

THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ON April 25, 2016

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in regular session, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas, on April 25, 2016. Those present:

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

John Caton, County Counselor was present.

Visitors: Donna Hardesty; Gayle Dye; Jason Jump, Leader-Courier; Larry Landwehr; Jerome Henning and Janice Neville, Kingman County 4-H Board Member; Josh Svaty, Richard Chandler, Sempra and Lisa Briggs, Regional Director with Sempra.

Staff: Nancy Borst, Communications Coordinator; Fred Simon, Emergency Management Director; Mark Schnittker, Courthouse Maintenance; Andrea Wood, Kingman Extension Agent; Jake Renner, Kingman Extension Agent; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer.

Chairperson Foley called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m.

Chair asked for public comment.

Larry Landwehr said Good Morning.

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

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Voran seconded. The motion was approved upon a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes of the April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Commission Meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commission Voran moved to approve the Commission Minutes. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners signed county vouchers.

The County Clerk submitted information received on the ROZ program for the Commission to review.

8:30 a.m. Fred Simon, Emergency Preparedness Director was in with a Disaster Response Agreement with the United Way of the Plains for approval and signature by the County Commissioners. Mr. Simon said the United Way of the Plains is for help during emergency efforts. Mr. Simon requested the County Commissioners sign and approve the Agreement and that Mr. Caton had reviewed and approved.

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen moved to approve the Disaster Response Agreement with United Way of the Plains. Commissioner Voran seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Simon left the meeting at 8:35 a.m.

8:35 a.m. Richard Batchellor, Appraiser was in with a memorandum he received from David Harper, Director of the Division of Property Valuation in regards to K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 79-201 Eleventh-Renewable Energy Resources or Technologies.

County Commissioners discussed the memorandum received and the changes it will mean for Wind Farms.

8:53 a.m. Andrea Wood, Kingman Extension Agent and Jake Renner, Kingman Extension Agent were in with a quarterly update. Mr. Renner discussed that he held an informational program on Sorghum Pest Management and Predator Trapping and Calling. Ms. Wood and Mr. Renner volunteered in Reality U at the High School.

Mr. Renner attended the Cattle Drive that was hosted by Reno County.

Mr. Renner held other programs through January and March. Mr. Renner informed the Commissioners that he has the following upcoming events: Wheat Plot Tour, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016; Ag Safety Day; Tractor Safety, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016; Wheat Diagnostic School; Cover Crop Road Tour; 4-H Discovery Days; Heart of Kansas; CWF and he will begin his masters in Agricultural Education and Communications through K-State online this fall.

Ms. Wood discussed the programs that she has done for Family & Consumer Sciences (Kingman Youth rUn?; Stay Strong, Stay Healthy; Wellness Program; ServSafe Training; Walk Kansas; Spring Fling Health & Craft Fair; FNP) and 4-H and Youth Development (County & Regional 4-H Day; 4-H Exchange Trip; Area KAP Screening and Bread in a Bag) January through March.

Ms. Wood let the Commissioners know what she has the following things coming up: Cunningham Family Fun & Fitness night; HEU District Meeting; 4-H Camp; Babysitting Clinic; Food Preservation Workshop(Salsa); 4-H Exchange Hosting Kentucky and the Kingman County & 4-H Fair.

Carol Noblit, County Clerk submitted a purchase agreement from 360 Document for the purchase of a FP-USA Postbase 85 postage machine in the amount of \$6495.00.

MOTION: Commissioner Voran moved to approve the purchase of a FP-USA Postbase 85 postage machine in the amount of \$6,495.00 from 360 Document Solutions. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners discussed the fence viewings that will be this afternoon at 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

10:00 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director was in to discuss a nuisance property that is located on 20<sup>th</sup> Street. Mr. Goetz submitted the agenda for the Planning Commission Meeting agenda for this evening at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Goetz discussed that he will be attending the KACPZO conference.

Ms. Dye and Ms. Hardesty left the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

10:16 a.m. Lisa Briggs, Josh Svaty and Richard Chandler were here with Sempra to discuss Flat Ridge 3 and Flat Ridge 4. Mr. Chandler discussed the steps that they are currently doing. Mr. Chandler thanked the County and Zoning for what they have done the last few months to help with the planning and how

many turbines. The original plan required 80 turbines and with the changes only 65 turbines will be needed but would produce the same 130 megawatts.

Mr. Chandler discussed the power purchase agreement with the County Commissioners and when they were planning on a pilot agreement and decommissioning agreement to start reviewing.

Mr. Chandler informed the Commissioners that they are planning on Flat Ridge 4 and they have sent out letters to landowners in the area of that planned project to secure more property.

Mr. Chandler, Mr. Svaty and Ms. Briggs left the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer were in with updates. Mr. Bachenberg informed the Commissioners that it is time for bridge inspections and Kirkham Michael had finished the County Bridge inspections. Mr. Bachenberg also discussed turn back road to Dresden and Rural Township.

The County Clerk submitted a Supplemental Demolition Services Agreement from G & G Dozer, LLC, Caney, Kansas for \$1,956.00 on the Completion of 228 N Main Street.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Steffen moved to approve the Supplemental Demolition Services Agreement with G & G Dozer, LLC. Commissioner Foley seconded. The motion was approved with a majority vote.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Commissioner Steffen moved for an executive session for consultation on a matter protected by the attorney-client privilege from 11:17 a.m. with Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director, Steve Bachenberg, Engineer and John Caton, County Counselor in order to protect the privilege and the Board's position in administrative proceedings, and they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 11:35 a.m.

The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 11:35 a.m. with no action taken.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Steffen moved to approve the transfers for the month of March 2016. Commissioner Foley seconded. The motion was passed with a majority vote.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Steffen moved to recess the Commission meeting for fence viewings. Commissioner Foley seconded. The motion was passed with a majority vote.