

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON April 16th, 2018

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on April 16th, 2018. Those present:

John Steffen, Chairman
Fred Foley, Commissioner
Jerry Henning, Commissioner
Carol Noblit, County Clerk
John Caton, County Counselor

Visitors: Larry Landwehr; DeAnna Gerhardt; Jason Jump, Kingman Leader Courier and Carol Voran.

Staff: Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; Carol Noblit, County Clerk; Amber Hartley, Deputy Appraiser; Todd Lawson, Appraiser's Office.

Chairman Steffen called the regular Board of County Commissioners to order at 8:05 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

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

Chairman Steffen would like to add discussion of a Joint City/County Meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the agenda with the addition of discussion of a holding a Joint City/County meeting. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Steffen asked if there was any public comment.

Carol Voran let the Commissioners know that she will has information in the newspaper about the recycle center.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes of the April 9th, 2018 Commission Meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the minutes of April 9th, 2018 Commission Meeting. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to amend the agenda to add discussion of the notice of the fence viewing. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

8:26 a.m. John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director was in to request authorization to send out an RFP for chemical purchase.

Mr. Wimer discussed with the Commissioners that the roll up doors need repaired because rollers are falling out; need new boom buster tips; safety vests; and first aid kits for the department and vehicles.

Commissioners let Mr. Wimer know that they would like for him to get these items for safety.

Mr. Wimer left the meeting at 8:39 a.m.

Commissioners discussed the fence viewing with John Caton, County Counselor.

Mr. Caton submitted the report and order of fence viewers for the Commissioners approval and signatures.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to sign and approve the contract with KONE. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

9:00 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director was in and let the Commissioners know that Todd Eagleston, Sempra was to be here today but had to postpone until next week at 9:00 a.m.

County Commissioners discussed the Pilot agreement and Decommissioning agreement.

Mr. Goetz gave the Commissioners a personal leave approval form for approval. The form was approved unanimously by the Commission.

Mr. Goetz submitted the Department Head Meeting minutes for the Commission to view.

Mr. Goetz discussed with the Commissioners a non-discrimination testing worksheet that was received. The County is not in the \$160,000.00 salary field so a letter is required.

The County Commissioners are in agreement to sign the letter for non-discrimination.

Mr. Goetz submitted Policy #2; Policy #2A and Policy #2B.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve Policy #2-Qualifications and Hiring; Policy #2-A-Equal Employment Opportunity Employer and Policy #2-B-Americans with Disabilities Act. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Goetz submitted the following building permits:

1. Hobart & Carolyn Feese for a storage shed in the NE4 of Section 2, Township 29, Range 5W(Evan).
2. Joe Krehbiel for a house addition in the SW4 of Section 3, Township 29, Range 7W (White).

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Steffen moved to go into executive session with Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director and John Caton, County Counselor at 9:30 a.m. to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of non-elected personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, and that they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 9:45 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

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Commissioners signed the following abatements and additions:

ABATEMENTS:

2018000145	\$-624.30
2018000146	\$-500.56
2018000147	\$-610.92
2018000148	\$-573.32

ADDITIONS

2018000149	+\$2531.96
2018000150	+\$2169.22
2018000151	+\$4444.28

10:11 a.m. Richard Batchellor, County Appraiser; Amber Hartley, Deputy Appraiser; Todd Lawson, Field Appraiser; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor and Carol Noblit, County Clerk were in to discuss the NRP program with the County Commissioners.

Chairman Steffen read the options that were brought up by the group.

The County Commissioners discussed the NRP program and would like to go with Option #3 and a \$200,000.00 cap on New Residential only with a five year plan instead of 10 year plan.

The County Commissioners would like them to get the agreement together and it will be discussed next week.

10:40 a.m. Susan Hubbell, Register of Deeds was in and said the County Commissioners really need to go to the KCCA conference because Roland Belcher with Land Title, Inc. is trying to pass legislation to change the recording fees. Ms. Hubbell told the Commissioners that they need to talk to the other Commissioners from other Counties and tell them that this will be horrible for the Counties if the fees go down.

Ms. Hubbell said the ag land is not taxed like residential property and if fees get changed Kingman County will be affected if this happens.

Ms. Hubbell left the meeting at 10:59 a.m.

11:00 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer were in to talk with the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed having a tractor repaired or if the Commissioners would like to replace the tractor. The repairs would be option #1 change out the hydraulic pump and change oils \$9,104.53. Option #2 tear down and repair \$27,461.23.

Murphy brought them a 2015 tractor from the City of Lawrence was brought out to see if the men liked it but the tractor was full of salt damage for \$82,500.00. Also, a 2017 tractor was given a pricing but it was sold last week and it was \$101,768.82.

Mr. Arensdorf said that Murphy Tractor was offering \$6,000.00 for the 2000 Loader Backhoe trade in.

The price for a new 2018 John Deere 410L Backhoe Loader with 60 month warranty 3000 Hr Comprehensive Warranty for the amount of \$109,548.07 to be paid out of Special Machinery.

Mr. Fanshier with Murphy Tractor left the meeting to call Murphy Tractor to see about the cost of the backhoe and if it can be lowered.

Mr. Fanshier came back to the meeting and offered \$107,000.00 even for the price of the backhoe.

Commissioner Foley would like for Murphy Tractor to supply oil changes for a year at their cost. Mr. Fanshier said that it would be more like a year and a half (500 hrs) is doable.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the purchase of a new 2018 410L Backhoe Tractor for the amount of \$107,000.00 with one year of oil changes from the Special Machinery Fund. Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf and Mr. Bachenberg discussed a drive entrance on SE 20 St and where it is requested to be placed would be a safety hazard but would gladly put it on the West side of the bridge.

Mr. Bachenberg discussed the Smoots Creek Bridge is almost completed and that it is possibly going to be open by Friday this week.

Mr. Bachenberg discussed the Murdock Hill curve and paperwork needs to done.

Mr. Bachenberg gave the Commissioners the road plans survey.

The Commissioners discussed a letter received from Schwab Eaton to Aaron Murphy, City of Cunningham Mayor.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:20 p.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.