
MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON June 29th, 2020

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on June 29th, 2020. Those present:

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

Visitors online: Melissa Romme, Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball Chtd.; Jami Benycheck, Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball Chtd.

Visitors: Jason Jump, Kingman Leader Courier; Anita Drake, Council on Aging; Zachary Bieghler, Kingman EMS Director; Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director.

Staff: Amanda Stucky, Field Appraiser; Tim Elliott, Deputy Treasurer; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director; Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse & Richard Schott, Emergency Manager.

Chairman Steffen called the Board of County Commissioners Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

Commissioner Henning gave an invocation.

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

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the agenda as presented. 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 Public Comment was made.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes of the June 15th, 2020 Commission Meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the minutes of the June 15th, 2020 Commission meeting. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

8:36 a.m. Anita Drake, Council on Aging Director was in with the 2021 budget request.

Ms. Drake said the request was down due to two new staff members.

Ms. Drake left the meeting at 8:42 a.m.

8:42 a.m. Amanda Stucky, Field Appraiser was in to request a first time extension for Justin & Cindy Belt's NRP.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to give an extension on NRP for Justin & Cindy Belt. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

8:43 a.m. Tim Elliott, Deputy Treasurer was in with documents to be signed by the Commissioners for Ninescah Valley Bank.

Mr. Elliott left the meeting at 8:44 a.m.

The County Commissioners discussed the chairs that were reupholstered by Rita Strohl are very nice and she did a wonderful job.

8:50 a.m. Linda Langley, Internal Auditor was in to discuss the County budget.

Commissioner Foley discussed how much it would cost to buy down the mill levy.

Commissioner Henning discussed that the County cannot continue to pay the increases in Health insurance year after year.

Commissioner Steffen discussed that the exemptions that the State approve effects the Counties across the state.

The County Commissioners discussed having a meeting with the Department Heads about the Health Insurance.

9:34 a.m. Zachary Bieghler, Kingman EMS Director was in with the 2020 2nd Quarter report.

Mr. Bieghler left the meeting at 9:44 a.m.

9:44 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director was in to let the Commissioners know that Jeremy Gilson, Gallagher Benefits will be in next week to discuss the Health benefits.

Chairman Steffen asked if we should look for new Health benefit broker.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that he feels that we have a good company.

Mr. Goetz came in with a vacation extension for signatures.

Mr. Goetz submitted a form for Kasey White for dispatcher.

Mr. Goetz submitted a form from Jeremy Webb to go to part-time.

Mr. Goetz submitted the following building permits:

1. Tom & Connie Ford for a house in Section 15, Township 29, Range 10W.
2. Sam & Tiffani Allen for a house in Section 26, Township 29, Range 05W.
3. Ron Brozek for a house in Section 4, Township 27, Range 05W.
4. Kent Moore for an attached garage in Section 8, Township 29, Range 09W.
5. Sara Voyles for a Chicken Coop in Section 11, Township 30, Range 07W.

~~10:00 a.m. Bid Opening for the Courthouse Window Project. The following bid was received.~~

GCI Construction for \$178,000.00.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the bid from GCI Construction for \$178,000.00. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Giefer, Mr. Foos and Mr. Lloyd left the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

10:08 a.m. Jami Benycheck, Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball Chtd. and Melissa Romme, Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball Chtd. went over the 2019 County Audit.

Ms. Romme reviewed the draft of the 2021 Budget with the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the 2019 County Audit. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Langley left the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

11:33 a.m. Leslie Schrag, Kingman Economic Development Director was in with the Fair Board budget request of \$11,500.00.

Ms. Schrag, presented her June report to the County Commissioners and updated them on projects she is working on.

Ms. Schrag submitted a letter for the Commissioners to sign for their support of the Broadway park phase I project.

Ms. Schrag left the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

11:45 a.m. Dennis Glascock introduced Michael Murphy, candidate for State Representative District #114 to the County Commissioners.

Mr. Glascock and Mr. Murphy left the meeting at 11:48 a.m.

11:48 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in to have the B.3-5.0 Bridge Contracts signed and the 2020 Hot Mix Overlay Contracts to be signed.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted May financial reports for the Commissioners to review.

Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know that he has a conference call on the FLAP project tomorrow.

Mr. Arensdorf left the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

12:12 p.m. Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse and Richard Schott, Emergency Management Director were in with COVID updates.

Mr. Schott let the Commissioners know that he has received 3ply masks and kn95 masks.

The County Commissioners discussed the 2021 budget with Ms. Schwartz.

Mr. Schott went over the SPARK-Cares Act conference call that was held Friday and Kingman County is to receive \$1,435,053.00 and it is to be distributed out to entities throughout the County that has been affected by COVID.

Mr. Schott discussed the administering of the SPARK funding. July 6th, 2020 is the deadline to have a point of contact. Also, a resolution is needed to accept the funding and Mr. Schott submitted it for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve Resolution 2020-R14. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The Commissioners appointed Carol Noblit, County Clerk as the point of contact for the SPARK program.

Mr. Schott will get in touch with entities to put together a committee for the SPARK funding discussion.

Ms. Schartz and Mr. Schott left the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Chairman Steffen signed transfers in the amount of \$4,527.09 for May 2020.

The Commissioners approved the following abatements:

ABATEMENTS	
2020000066	-13.22
2020000067	-12.00

1:25 p.m. John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director was in to let the Commissioners know that he has a repair needed for his garage door on the building.

The Commissioners approved the repair as long as it is under \$750.00 and if it goes over then they would like for him to come back in.

The County Commissioners signed County vouchers in the amount of \$330,647.51.

The County Commissioners signed Road & Bridge vouchers in the amount of \$104,064.16.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 1:38 p.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.
