

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON February 22nd, 2021

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on February 22nd, 2021. Those present:

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

Visitors Online: Viewer 2; Tammy Miller; Shanna Henry; Joyce; Linda Lanterman and Caller 03

Visitors: Mike Garrett, Horizon Mental Health Administrator; Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director

Staff: Amanda Stucky, Field Appraiser; Amber Hartley, County Appraiser; Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse; Richard Schott, Emergency Manager; Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer; Mark Schnittker, Courthouse Maintenance; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director; Sheriff Randy Hill

Chairman Henning 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 Foley gave an invocation.

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

Commissioner Thimesch would like to add conference call at 11:00 a.m.

John Caton, County Counselor would like to add a hearing for ideatek during Charlie's time.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the agenda with the addition of a conference call at 11:00 a.m. and a hearing for ideatek. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning asked if there was any public comment.

No public comment was made.

8:35 a.m. Mike Garrett, Horizons Mental Health Director was in to go over the Community Mental Health Center System of Care in Kansas. He let them know that two individuals from Kingman County are on the board.

Mr. Garrett went over the financial statement for six months of their year.

Mr. Garrett reviewed the Customer Satisfaction survey results with the County Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed the lack of beds for mental health patients.

Mr. Garrett left the meeting at 9:01 a.m.

9:01 a.m. Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director was in with a name of an individual for the position on the Economic Development Advisory Committee.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve Sharon Rowan for a position on the Economic Development Advisory Committee. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Schrag submitted the following bids that the City of Kingman received for a new Economic Development website:

Company	Cost	Cost/Yr
Jen Rus	\$5400.00	\$443.00
Jody Goetz	\$4000.00	\$325.00
New Boston	\$9800.00	\$375.00 or \$575.00
Olive	\$7500.00	\$1200.00
Pen Publishing	\$9850.00	\$2000.00

Ms. Schrag let the Commissioners know that the City of Kingman selected Olive for the website designer.

Chairman Henning let Ms. Schrag know that it would have been nice to have the Economic Development Advisory Committee in on the discussions of a new website designer.

Ms. Schrag submitted a copy of flyers that will be going out comparing taxes and where your dollars go.

Commissioners discussed with Ms. Schrag about rehabilitation of properties in Kingman.

Ms. Schrag left the meeting at 9:33 a.m.

9:33 a.m. Amanda Stucky, Field Appraiser

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to extend Betty Roberts NRP for one year. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Amber Hartley, Appraiser discussed that the ceiling in part of her office has fallen down and needs repaired and if the Commissioners would like to come view it she has time.

Chairman Henning recessed the meeting at 9:40 a.m. to go look at the Appraiser's office.

Chairman Henning called the meeting back to order at 9:45 a.m.

County Clerk submitted the Commission Meeting minutes of February 8th, 2021 for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the minutes of the February 8th, 2021 Commission meeting. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed information received from Greg Vahrenberg about bonding refinancing.

Commissioners signed and approved the county vouchers in the amount of \$130,039.96.

Commissioners signed the following abatements:

ABATEMENTS	
2021000026	-18.04
2021000027	-18.08
2021000028	-18.02

10:00 a.m. Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse was in with active COVID-19 cases are under ten.

Ms. Schwartz let the Commissioners know that the waste-water COVID-19 numbers have gone up since the fall.

Ms. Schwartz informed the Commissioners that last weeks shipment of vaccination did not come in last week and was rescheduled.

Ms. Schwartz submitted a Memorandum of Agreement for Mass Dispensing Site for the Commissioners to review and approval.

John Caton, County Counselor reviewed the legality of the document and it was sufficient.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the Memorandum of Agreement for a Mass Dispensing Site between the Kiingman County Health Department and Kingman Expo Center. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Richard Schott, Emergency Manager was in with an update that the reporting is being done for Witt O'Briens LLC and the Spark funding.

First Amendment of Agreement for the Kingman Theatre and Ninnescah Valley Bank for the Spark funding.

Mr. Schott let the Commissioners know that the Health Department trailer will be out this month.

Ms. Schwartz and Mr. Schott left the meeting at 10:32 a.m.

10:32 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director was in to discuss KPERS for an employee that is temporary full-time staff.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session with Stan Goetz, HR; Carol Noblit, County Clerk; Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer; Mark Schnittker, Courthouse Maintenance and John Caton, Counselor at 10:36 a.m. to discuss 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(s) to be discussed, and will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 10:55 p.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners returned to regular session at 10:55 a.m.

Chairman Henning asked Mr. Schnittker to get information from contractors on fixing the thresholds on the second floor and the ceiling tiles in the Appraiser's office.

Mr. Schnittker and Ms. Luntsford left the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in to discuss information received from ideatek on the fees that were charged for utility easements.

Commissioners discussed the complaint received from ideatek and felt that the fees shall stay in place.

Linda Lanterman with the State of Kansas Wildlife and Parks would prefer that the County keep the FLAP project and they would help with the other funding needed. If the County would do it on their own then she could not help with it.

Ms. Lanterman let the Commissioners know that if the County could pay \$200,000.00 then she would be able to pay the rest of the matching funds for the FLAP Project.

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

Mr. Arensdorf submitted a permit for Haviland Telephone to lay fiber optic to residences in Section 11 & 15, Section 9 & 16 and Section 14 & 23, Township 30, Range 05W.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted his departments January report for the Commissioners review.

Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know that there is a 2021 Asphalt Bid Quotes scheduled for March 8, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. and a Hot Mix Overlay Bid Letting-FAS 607 for March 15, 2021.

Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know the gates at the landfill received payment of \$587.78 after \$2500.00 deductible.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted a draft notification letter to KDHE on the Buffer zone distance adjustment of the Kingman County C/D Landfill and discussed the reason for the notification to KDHE with the County Commissioners.

Commissioners agreed that the draft letter was okay to move forward with getting it sent out.

Mr. Arensdorf left the meeting at 11:56 a.m.

11:56 a.m. Sheriff Randy Hill was in to discuss a leased copier from Office Solutions that is no longer working. Sheriff Hill received bids from Bolen Office Supply in the amount of \$5700.00 and Office Solutions Inc. in the amount of \$4306.30.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the bid from Office Solutions in the amount of \$4306.30 for a copier. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed the Law Enforcement Center and the issues with installation of windows and a vent in the basement.

Sheriff Hill left the meeting at 12:17 a.m.

Commissioners discussed an article in being placed in both county papers.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:30 p.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.