the meeting at 9:42 a.m.

Mr. Goetz discussed the Flat Ridge 3 dedication and thanked the Commissioners for attending.

Mr. Goetz discussed the Flat Ridge 2 upgrades and that he has talked to the company.

Mr. Goetz submitted the following building permits:

1. Chance Cox for a shop shed in Section 21, Township 27, Range 05.
2. Harold Forcum for a wood shop in Section 16, Township 27, Range 07.
3. Farmers Coop for Grain Storage & Office in Section 12, Township 27, Range 07.
4. Randy Shelman for a shed in Section 32, Township 27, Range 10.
5. Ezra Olson for a house in Section 34, Township 27, Range 7.

County Clerk discussed that there were three taxpayers in the NRP program that did not pay their taxes by the deadline and there were three others that are in the program but not on the tax rolls for the project that did not pay their taxes.

Commissioners discussed that if a taxpayer's project isn't finalized and placed on the tax roll that they were not notified to pay by deadline so they will remain in the program.

The three taxpayers that are in the NRP program and are on the tax roll shall be removed for delinquent taxes.

Mr. Goetz left the meeting at 10:09 a.m.

Commissioner Thimesch discussed the towers with the board and that there will be a meeting on the 24th with Charles Arensdorf, AT & T, Motorola, and a Commissioner at the landfill site and he will not be able to attend so he asked one of the other Commissioners to attend.

10:25 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in with the following permits:

1. South Central Wireless-lay fiber optic cable-between Sections 33. Township 27, Range 10 (Dresden) and Section 4, Township 28, Range 10 (Rural).
2. South Central Wireless-lay fiber optic cable along Section 21, Township 28, Range 10 (Rural) and lay cable along Section 4, Township 29, Range 10 (Kingman).

Mr. Arensdorf submitted the contracts for FAS 296 Hot Mix Overlay for signatures.

Mr. Arensdorf reviewed April financial reports with the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf gave an update on FAS 693.

Mr. Arensdorf left the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

10:55 a.m. Andrea Puls, Vice President Arrowhead West was in to give an update to the County Commissioners and submitted the budget request for 2023.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 11:18 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.