

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ON November 4, 2019

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Those present:

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

Visitors: Jason Jump, Kingman Leader Courier; Larry Landwehr; Richard Chandler, AEP Representative

Staff: Mark Schnittker, Courthouse Maintenance; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer 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.

No additions were suggested.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the agenda as presented. 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 comment.

Larry Landwehr said "Good Morning."

The County Commissioners discussed the light bulbs for the Christmas lights.

8:11 a.m. Mark Schnittker, Courthouse Maintenance was in to discuss the light bulbs for the candelabra's.

The County Commissioners would like to move forward with the light bulbs.

The County Commissioners discussed the original ceiling in the Commission room.

County Clerk submitted the minutes of October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Commission Minutes. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Steffen discussed the sales tax for the month of October 2019.

The County Commissioners went over quotes received for the Christmas Party Dinner.

Shad & Nancy Milford \$1020.00

West Café on the Go \$1190.00  
Sons of Brisket \$1190.00

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the quote from Shad & Nancy Milford in the amount of \$1020.00 to be paid by the County Commissioners personally. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

County Commissioners approved the following abatements:

ABATEMENT	
2019000302	-403.84
2019000303	-671.80

8:52 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director was in to see the County Commissioners to submit the Planning/Zoning minutes for their review.

Mr. Goetz discussed the road closing that was submitted to the planning commission. The Planning Commission tabled it until the next board meeting in November.

Mr. Goetz invited Richard Chandler to the meeting and introduced Charles Arensdorf and Steve Bachenberg to him before discussions were started.

Mr. Chandler let the Commissioners know that his company has good news for the County. The Flat Ridge III project will be moving forward. Mr. Chandler is with AEP and they purchased the windfarm project. Mr. Chandler thanked the Commissioners for their help because without all their work it would not be possible.

The windfarm will be 62 turbines with 128 megawatts and the project will break ground in Spring of 2020 and should be finished in the fourth quarter of 2020.

Mr. Chandler discussed the road agreement with the County Commissioners, Charles Arensdorf and Steve Bachenberg.

Mr. Chandler invited the County Commissioners, Mr. Arensdorf and Mr. Goetz to the landowner meeting and dinner tonight at the Expo Center from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Arensdorf told Mr. Chandler that having an action plan helps the project.

Mr. Chandler left the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to amend the agenda to add opening of vehicle bids for Sheriff Randy Hill at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

10:00 a.m. Sheriff Randy Hill and the County Commissioners received the following bid:  
Newberry Family Motors LLC \$100,095.00 for three 2020 Ford Interceptors

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the bid of \$100,095.00 for three 2020 Ford Interceptors. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Sheriff Randy Hill left the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

10:06 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in to discuss the Township consultation request from Kingman Township drainage site between Sections 20 & 29.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the consultation request for Kingman Township. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Steve Bachenberg updated the Commissioners on projects.

Mr. Bachenberg asked if John Caton, County Counselor had a chance to look at the FLAP Agreement.

Mr. Caton said the agreement looks fine and can be signed. Mr. Bachenberg let them know that the Counties share would be \$10,000.00 and if the project would be let in 2022.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the FLAP Agreement with the County share being \$10,000.00. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Bachenberg and Mr. Arensdorf left the meeting at 10:49 a.m.

10:49 a.m. Stan Goetz was in to discuss the planning/zoning board member vacancy.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that he has a state audit this afternoon.

Mr. Goetz submitted the following building permits:

1. Eric Ruckle for a shed in Section 8, Township 28, Range 10W.
2. Mark Vierthaler for a house/garage in Section 30, Township 29, Range 10W.

The Commissioners discussed with Mr. Goetz about the open position or positions for the Law Enforcement Center.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 11:28 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.