

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON June 22, 2015

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in regular session, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas, on June 22, 2015. Those present:

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

John Caton, County Counselor, was present.

Visitors: Phyllis Zorn, Kingman Leader-Courier; Donna Hardesty; Gayle Dye; Zachary Bieghler, Kingman EMS Director; Charlus Bishop, Kingman City Mayor; Paula Fankhauser, Assault/Domestic Violence; Camille Wuthnow, Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence; Dick Neville, Kingman City Commissioner; Steve Drosselmeyer; Daniel Shea, Kingman Economic Development Director and Ed Riley, Kingman Hospital Administrator.

Staff: Nancy Borst, Communications Coordinator; Richard Batchellor, County Appraiser; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director; Mark Schnittker, Courthouse Maintenance and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

Chairperson Foley called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

Chairperson Foley asked whether there were additions or changes to the agenda. Commissioner Voran would like to add new business.

MOTION: Commissioner Voran moved to approve the agenda with the addition of new business. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

8:15 a.m. Nancy Borst, Communications Coordinator was in to update the County Commissioners on the new website that is scheduled to go live the middle of July. Ms. Borst also discussed the Facebook page for the County and she feels that it is going well.

8:30 a.m. Zachary Bieghler, Kingman EMS Director and Charlus Bishop, Kingman City Mayor were in with the budget request for 2016 Kingman EMS.

Mr. Bieghler and Mr. Bishop left the meeting at 8:50 a.m.

9:00 a.m. Camille Wuthnow, Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Administrator, Paula Fankhauser, Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence were in with a budget request of \$1,000.00 for 2016. Ms. Wuthnow and Ms. Fankhauser updated the County Commissioners on what they are accomplishing and how they are getting the word out on what their services provide.

Ms. Wuthnow and Ms. Fankhauser left the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

The County Commissioners signed County vouchers in the amount of \$135,376.19.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes from the June 15, 2015 Commission Meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Voran moved to approve the minutes of June 15, 2015 with the amendments of adding Charles Arensdorf to the new business added and the word “and” added to the sentence. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

9:30 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director was in and asked the Commissioners if they had heard from Gary Hardman with Gallagher Benefits about the County’s Health Benefits. The Commissioners let Mr. Goetz know they haven’t heard anything from him. Mr. Goetz then told the Commissioners that he would get with Mr. Hardman and see what figures he has for the Health Plan for 2016.

Mr. Goetz left the meeting at 9:34 a.m.

9:45 a.m. Richard Batchellor, County Appraiser was in to discuss the Neighborhood Revitalization Program with the County Commissioners. Commissioner Steffen would like to look at other options

MOTION: Commissioner Voran moved to approve an amendment to the 2013 amended NRP to extend the date to January 1, 2016 to let the Commissioners have time to review the program. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Batchellor left the meeting at 10:11 a.m.

10:12 a.m. Commissioner Voran let the people in attendance know that she invited Charles Arensdorf, Steve Drosselmeyer, City Officials, Daniel Shea, Sasnak Inc. and Kingman Hospital on how we need to proceed with the buildings on Main Street. Ms. Voran said if the Community can work together we can achieve an answer. Ms. Voran asked for input from all in attendance. Steve Drosselmeyer suggested that the County needs to get agreements signed from all businesses in downtown before any demolition is done.

Commissioner Steffen would like to know if a letter needs to be sent out to all business owners by John Caton. Commissioner Steffen also suggested if Ms. Dye and Ms. Hardesty would like to take the letters around to the business owners on Main Street. Ms. Dye thought that anyone could go around. Mr. Shea let the Commissioners know that the business owners in downtown know that those buildings need to come down.

Ed Riley, Kingman Hospital Administrator thought that apartments being constructed above new businesses would be a good investment. Mr. Riley also said the Hospital had their insurance carrier do a wall stability study.

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen moved to have the County Counselor contact by certified letter to the adjacent building owners and building owners on the east and west side of the 200 block of Main Street, Kingman. Commissioner Voran seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Goetz, Ms. Dye and Ms. Hardesty left the meeting at 11:23 a.m.

11:30 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in with his May Financial Reports and a township consultation request for the County Commissioners to review.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve a consultation with White Township by Charles Arensdorf and Steve Bachenberg. Commissioner Voran seconded. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed the drainage status Mile 1- FAS 989 with the County Commissioners. Mr. Caton suggested that the County Engineer review this and report back to the Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf said the North Main and the Courthouse seal coat is completed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Steffen moved to go into executive session at 11:40 a.m. with Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director, Carol Noblit, County Clerk and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, and that we return to open session in the Board meeting room at 11:50 a.m. Commissioner Voran seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Voran moved to approve the utility adjustment/relocation agreement for Southern Pioneer Electric Company and Cox Communications, Inc. with Kingman County, Kansas. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Voran moved to go into executive session at 12:00 p.m. with Cindy Chrisman-Smith, Health Nurse and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, and that we return to open session in the Board meeting room at 12:10 p.m. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Voran moved to approve a Notice of Fence Viewing between Carl A Wewe Trust and Adsit Farming Enterprise, Inc. to be held August 31, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:19 p.m. Commissioner Voran seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.