

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON July 27th, 2021

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on July 27th, 2021. Those present:

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

Visitors: Bob Morris, The Leader-Courier; Jeremy Gilson, Gallagher Benefits; Missy Tetrick, Fair Board; Eric Clouse, Fair Board; Susan Williams, Fair Board; Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director; John Markel, Kirkham Michael engineer; Matthew Hanson, Witt O'Briens LLC(Conference Call).

Staff: Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Amanda Stucky, Field Appraiser; Richard Schott, Emergency Manager and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director

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.

Chairman Henning gave an invocation.

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

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the majority vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning asked if there was any public comment.

No Comments made.

8:31 a.m. Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director was in to review the Dilapidated Structure Abatement Program with the Commissioners. Also, Ms. Schrag asked if the Cities could participate in the program.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve adding Cities to the dilapidated Structure Abatement Program. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the majority vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Schrag discussed Fabpro Oriented Polymers and that they are needing to add 20 employees.

Ms. Schrag left the meeting at 8:56 a.m.

8:56 a.m. Jeremy Gilson, Health Insurance Representative with Gallagher Benefits, Justin, Gallagher Benefits, Stan Goetz, HR were in to discussed how self-funding works.

Commissioners discussed that they want to keep good insurance for the employees.

Commissioners would like for Mr. Gilson(Health Insurance Representative) to put together a self-funding plan that they could review for next year.

Mr. Goetz submitted a promotion and a merit for two employees at the Sheriff's Department.

Mr. Goetz discussed the Mt. Vernon Church

Mr. Goetz discussed that Helen Friesen had purchased property in Murdock and she is still having people drive through it. Ms. Friesen would like to put up a barricade(fence) to keep individuals out.

John Caton, Counselor told Mr. Goetz if the road was never platted then it can be fenced off to keep people off the property.

9:30 a.m. Melissa Tetrick, Susan Williams and Eric Clouse with the Kingman County Fair Board were in with a request to add \$5,000.00 to their current budget of \$11,500.00 to help defray the cost of implementing a carnival in the city park for next year. The Fair Board feels that a carnival with rides would improve the attendance at the fair and allow it to be more family-oriented.

Ms. Tetrick, Ms. Williams and Mr. Clouse left the meeting at 9:46 a.m.

Mr. Goetz submitted the following building permits:

1. Josh & Jennifer Feiock for a swimming pool in Section 33, Township 28, Range 5.
2. Nathan Engel for a detached garage in Section 27, Township 27, Range 5.
3. Nick Smarsh for a shed in Section 11, Township 27, Range 5.
4. David Swinehart for a swim pool-above ground in Section 26, Township 30, Range 5.

9:49 a.m. Linda Langley, Internal Auditor was in to review the summary of current Road & Bridge Projects with the Commissioners.

Ms. Langley submitted Draft #4 of the Kingman County 2022 Budget and reviewed it with the Commissioners.

Ms. Langley left the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

10:31 a.m. Amanda Stucky, Field Appraiser was in to request an NRP extension for Brian & Andrea Wondell.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to extend Brian & Andrea Wondell's NRP project for one more year. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote by the County Commissioners.

Ms. Stucky left the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

The County Clerk submitted the July 19th,2021 Commission meeting minutes for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the July 19th,2021 Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote by the County Commissioners.

10:37 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in to discuss road damage cost for Invoice dated 7/24/2020.

Commissioners discussed the incident that happened last week with an individual about millings.

Mr. Arensdorf said that when projects are bid they could discuss millings disposal at that time to prevent an issue.

John Markel, PE consulting engineer from Kirkham Michael was in to review bids for the Bridge Repair Project M.0-7.5(Booster Station Bridge).

The bids received were the following:

Bridges, Inc.	\$339,846.00
L & M Contractors Inc.	\$364,028.50
Reece Construction	\$481,292.03

Engineer's estimate was \$318,694.50.

Mr. Markel said that the lowest bid is 6.6% over the engineer's estimate due to costs going up on materials.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the bid received from Bridges, Inc. in the amount of \$339,846.00. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote by the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted and reviewed the construction inspection contract for M.0-7.5 and would like to have an experienced inspector available for this project.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the construction inspection contract for M.0-7.5 with Kirkham Michael. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote by the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners opened the following fuel quotes:

Skyland Grain

\$2.82 unleaded gasoline no E-10 blend transport with minimum 1500 gallons

\$2.97 unleaded gasoline no E-10 blend by tank wagon minimum 1500 gallons

\$2.84 #1 Clear Diesel

\$2.57 #2 Diesel

Price quote good for contract period

Farmers Coop Pretty Prairie

\$2.855 unleaded gasoline no E-10 blend transport with minimum of 1500 gallons.

\$2.925 unleaded gasoline no E-10 blend by tank wagon minimum of 1500 gallons.

\$2.785 #1 Clear Diesel

\$2.585 #2 Diesel

Price quote good for contract period

Commissioners would like Mr. Arensdorf to review bids and get back with them next week.

Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know that water sampling at the Kingman County C/D Landfill is scheduled for August 10, 2021.

Commissioners signed County vouchers in the amount of \$123,339.45.
Commissioners recessed the meeting at 11:37 a.m.

Chairman Henning reconvened the meeting at 11:38 a.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to accept Clinton Schwartz's resignation from the Peters Township board. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote by the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to keep the KCAMP insurance value at 6 million. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a majority vote by the County Commissioners.

12:00 p.m. Matthew Hanson, Witt O'Brien's LLC representative was on conference call with the County Commissioners to discuss contracting with Kingman County for help with the ARPA funding.

Commissioners asked Mr. Hanson what cost is allowable to hire someone to administer ARPA funding.

Mr. Hanson let the Commissioners know that it would not be a full-time job.

Commissioners let Mr. Hanson know they understood that but the person they would hire would help with getting grants.

Richard Schott, Emergency Manager let Mr. Hanson know that the Commissioners want to get with the Cities and discuss things to do with the ARPA funding.

Mr. Hanson let the Commissioners know that their business knows about grants that are available to help with ARPA funding.

Commissioners discussed that they would like to see a contract proposal for support services with ARPA funding.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:52 p.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the majority vote of the County Commissioners.