

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON November 23rd, 2020

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on November 23rd, 2020. Those present:

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

Visitors Online: Trace Salzbrenner, Kingman Leader-Courier; Ashley Keinig; Kingman County Activity Center; Shanna Henry; Heather Kinsler; Jack Thimesch; Staci Jackson; Joyce; Lucky Keller; Kingman Emergency Manager; Caller 01; Caller 02; Caller 03; Caller 04; Caller 05; Tammy Miller & Chrissy Bartel.

Staff: Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer; Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor & 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.

Chairman Steffen gave an invocation.

Chairman Steffen asked if there was any public comment.

No public comment was made.

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

County Clerk Carol Noblit let them know that Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director will not be in.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the agenda with the changes of Charles Arensdorf not coming in. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

8:32 a.m. Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer was in to let the Commissioners know that tax statements have went out.

Ms. Luntsford was in to ask for the purchase of four more laptops from Iconic IT for \$6,512.18 as she found out that being quarantined they did not have enough computers for work at home.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the purchase of four more computers, docking stations and sheetfed scanner from Iconic IT in the amount of \$6,512.18. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

County Clerk submitted the minutes of the November 16th, 2020 Regular board meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the minutes of the November 16th, 2020 Commission meeting. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed the Public Building Commission appointments to the board.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to have the following appointments to the Public Building Commission Board:

Scott DeWeese- President and will expire January 1, 2024

John Steffen-board member will expire January 1, 2023

Richard Schott- board member will expire January 1, 2024

Joe Harbert- board member will expire December 31, 2021

Greg Reno-Secretary will expire December 31, 2022

Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed a resolution for community enhancement gifts for Nashville, Zenda and Spivey.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve Resolution 2020-R22, A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT GIFTS TO CITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

9:00 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR was in with the Hinkle law Welfare Benefit plan for Kingman County for the Commissioners signatures.

Mr. Goetz submitted a hire packet for a new deputy for the Sheriff's Department to fill the vacancy.

Mr. Goetz submitted the following building permit:

1. Thomas Bell for a Green house in Section 29, Township 27, Range 09W.

Mr. Goetz left the meeting and will return later.

Commissioners discussed the Governor's Executive Order No. 20-68.

9:54 a.m. Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse was in to discuss the cases in the County and the Governor's executive order.

Chairman Steffen read correspondence received from Sedgwick County Commissioners about the COVID spread.

Commissioner Henning said that we need to be consistent with people.

Commissioner Steffen said that wearing masks is important and suggested three options: 1) Opt out and continue with what we are doing, 2) take no action and the Governor's order goes into effect or 3) make our own mandate which is more stringent.

Commissioner Steffen discussed the usage of the Kingman Expo Center.

Commissioner Steffen asked if Lucky Keller could talk to the Board and he was given the go ahead.

Mr. Keller discussed the numbers that attend their events. The next one scheduled is the 12th and 13th of December.

Commissioners let Mr. Keller know that the events need to comply with wearing masks and social distancing.

Mr. Keller said that he will do a video letting attendees know that they need to wear masks to participate and if it isn't complied with then events will be shut down.

Mr. Keller discussed that kids don't have much they can do socially now and he would appreciate giving them this opportunity.

Commissioners agreed to allow the event as long as wearing masks and keeping social distance can be maintained.

10:56 a.m. Linda Langley, Internal Auditor was in to discuss the unawarded grant money of \$147,667.73 and how they would allocate the remaining as follows:

City of Kingman: Utility Assistance	\$10,000.00	
City of Norwich: Utility Assistance	\$10,000.00	
USD 331: Add'l need for technology	\$45,000.00	
USD 332: Add'l need for Technology & Scrubber	\$45,000.00	
St. Pat's: Add'l need for technology equipment	\$6,000.00	
	\$116,000.00	Total
Kingman County: County needs	\$31,667.73	
	\$147,667.73	Grand Total

Ms. Langley went over the planned expenditures for the County.

Mr. Schott presented the County Commissioners with Memorandum of Agreement for USD 331; USD 332 & St. Pat's additional funding.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to accept the Memorandum of Agreement for USD 331 for additional spark funding of \$45,000.00. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to accept the Memorandum of Agreement from USD 332 for additional spark funding of \$45,000.00. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to accept the Memorandum of Agreement from St. Pat's for additional spark funding of \$6,000.00. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley move to accept the Memorandum of Agreement to give additional spark funding of \$31,667.73. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to re-allocate the funding for Youth Core ministries. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Schott submitted an appointment that is needed for a Title 6 Civil Rights representative.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to appoint Richard Schott to the Title 6 Civil Rights representative for the Emergency Management Department. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed limited access to the Courthouse by appointment only. All Departments decide if they want their employees to wear masks and all visitors must wear masks by County policy.

Susan Hubbell, Register of Deeds was in to discuss entry into her office.

Commissioners let Ms. Hubbell know that she can let entry into her office as she sees fit.

Commissioner Henning discussed with Charles Arensdorf on the phone that Joe Hill from Union township road work that is being done this week. Mr. Henning said that he would talk with Union township and have them submit the bill to Mr. Arensdorf.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the purchase of twelve phones from AT & T with Spark funding. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the purchase of a fever warm thermometer with Spark funding in the amount of \$1,158.00. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the purchase of AV System with Spark funding in the amount of \$26,674.40 for the District Court. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

11:52 a.m. Ms. Schwartz was in with a Resolution No. 2020-R23, A Resolution relating to the use of face masks or other face coverings in public, within Kingman County, Kansas for Commissioners to review.

Commissioners agreed to let Heartland Youth Rodeo to still hold their event in December as long as they wear masks and maintain social distancing.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve Resolution No. 2020-R23, **A RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE USE OF FACE MASKS OR OTHER FACE COVERINGS IN PUBLIC, WITHIN KINGMAN COUNTY, KANAS.** Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

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

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

Chairman Steffen moved to recess the board meeting at 12:19 p.m.

Chairman Steffen reconvened the regular board meeting at 1:08 p.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 1:10 p.m. Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the majority vote of the County Commissioners.