

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON February 10th, 2020

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on February 10th, 2020. 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; Andrea Wood, Extension Agent; Kallie Turner, Extension Agent; Michael Clover, Extension Board Chairman; Mike Floyd, Extension Board member; Kristen Floyd, 4H Member; John Riggins, Kirkham, Michael and Associates, Inc.; Chessica Garten; Tyler Garten; Greta Rosenhagen; Coye Stucky; Alea Boos; Delaney Arensdorf; Kaitlyn Seiwert; Anna Livingston; Janelle Belt; Brant Floyd; Kael McBeth; Payton Willert; Cassidy Blank; Susan Floyd; Lon Floyd; Brian Rosenhagen; Jason Belt; Jeulia Francis; Mary J Sullivan, Regional Extension Director; Mark Schlegel; Troy Smith, KDWPT; Joe Kramer, Ducks Unlimited; Stuart Schrag, KDWPT; Kenneth Glenn; Suzanne Stillwell; Mark Stillwell; Ron Kinsler; Mary Maloney; Alan Albers; Pat Maloney; Richard Chandler, AEP; Patricia Voth, AEP Attorney.

Staff: Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse; Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer; Susan Hubbell, Register of Deeds and Amber Hartley, County Appraiser.

Chairman Steffen called the Board of County Commissioners Meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

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

Carol Noblit, County Clerk would like to add discussion of the dog program by the Extension Office.

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

Chairman Steffen asked if there was any public comment.

No Comment was made.

1:00 p.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in with John Riggins, Kirkham Michael for the Engineering services contract for FAS #12.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve Engineering Services from Kirkham Michael in the amount of \$22,943.95 for FAS #12. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted quotes received from Nancy Milford and Sons of Brisket for catering for the Township Annual Meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen moved to approve the quote from Sons of Brisket for the catering for the Township Annual Meeting. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted Resolution 2020-R3 for the commissioners to review and discuss. Mr. Arensdorf requested changes to the Resolution before approval.

Commissioners tabled the Resolution until the next meeting which will be held on February 24th, 2020.

Mr. Arensdorf and Mr. Bachenberg left the meeting at 1:27 p.m

Chairman Steffen read correspondence received from the Extension Council about the Dog Project and the request to reduce rates for use of the Expo Center.

Chairman Steffen read correspondence from Reece Allen about the Dog Project and what it does for him.

Commissioners discussed the concerns of giving a reduced rate.

Mrs. Wood let the Commissioners know that when the dog project uses the facility they clean up after they use it.

Chairman Steffen discussed that the Commissioners gave plenty of notice before the charges were being enforced.

Chairman Steffen said "Not everything can be paid with tax dollars."

Commissioner Henning discussed his thoughts on the Expo Center usage.

Mike Floyd discussed that the 4H members work hard to get things ready before and after the fair.

Ms. Turner discussed the work that the 4-Hers do with the County Commissioners.

Mary Sullivan, Regional Extension Director was in to discuss Districting for the Extension Office and the benefits.

Chairman Steffen asked if they could get a special meeting together to discuss districting and fee structure.

Commissioners discussed the cost for the dog project. No decision was made at this time.

Mike Floyd said that they could get a committee together to come up with a proposal to present to the Commissioners for Expo Center usage.

Amber Hartley, County Appraiser was in with a quotes from KOMTEK Systems Corporation for \$3916.00 and Postalocity for \$3447.10 to mail out valuation notices. Ms. Hartley would like to use KOMTEK Systems Corporation.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to go with KOMTEK Systems Corporation for \$3,916.00. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Hartley left the meeting at 2:27 p.m.

2:27 p.m. Sheriff Randy Hill was in with a lien from Kanza Bank for the replaced police interceptor.

Sheriff Hill said that working with KCAMP on the damaged vehicle was good.

Sheriff Hill and Ms. Kinsler left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

County Commissioners signed Road & Bridge vouchers in the amount of \$35,215.83.

County Commissioners signed County vouchers in the amount of \$126,319.84.

2:32 p.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director was in with a letter from NextEra Energy on a route they are going to use for hauling and they let Charles Arensdorf know also.

Mr. Goetz submitted the Department Head Meeting minutes for the Commissioners to review.

Mr. Goetz submitted the Planning/Zoning bylaws for the Commissioners review. Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that he will be presenting changes to the bylaws to the zoning board and to discuss how many members are needed and what would make a quorum.

Mr. Goetz left the meeting at 2:41 p.m.

2:44 p.m. Kristen Floyd read a message about the usage of the Expo Center and the fees that are to be charged to the 4-Hers. Also, in the message Ms. Floyd discussed what the impact the 4-H Fair and FFA Rodeo have to the economy. Ms. Floyd submitted the Rodeo programs that are put out to promote businesses in the County.

Commissioner Henning discussed that there was plenty of notice ahead of the charges being charged. Also, Commissioner Henning said that there is a lot of support for 4H and thought maybe they would get donations to pay for the usage of the Expo Center. Commissioner Henning said that he is not willing to say that 4H can use the facility for nothing.

Commissioner Foley said they discussed earlier about the charges.

Chairman Steffen discussed charges that are currently being charged for the facility.

Chessica Garten discussed expenses and income for the Rodeo.

3:17 p.m. Mark Shlegel, Ducks Unlimited was in to discuss a wildlife area and purchasing property and changing it from tillable to grass land. Would like the Commissioners to write a letter in support to the Ag Department for the land being added to the Byron Walker Wildlife area.

3:28 p.m. Stacey Hoeme, Greg Glunz and Dennis Dutton with PRO KS are landowners who are in to talk about the Phillips 66 pipeline. They have negotiated with Phillips 66 but the liability to landowners is a concern. They discussed how Phillips 66 is strong arming landowners if they don't agree to Phillips 66 terms.

Mr. Glunz gave copies of the letters that some counties are writing to the County Commissioners.

Mr. Glunz discussed a lease that the landowners received this last Friday and that they need to have an answer to Phillips 66 by February 14th, 2020.

Mr. Glunz talked of his concerns for the landowners if they were to dig and damage one of the lines. Who would be liable for the damage?

Commissioners discussed that Kansas has a one call law.

Mr. Caton asked Mr. Glunz if they are asking the County Commissioners to write a letter stating that they are looking into claiming a moratorium against the construction of pipelines within the county.

Kingman County landowners that are dealing with the Phillips 66 pipeline were in attendance.

The County Commissioners were in agreement that they will send a letter.

Mr. Glunz, Mr. Hoeme and Mr. Dutton left the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Steffen moved to go into executive session with John Caton, County Counselor; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works and Stan Goetz at 4:15 p.m. to discuss pending administrative decisions pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of matters which would be deemed privileged under the attorney-client relationship, and will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 4:30 p.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 4:30 p.m. with no binding action taken.

4:30 p.m. Richard Chandler and Patricia Voth with AEP were in to discuss the road agreement. Mr. Chandler thanked the Commissioners for their due diligence on the road agreement and it is a good agreement to protect the County but they would like to see 4a removed from the document.

Chairman Steffen said that they want to keep 4a. Mr. Steffen told Mr. Chandler that he doesn't feel good about this project.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed his concerns for the roads in the road agreement with the Commissioners; Mr. Chandler and Ms. Voth.

Commissioner Henning discussed with Mr. Chandler and Ms. Voth what Mr. Arensdorf said.

Chairman Steffen discussed to Mr. Chandler that road agreements for the other projects would of been different if the Commissioners knew then, what they know now.

Commissioner Foley asked Mr. Chandler if they have a contact for windfarm questions. Mr. Chandler said that they do have a project manager.

Chairman Steffen let Mr. Chandler and Ms. Voth know that they will meet in two weeks because of the Holiday next week.

Mr. Arensdorf let Mr. Chandler know that the Action Plan is pretty much done.

Mr. Chandler and Ms. Voth left the meeting at 5:23 p.m.

5:23 p.m. Susan Hubbell, Register of Deeds was in to invite the County Commissioners to the County legislative day on February 27, 2020 at the State Capitol.

Ms. Hubbell left the meeting at 5:33 p.m.

The County Commissioners signed the following abatements:

ABATEMENTS		ABATEMENTS	
2020000040	185.28	2020000041	0.00
2020000042	0.00		

The County Clerk submitted the minutes of the February 3rd, 2020 Commission meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the minutes of the February 3rd, 2020 Commission meeting. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners discussed an NRP for Jim Park. Mr. Park had submitted proof that he not received tax statement due to his mortgage company.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve having Mr. Park's NRP reinstated due to clerical error. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 6:05 p.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.