

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON JANUARY 13, 2014

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in regular session, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas, on January 13, 2014. Those Present:

Carol Voran, Chairperson
John Steffen, Commissioner
Fred Foley, Commissioner
Carol Noblit, Master County Clerk

Also present was the County Counselor, John Caton.

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

Commissioner Voran asked if there were any amendments to the agenda. Commissioner Steffen moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Voran seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Visitors: David Wiley, Community Corrections Director, Andrea Wood, County Extension Agent, Michael Owen, County Extension Agent, Janice Neville, Extension Board Member and Bruce Sterneker.

Staff: Nancy Borst, County Communications Coordinator, Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director, Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director, John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director, Jeff Cox, Noxious Weed Department, Matthew Ricke, County Attorney, Brandon Ritcha, Assistant County Attorney and Fred Simon, Emergency Preparedness Director.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Voran made a motion to recess for an Executive Session at 8:00 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, that Stan Goetz, Human Resources, Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and John Caton, County Counselor be included in the meeting to advise the Commissioners and that the Commissioners return to open session in the Board meeting room at 8:20 a.m. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

The County Commission returned to regular session at 8:20 a.m. No binding action was taken during the executive session.

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8:40 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

The County Commission returned to regular session at 8:40 a.m. No binding action was taken during the executive session.

At 8:45 a.m. Commissioner Voran moved that the County Commission be in recess and that the Commissioners convene as the Board of Canvassers to conduct the canvass of the votes cast in the Special Question Election held on January 7, 2014. Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

In addition to the Board of Canvassers, also present for the canvass were:
Nancy Borst, County Communications Coordinator

The County Election Officer presented to the Board of Canvassers the preliminary abstract of the election returns together with the ballots and records returned by the election board including two provisional ballots from the Special Question Election that was held on January 7, 2014. The Board of Canvassers reviewed the abstract of 2 provisional ballots and determined that the two provisional ballots should not be counted.

The Board of Canvassers approved the abstract of election returns with the total votes cast in the January 7, 2014 Special Question Election are as follows:

YES	115
NO	84
VOID PROVISIONALS	2
TOTAL VOTE:	199

Canvasser Voran made a motion to adjourn the Canvass of Special Election. Canvasser Steffen seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Canvassers.

Commissioner Voran called the Board of County Commissioners regular meeting to Order at 9:05 a.m.

9:05 a.m. David Wiley, Community Corrections Director met with the County Commission to request the funding that was appropriated for 2014 Truancy be distributed.

Mr. Wiley left the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

9:15 a.m. John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director and Jeff Cox, Noxious Weed Department were in with a department update. John and Jeff discussed the Recycle Center and the hours that Mr. Cox will be working. Also, Mr. Cox discussed what he has done at the Recycle Center and the time that he needs to put in at the center. Mr. Wimer also let the Commission know that he would be presenting a discussion regarding the importance of noxious weed control at the Activity Center on February 3, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Wimer also advised the Commissioners that he will work with the County Counselor to solicit proposals for a tank and truck to replace the Department's current vehicle.

Mr. Wimer and Mr. Cox left the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m. Andrea Wood, Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences & 4-H gave a Quarterly Commissioner Report and upcoming events. Michael Owen, Extension Agent for Agriculture, Natural Resources & 4-H gave a Quarterly Commissioner Report and discussed upcoming events.

Ms. Wood and Mr. Owen left the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes from the January 6, 2014 Commission meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve the minutes of January 6, 2014 with a change noting that the Salaried employees raise will be 3% or .50 cents per hour whichever is higher. Commissioner Foley seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

10:00 a.m. Matthew Ricke, County Attorney was in with Brandon Ritcha to discuss Mr. Ritcha being designated as Assistant County Attorney for Kingman County.

MOTION: Commissioner Voran made a motion to hire Mr. Ritcha as Assistant County Attorney at \$6000.00 per year and that the County provide health insurance benefits in accordance with County policies. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

Mr. Ricke and Mr. Ritcha left the meeting at 10:13 a.m.

10:15 a.m. Fred Simon, Emergency Preparedness Director was in to brief the Commission on the Regional Hazardous Materials Commodities Flow Study that Kingman County will be participating in.

Mr. Simon left the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

10:50 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director was in to discuss:

- Review the 2014 Labor Grades. He also thanked the Commissioners for the salary increase.
- Review draft for concealed carry of firearms by employees.
- Review Policy #32-Smoke Free Workplace.

Stan Goetz discussed the following Planning and Zoning Activity:

- Approved Zoning Permits for the following:
 1. Bill & Melissa Tetrick-Kitchen/Deck addition- SE Corner of SE4-Sec. 12-28-8 (Ninnescah West).
 2. Fred Puthoff -Cabin-SW4- Sec. 29-30-7 (Valley).

3. Duane Hilger –Shop/Shed –SW Corner of SE4- Sec.34-30-5 (Bennett).
- 2013 Zoning Permit recap.
 - Review John Caton’s draft for a new vacation/closing form and Application fees.

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The County Commission returned to regular session at 11:22 a.m. No binding action was taken during the executive session.

11:25 a.m. Nancy Borst, County Communications Coordinator discussed with the Commission the information regarding proposed legislation to eliminate Mortgage Registration Fees.

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-R4 entitled **A resolution of the Board of Kingman County Commissioners urging the Kansas Legislature and Governor Sam Brownback to retain the mortgage registration fee, as provided in K.S.A. 79-3102, and reject any or all legislative proposals abolishing such fee.**

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

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The County Commission returned to regular session at 11:35 a.m. No binding action was taken during the executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Voran made a motion to recess for an Executive Session at 11:35 p.m. for the purpose of preliminary discussions regarding possible acquisition of real property in order to protect the public interest in obtaining the property at fair price, that John Caton, County Counselor be included in the meeting to advise the Commissioners and that the Commissioners return to open session in the Board meeting room at 11:50 a.m. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

The County Commission returned to regular session at 11:50 a.m. No binding action was taken during the executive session.

MOTION: Commissioner Voran made a motion to adjourn the Board of Commissioners regular meeting at 11:50 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.