

THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ON August 15, 2016

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in regular session, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas, on August 15, 2016. Those present:

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

John Caton, County Counselor was present.

Visitors: Larry Landwehr; Gayle Dye; Donna Hardesty; Jason Jump, Kingman Leader-Courier; Jerry Henning; Zachary Bieghler, Kingman EMS Director; Emily Graf, Kingman City Manager; Justin Mitchell, Auditor with Adams, Brown, Beran & Ball and Bryson Wiens, Auditor with Adams, Brown, Beran & Ball.

Staff: Nancy Borst, Communications Coordinator; Mark Schnittker, Courthouse Maintenance; John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director; Fred Simon, Emergency Preparedness Director; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director; and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

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

Chairman Foley asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Commissioner Steffen would like to add discussion of Pilot money for fire department.

MOTION: Commissioner Voran moved to approve the agenda with the addition of discussion of the Pilot money for the Cunningham Fire Department. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Foley asked if there was any public Comment and Mr. Landwehr said Good Morning.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes from the Board of County Canvassers meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August, 2016 and the Board of County Commissioners regular meeting for August 8, 2016.

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen moved to approve the minutes of the Board of County Canvassers meeting held on August 8, 2016. Commissioner Voran seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Voran moved to approve the minutes of the Board of County Commissioners meeting held on August 8, 2016. Commissioner Steffen seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

8:30 a.m. Mark Schnittker, Courthouse Maintenance was in to discuss moving forward with a scope of work for the Courthouse windows using Douglas Lloyd, Architect.

Commissioners would like to move forward on only getting the scope of work done.

Mr. Schnittker left the meeting at 8:40 a.m.

8:40 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director was in to discuss the meeting that was held between Sempra; John Caton, County Counselor; John Riggs, Riggs Associates and himself. Mr. Caton updated the Commissioners on the discussion that was held with Sempra. Sempra is wanting a conditional use permit (CUP) and the County zoning regulations require a Special Use Permit (SUP). Mr. Goetz informed the Commissioners that it was a good meeting.

Mr. Goetz discussed that an article in the Wichita Eagle stated that the State Health Insurance is going up 30% on certain plans and an article on other insurance around the state going up at least 37%.

Mr. Goetz submitted the following zoning permit that was approved:

1. Jay Storey for a cabin in Section 22, Township 30, Range 06W (Canton).

Mr. Goetz updated the County Commissioners on the nuisance property discussed in previous meetings.

Mr. Goetz left the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Steffen discussed a one-time grant payment to the City of Cunningham for fire protection that was discussed during the pilot money negotiations.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Steffen moved to go into executive session with John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director; Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton Counselor at 9:35 a.m. 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 9:50 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:50 a.m. with no binding action taken.

9:57 a.m. Zachary Bieghler, Kingman EMS Director and Emily Graf, Kingman City Manager were in with the monthly budget report. Mr. Bieghler said he is still on track for an EMT course being held in September. Ms. Graf let the Commissioners know that she will run the numbers and get back with them on August 22, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Bieghler and Ms. Graf left the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

10:38 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in with an article on Windfarms for the Commissioners to review.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted the following permit for Construction on County Right of Way:

1. Abe's Oilfield-Road Crossing-Electric Cable-between Sections 26 & 27, Township 28, Range 07W (East Ninnescah).

Mr. Arensdorf and John from Nextera were in with a Road Access and Repair Agreement Exhibit "A" Action Plan for review and approval by the County Commissioners.

John let the Commissioners know the repairs that will be done to 7 bridges on the haul route presented. Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know that he has been pleased with the response he receives from Nextera.

The Commissioners discussed the Dale #20 Bridge and the various options that were presented last week.

Mr. Arensdorf, Public Works Director left the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

12:03 p.m. Justin Mitchell, Auditor was in to review the 2017 County Budget with the County Commissioners. The Commissioners discussed their concerns with the tax lid next year and it was decided by a majority vote to keep the mill levy the same as the 2016 mill levy of 62.041.

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen moved to approve a one-time payment of \$300,000.00 to Cunningham Fire Department for Fire Safety. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. Commissioner Voran brought out that there are many wind turbines in the Spivey, Zenda & Kingman Fire Districts that have not received any funds to date for fire protection. Motion passed with a 2 For and 1 Vote Against.

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 2:30 p.m. Commissioner Foley seconded. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.