

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON July 8th, 2019

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on July 8th, 2019. Those present:

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

Visitors: Jason Jump, Kingman Leader Courier; Gayle Dye; Carol Voran; DeAnna Gerhardt; Michelle Yingling, BC/BS; Rachel Murray, Gallagher Benefits; Jeremy Gilson, Gallagher Benefits; Shanna Henry; Jake Power; Josh Beckham, Kirkham Michael; Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer; Rich Johnson, Phillips 66; Bob Adair, Phillips 66 and Ryan Nance, Phillips 66.

Staff: Richard Schott, Emergency Management Director; Cindy Chrisman-Smith, Health Nurse; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Director; and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

Chairman Steffen called the Board of County Commissioners Meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

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

Commissioner Henning would like to add budget discussion.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the agenda with the addition of budget discussion. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Steffen asked if there was any public comments.

No comments were given.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes of the July 1st, 2019 Commission Meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the minutes of the July 1st, 2019 Commission Meeting. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners discussed a date for The Law Company to visit with an update on the budget of the project.

The County Commissioners signed County vouchers in the amount of \$154,266.46.

8:20 a.m. Richard Schott, Emergency Management Director was in to talk about federal funds being available for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program as a result of the Presidential Disaster Declaration received on February 25, 2019.

Mr. Schott discussed with the Commissioners about possible grant funding.

Mr. Schott left the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

8:34 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director was in with the Department Head Meeting minutes for the Commissioners to review.

Mr. Goetz discussed the KCAMP audit of the County Offices.

Mr. Goetz submitted the following building permit:

1. Scott Strong for a Gazebo in Section 34, Township 27, Range 05W.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session at 8:50 a.m. with Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss an 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 interest of the individual to be discussed, and they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The Commissioners returned to regular session at 8:57a.m. with no binding action taken.

9:00 a.m. Michelle Yingling, BC/BS representative; Rachel Murray and Jeremy Gilson, Gallagher Benefits were in to go over the new year enrollment numbers.

Ms. Yingling reviewed the plan options with the County Commissioners.

Ms. Yingling, Ms. Murray and Mr. Gilson left the meeting at 9:58 a.m.

10:00 a.m. Shanna Henry, Economic Development, President of the Economic Development Board was in to request funding for the Economic Development Board.

Ms. Henry let the Commissioners know that 12 existing businesses applied for grants from KCEDC to help in façade improvements in the last 2 ½ years and 9 of them have been funded in the amount of \$7,282.38.

Ms. Henry went over a list of all individuals on the Economic Development Board and all the work that they contribute to the board.

Ms. Henry went over the KCEDC Kingman Identity Project notes from the Public Engagement Meeting that Jim Rowland and Elizabeth Collins put together.

Jake Power, Norwich Mayor was in to go over making connections and expanding Norwich. Mr. Power would like to start a new home addition in Norwich. Economic Development is important to get the connections and would like to keep the Economic Development Board.

Ms. Henry and Mr. Power left the meeting at 10:26 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session at 10:30 a.m. with Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss an 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 interest of the individual to be discussed, and they

will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 10:47 a.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 10:47 a.m. with no binding action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Steffen moved to go into executive session at 10:47 a.m. with Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss an 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 interest of the individual to be discussed, and they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 10:52 a.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 10:52 a.m. with no binding action taken.

10:53 a.m. Cindy Chrisman-Smith, Health Nurse was in with the 2019 KDHE Universal Contract grant agreement for the Commissioners approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the 2019 KDHE Universal Contract grant agreement along with all the attachments. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Chrisman-Smith left the meeting at 11:03 a.m.

11:03 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director; Josh Beckham and Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer were in with updates.

Mr. Bachenberg, County Engineer was in with an engineering agreement for the U.7-8.0 Bridge

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the engineering between Kirkham Michael and Kingman County for the U.7-8.0 Bridge in the East Ninnescah Township. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Beckham went over the repairs that would need to be made to FAS #12 Bridge and cost estimates of repairing it or replacing it.

Mr. Beckham said the cost estimate for the repair would be \$204,600.00.

Commissioners discussed that the road needs to be opened as soon as possible.

Mr. Arensdorf said that the funding for the repair of the FAS #12 Bridge would be paid with the sales tax money.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to repair FAS#12 Bridge and have Kirkham Michael put together the engineering plan for the repair. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Josh Beckham discussed Bridge in Valley Township X.02-21.2 and the condition that it is in. The estimated repair to fix the bridge would be \$253,000.00.

Commissioners decided to put the Valley Township bridge on hold for now.

Mr. Beckham, Mr. Arensdorf and Mr. Bachenberg left the meeting at 12:03 p.m.

12:03 p.m. Ryan Nance, EIS Solutions; Bob Adair, Phillips 66 and Rich Johnson, Phillips 66 were in to discuss the 24" pipeline that they will be having come from Wyoming to Texas and that they will be in the County purchasing right-of-way for the line to be placed.

Chairman Steffen asked if they could let the board know what the pressure rate will be coming through.

Chairman Steffen asked about the depth of the line. Mr. Johnson let them know that he will look into it but he believes that it will 48" inches.

Commissioner Henning said that he would like for them to make sure that they have a contact available for questions.

Mr. Johnson; Mr. Adair and Mr. Nance left the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

Mr. Goetz was in to discuss the insurance with the County Commissioners and what their thoughts were on the plans presented.

Mr. Goetz discussed the nuisance complaint in Murdock and that it is getting worse.

The Commissioners discussed the budget and funding of requests received.

Commissioners agreed to keep the County Health Insurance Plan the same for 2020 and would like a letter to go out letting the Employees know that the County cannot keep paying the increase in Health Insurance so there may be more out of pocket expense to the employee in 2021.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 1:44 p.m.
Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.