

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
ON April 10, 2023

Chairman Henning called the Board of County Commissioners meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. April 10, 2023, in the County Commissioners room at the Kingman County Courthouse.

Jerry Henning, Chairman  
Patrick Elpers, Commissioner  
Jack Thimesch, Commissioner  
Carol Noblit, County Clerk  
Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

Brandon Ritcha gave the invocation.

Visitors: Bob Morris, Kingman Leader-Courier; Larry Landwehr; Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director

Online Visitors: Heather Kinsler; Shanna Henry; Mary Schwartz

Staff: Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

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

Chairman Henning would like to have a proclamation added.

MOTION: Commissioner Elpers moved to approve the agenda. 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.

Leslie Schrag was in to let the Commissioners know that Johnna Fairchild had went to Topeka to talk with Lt. Governor Tolland about the child care that she has been working on.

Ms. Schrag discussed that the CDBG grant for the USD 331 child care will not be submitted this year as they did not have time to get things done before the hearing deadlines.

The School District will be applying for the Accelerator Grant to help with moving forward on the Child Care Center.

8:52 a.m. Bill Vanlandingham was in to talk to the County Commissioners about the Heritage Hall of Honor. He has three new inductees that will be framed and placed at the Expo Center by Memorial Day.

Commissioners discussed that they have heard good comments on the Heritage Hall of Honor.

Mr. Vanlandingham left the meeting at 9:02 a.m.

Carol Noblit, County Clerk submitted the April 3, 2023, Commissioners Meeting minutes for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the April 3, 2023, Commission Meeting minutes. Commissioner Elpers seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning discussed a Proclamation for declaring April 9-15, 2023, as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

MOTION: Commissioner Elpers moved to approve the Proclamation. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning discussed that a life-saving award was given to three individuals, a dispatcher, a deputy and a police officer for helping to save the life of a local resident with the assistance and cooperation of Kingman EMS. He was glad to see everyone working so well together for our community.

The Commissioners wanted to acknowledge that the departments work well together and that it helped save a life.

9:17 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in with a permit from the following:

- 1) American Engineering & Testing-soil borings in various locations in Canton and Valley Townships.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed that AEP submitted the payment for the borings.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted the March Budget reports for Road & Bridge.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed that he needs to submit the Federal Fund Exchange application for .90 cents on the dollar exchange for federal funds and that he will be the contact person. The money would be placed in the ¾ cent sales tax fund.

Asphalt Quotes received last week were reviewed by Mr. Arensdorf.

Product	Ergon	Coastal	Vance Brothers	Asphalt Fuel & Sup.
MC800	3.45 gallon	3.13 gallon	3.89 gallon	3.28 gallon
CMS-1	2.91 gallon	2.93 gallon	3.14 gallon	
CRS-1H	2.46 gallon	2.38 gallon	2.74 gallon	

Mr. Arensdorf discussed the asphalt quotes from last week and his recommendation was to go with Coastal for the MC800 and CRS-1H.

Mr. Arensdorf also recommended going with Ergon for CMS-1.

MOTION: Commissioner Elpers moved to approve the recommendation by Mr. Arensdorf to go with Coastal for MC800 and CRS-1H. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the recommendation by Mr. Arensdorf to go with Ergon for CMS 1. Commissioner Elpers seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed the KDOT Bridge program.

MOTION: Commissioner Elpers moved to approve the participation on the 2025 office system bridge program. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted the 2022 County Engineers Annual Report to the Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf gave an update on the Engineers Annual meeting held last week in St. John.

10:00 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director were in to review and discuss the Decommissioning/Pilot Agreement and Road Agreement for Flat Ridge IV with the Commissioners and Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor.

Commissioners discussed the fines for hauling outside of the haul route and the fines for not notifying when hauling heavy equipment.

Commissioners discussed when does a windfarm become operational.

Commissioners discussed other items that they had questions on with Mr. Ritcha.

Commissioners would like to contact Canton and Valley Township officers and have them come in to discuss the roads in the proposed haul route.

Mr. Goetz and Mr. Arensdorf left the meeting at 11:41 a.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Elpers moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 11:42 a.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.