

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ON March 24, 2014

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in regular session, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas, on March 24, 2014. Those Present:

Carol Voran, Chairperson  
John Steffen, Commissioner  
Fred Foley, Commissioner  
Carol Noblit, Master County Clerk

Also present was the County Counselor, John Caton.

Commissioner Voran called the Board of County Commissioners Meeting to Order at 8:07 a.m.

Commissioner Voran updated the Commissioners on the legislation that she testified for at the State Capitol.

Commissioner Voran discussed with board members correspondence received.

Commissioner Voran asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Commissioner Steffen requested that discussion of the Law Enforcement Center be added to the agenda

**MOTION:** Commissioner Steffen moved to approve the agenda with the addition requested by Commissioner Steffen. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Visitors: John Kostner, Carol Young, Donna Hardesty, Gayle Dye, Mary I. Bergkamp, Carmen Sowers, JoAnne Ziegler, Carl Ziegler, Don Schrag, Mo Doonan, Karl Ross, Brad Fagan, Schwab Eaton, Daryl Schramm, APAC, Jessica Manning, Venture and Mike Rowdybush, Cornejo & Sons.

Staff: Nancy Borst, County Communications Coordinator, Steve Ramsey, Community Service Director, John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director, Ron Leroux, Noxious Weed Department, Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes from the March 17, 2014 Commission meeting for approval.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Foley made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 17, 2014 Commission meeting. Commissioner Voran seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Steffen asked for a letter of support from the Board of Commissioners for the City of Cunningham street improvement project to send to the Kansas Department of Transportation.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Foley made a motion to approve a letter of support for the City of Cunningham street improvement project to send to the Kansas Department of Transportation. Commissioner Voran seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

The County Clerk submitted five abatements in the amount of \$1193.26 and six additions in the amount of \$215.28 from the County Appraiser for the Commissioner's signatures.

The County Commissioners signed county vouchers in the amount of \$138,092.92.

9:09 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning, reported there is no planning commission meeting tonight and the next one is scheduled for April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Mr. Goetz submitted approved zoning permits for the following:

1. Cecil & Kathy Price-New Home- NE corner of the NE4 sec. 25-30-10(Liberty).
2. Kevin Rau- Pole Barn- NW Corner NW4 sec. 13-27-5(Evan).

Mr. Goetz reviewed the Department Head Meeting minutes with the Commissioners. Also, Mr. Goetz reviewed recommendations to Policy #17- Shared Leave and recommended updating changes to Policy #9, #12, #14, to support new time clocks.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Commissioner Voran made a motion to recess for an Executive Session at 9:36 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, that Stan Goetz, Human Resources Director, Nancy Borst, Communications Coordinator, and John Caton, County Counselor, be included in the meeting to advise the Commissioners and that the Commissioners return to open session in the Board meeting room at 9:40 a.m. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

The County Commission returned to regular session at 9:40 a.m.

9:40 a.m. Kyle Clark with the South Central Local Environmental Protection Group (“SCLEPG”) discussed with the Commissioners his intent to resign as Director effective June 30, 2014 and possible amendments to the SCLEPG inter-local agreement. Mr. Clark also requested that the Commissioners attend a joint meeting with the Harper County Commissioners on March 25, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Goetz & Mr. Clark left the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director presented bids for the purchase of chemicals. Bids were received from the following: Van Diest Supply Company, Helena, CPS Timberland and Red River. The Commission requested that Mr. Wimer review the bids and verify the computation of the proposed purchase prices and report the results to the Commissioners. Mr. Wimer introduced his new part-time employee Ron Leroux.

Mr. Wimer and Mr. Leroux left the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

Commissioner Voran discussed correspondence from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management inviting Kingman County to be a Cooperating Agency in connection with a proposed Resource Management Plan. Mr. Caton asked that the correspondence be tabled until next week.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Steffen made a motion to table the Department of Interior invitation until Mr. Caton has time to review the document. Commissioner Foley seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

10:20 a.m. Nancy Borst, County Communications Coordinator presented a proposed display for publication in the local newspapers. Also, Ms. Borst discussed correspondence regarding the sales tax election proposition that she has put together for approval and a signature.

Commissioner Voran discussed with the Commissioners information about the mortgage registration fees that are the subject of pending legislation.

11:00 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director, Brad Fagan, Schwab Eaton, Jessica Manning, Venture, Mike Rowdybush, Cornejo & Sons, and Daryl Schramm, APAC were present for the opening of bids for the 4 Miles RS296 South of Zenda road surface overlay project. The bids received were the following:

- Cornejo & Sons to commence and finish within 60 days after notice for \$535,832.50.
- Venture Corporation to commence and finish within 10 days after notice for \$547,912.50.
- APAC to commence and finish within 60 days after notice for \$521,716.80.

The Engineers estimated figure was \$578,885.50. Approval of the successful bid was deferred pending the Engineer's review of the bids submitted.

Mr. Fagan, Mr. Rowdybush, Mr. Schramm & Ms. Manning left the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

**CONSTRUCTION PERMIT:** Mr. Arensdorf reported that he has approved an application for construction on county right-of-way for Pratt Well Service Inc. to lay 3" poly line temporarily through culvert on SE 90<sup>th</sup> Ave for water line to a drill rig.

Mr. Arensdorf left the meeting at 11:37 a.m.

11:38 a.m. Richard Batchellor, County Appraiser discussed with the Commissioners the wind farm unit and assessed values in the counties in Kansas with wind farm facilities.

11:50 a.m. Susan Hubbell, Register of Deed was in to thank Mrs. Voran for her testimony before the legislative committee in Topeka regarding the legislation proposal to repeal mortgage registration fees. Ms. Hubbell invited the Commission to her South Central Region Register of Deeds Spring Meeting this Friday at the Kingman Country Club.

Ms. Hubbell left the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

11:55 a.m. Carl Ziegler was in to discuss his concerns about the law enforcement center project with the Commissioners. Commissioner Voran discussed with Mr. Ziegler what her concerns were also with the project. Commissioner Steffen discussed the purpose and intent of the motion he presented during the March 17<sup>th</sup> County Commission meeting..

Mr. Ziegler, Ms. Ziegler, Ms. Hardesty, Ms. Dye, Mr. Kostner, Ms. Sowers, Ms. Young, Mr. Doonan, Ms. Bergkamp and Mr. Schrag left the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Steffen made a motion to adjourn the Commission meeting at 12:30 p.m. Commissioner Voran seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Commissioners.