

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON December 9, 2019

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on December 9th, 2019. Those present:

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

Visitors: Carol Voran; Larry Landwehr; Jason Jump, Kingman Leader-Courier; Zachary Bieghler, Kingman EMS Director

Staff: Matthew Ricke, County Attorney; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Amber Hartley, Interim County Appraiser; John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director; Sheriff Hill; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Staci Jackson, District Court Clerk

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

Commissioner Henning asked if there were any additions to the agenda.

Commissioner Henning would like to discuss windfarm traffic; RFP's and an email from Martin Lohrke.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the agenda with the addition of discussion of the windfarm traffic; RFP's and an email from Martin Lohrke. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioner Henning asked if there was any public comment.

Larry Landwehr said "Good Morning".

Carol Noblit said that the City festivities were great.

County Clerk submitted the minutes of the November 18th, 2019 Commission Meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the minutes of the November 18th, 2019 Commission Meeting. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

8:15 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director was in and thanked the Commissioners for the Christmas Dinner on Friday.

Mr. Goetz discussed with the County Commissioners about the Planning Boards recommendation to close the road. The Commissioners discussed the trees that were put in the road.

Matthew Ricke was in to represent one of the landowners involved in the request to close the road.

Mr. Ricke discussed the entrances around the property.

Mr. Goetz said that there would be no decision made at the meeting because a unanimous vote could not be made because Commissioner Steffen is gone. Mr. Goetz said that the decision will have to be postponed until the December 23rd, 2019 Commission meeting.

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

Mr. Goetz discussed the Economic Development Director position and the pay discussed for approval by the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve \$40,000.00 for the Economic Development Director and \$5,000.00 start up for a total of \$45,000.00. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Goetz reviewed the Department Head Meeting minutes with the County Commissioners.

Commissioner Henning discussed with Mr. Goetz that the County Commissioners would like to receive copies of the RFP's (Request for Proposals) before they go out.

Commissioner Henning discussed the Windfarm traffic and the big cranes that are being used to fix wind turbines.

Mr. Goetz would like to bring up this discussion again when Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director is in.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session with Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton, County Counselor at 8:57 a.m. to discuss an individual employee's evaluation 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 to be discussed, and they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 9:03 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 9:03 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session with Amber Hartley, Interim County Appraiser; Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton, County Counselor at 9:04 a.m. to discuss an individual employee's evaluation 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 to be discussed, and they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 9:15 a.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the majority vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:15 a.m. with no binding action taken.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve Resolution 2019-R14, A RESOLUTION APPOINTING COUNTY APPRAISER PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 19-430 AND APPROVING THE FORM OF A COUNTY APPRAISER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH APPOINTMENT. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the majority vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the County Appraiser Employment Agreement for Amber Hartley. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the majority vote.

Ms. Hartley left the meeting at 9:22 a.m.

Mr. Goetz submitted building permits for the following:

1. Kevin Schrag for a Livestock shed in Section 6, Township 27, Range 05W.
2. Bill Osner for an attached garage in Section 9, Township 27, Range 10W.

Mr. Goetz left the meeting at 9:28 a.m.

9:30 a.m. Zachary Bieghler, Kingman EMS Director was in to go over the 2019 3rd Quarter budget report with the County Commissioners.

Mr. Bieghler discussed that they have established a reserve fund and extra funds will be placed into this fund to make future equipment purchases.

Mr. Bieghler went over his EMS stats with the Commissioners.

Mr. Bieghler let the Commissioners know the new employees that have been hired. A Full-Time paramedic: Michaela Youngers; Part-Time EMTs: Walt Smith, Rachel Schneider and Maddie Rhodes and Rescue: Tyler Esposito. The EMT class is wrapping up with 6 students anticipated to finish. EMS held its 3rd annual "Fill the Ambulance" food drive for the Kingman Foodbank on December 7th and 8th.

Mr. Bieghler left the meeting at 9:52 a.m.

9:53 a.m. John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director was in to open chemical bids. The following bids were received

Van Diest
Individual pricing received

Continental Research
Individual pricing received for multi spread 25.90 for 5 gallons

MARC (Mid-American Research Chemical)
M19 26.87 per gallon
M45 65.34 per gallon Judgment Day -Roundup

SIMS
Individual pricing received

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to table the bids until December 16, 2019 Commission Meeting. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve a Cereal Malt Beverage License for Spike's Place. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to recess the Board meeting at 10:12 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to reconvene the Board meeting at 10:16 a.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote of the County Commissioners.

10:17 a.m. Sheriff Hill presented the monthly reports for October 2019 and November 2019 for the Commissioners review.

Sheriff Hill was in with a request for storage and was looking to purchase a 20ft sturdy-bilt container and place it over in the fenced in area. Sheriff Hill would also like to lease a 40 ft container temporarily to hold items during the construction.

Commissioner Henning discussed that maybe 3-20ft containers would be better so that moving them would be easier.

Sheriff Hill would like to change his request to 3-20ft containers instead of one 20 ft and one 40ft container.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the purchase of 3-20ft containers for the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote of the County Commissioners.

Sheriff Hill left the meeting at 10:33 a.m.

10:34 a.m. Staci Jackson, District Court Clerk was in to talk to the County Commissioners about the Computers in the District Court System and the cost of replacement.

Ms. Jackson left the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

10:54 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in to let the County Commissioners know that the letting date for FAS #12 Bridge Repair is set for January 13, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed the application that was submitted for the bridge repair and the response that was sent to him.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted the November financial reports for his department for the Commissioners to review.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed with the Commissioners about the teleconference last week with the wind farm. The Wind Farm requested to use AB1 on Township roads instead of AB3.

Commissioner Henning discussed the wind farm hauling a crane down the County black top and they had stopped to put weights on. Commissioner Henning said we need to incorporate something to help with this moving forward.

Mr. Caton said that maybe we need to let the wind farms know that they need to let Mr. Arensdorf know when they plan on driving the big cranes down the County or Township roads.

Mr. Goetz discussed the tele-conference with the Wind Farm last week.

Mr. Arensdorf said that he felt that the agreement should be signed after the action plan has been established.

Mr. Goetz left the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the quote for the District Court Computers in the amount of \$32,097.74. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with the majority vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Jackson left the meeting at 11:51 a.m.

11:51 a.m. Mark Schnittker, Courthouse Maintenance was in to discuss putting no parking signs in front of the trash can and the garage on the East side. The Commissioners agreed to put no parking signs.

Mr. Schnittker asked about the damage to the Expo Center pickup and if it was going to be fixed.

The County Clerk let Mr. Schnittker know that she would get in touch with KCAMP and see what they will do.

Mr. Schnittker talked to the County Commissioners about the old air conditioners from the old buildings on main street and if they can be disposed of.

The Commissioners agreed to dispose of the old air conditioners.

The County Commissioners signed County Vouchers in the amount of \$144,445.87.

The County Commissioners signed Road & Bridge Vouchers in the amount of \$71,690.07.

The County Commissioners signed the following Abatements, Additions and Escapes:

ABATEMENTS		ABATEMENTS	
2019000350	0.00	2019000352	-18.02
2019000353	-18.02	2019000354	-11.76
2019000355	-107.32	2019000356	-175.58
2019000358	-258.18	2019000360	-51.74
2019000362	-4.00	2019000363	-3.90
2019000364	-4.20	2019000365	-3.82
2019000366	-3.72	2019000367	-4.20
2019000368	-120.60	2019000369	-136.06
2019000370	-134.64	2019000371	-198.98
ADDITIONS		ESCAPES	
2019000346	+10.00	2019000333	+14.00
2019000357	+175.58	2019000361	+51.74
2019000359	+258.22		

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:10 p.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote by the County Commissioners.