

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON August 17, 2015

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in regular session, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas, on August 17, 2015. Those present:

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

John Caton, County Counselor, was present.

Visitors: Phyllis Zorn, Kingman Leader-Courier; Andrea Wood, Kingman County Extension Agent; Jake Renner, Kingman County Extension Agent; Gayle Dye; Donna Hardesty and Aaron Murphy, Skyland Grain

Staff: Nancy Borst, Communications Coordinator; Steve Ramsey, Community Service Director; Jeff Cox, Recycle Center; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

Chairperson Foley called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Chairperson Foley asked whether there were additions or changes to the agenda.

MOTION: Commissioner Voran moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Foley asked if there was any public comment.

Aaron Murphy with Skyland Grain was in to discuss and review the rezone request Z-15-003 with the County Commissioners. The request is to go from Agricultural zone to a Commercial Agricultural zone.

Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning was in with Resolution 2015-R16, A resolution changing the zoning district classification of certain property located in the unincorporated area of Kingman County, Kansas, under the authority granted by the zoning regulations of the County as originally approved by resolution no. 2007-38 for approval by the Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Voran moved to approve Resolution 2015-R16, **A RESOLUTION CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS, UNDER THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY THE ZONING REGULATIONS OF THE COUNTY AS ORIGINALLY APPROVED BY RESOLUTION NO. 2007-38.** Commissioner Foley seconded. Commissioner Steffen abstained from voting.

8:15 a.m. Andrea Wood, Kingman County Extension Agent was in to introduce Jake Renner the new Extension Agent.

Ms. Wood and Mr. Renner left the meeting at 8:20 a.m.

8:30 a.m. John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director was in with sealed bids for the old Noxious Weed lawn mower from Steve Ramsey \$76.16; Albert Ziegler \$125.00.

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen moved to approved the sealed bid for the Noxious Weed lawn mower from Albert Ziegler for the amount of \$125.00. Commissioner Voran seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners reviewed the revisions to the 2016 EMS Agreement. County Counselor, John Caton will send the revised copy to Greg Graffman, City Attorney for review and approval.

Commissioners asked John Caton, County Counselor if he knew the status of the Environmental report for the North Main properties. Mr. Caton let the Commissioners know that he has not heard anything but will get in contact with Mike McGill to see what the status is of the report.

9:00 a.m. Janie McDonald, Lindsay Smith from Hays-Companies were in to discuss the core services that their company provides.

Ms. McDonald and Ms. Smith left the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

10:06 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director was in with Richard Batchellor, Appraiser and asked for an executive session for non-elected personnel matters.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Steffen moved to go into executive session at 10:07 a.m. with Richard Batchellor, Appraiser; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss 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 10:13 a.m. Commissioner Voran seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The Commissioners returned to regular session at 10:13 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know how his meeting went with two representatives from NextEra Energy and that NextEra is looking forward to working with Kingman County.

Mr. Goetz discussed making zoning permits public. Most counties do not make them public.

Mr. Goetz left the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Steffen moved at 11:13 a.m. to go into executive session with John Caton, County Counselor, Stan Goetz, HR Director, and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director, to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, and they will return to open session in the board meeting room at 11:18 a.m. Commissioner Voran seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 11:18 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Charles Arensdorf was in to discuss county roads. He gave a brief update on the Midway bridge replacement. He presented permit requests from Saddlehorn Pipeline Company for road crossings for a 20-inch crude oil pipeline through Dresden, Union, Peters and Chikaskia townships. He reviewed July financial reports.

The county has received a consultation request from Eureka Township.

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen moved to approve an engineering consultation request from Eureka Township. Commissioner Foley seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf shared an update on drainage issues at Mile 7, FAS 601 and Mile 1, FAS 989. Study continues and additional structures may be needed.

A tractor and mowing unit at Public Works need to be updated. He is gathering information. A six-foot side mount mowing unit now is available.

Commissioner Voran will chair a REAP Transportation Task Force meeting Aug. 20th, 2015. Commissioners discussed what transportation issues are important to the county.

Mr. Arensdorf left the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:14 p.m. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commission.