

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ON February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Those present:

John Steffen, Chairman  
Fred Foley, Commissioner  
Jerry Henning, Commissioner  
Carol Noblit, County Clerk  
John Caton, County Counselor

Visitors: Larry Landwehr; Gayle Dye; Donna Hardesty; Carol Voran; Jack Thimesch; Jackie Thimesch; Chris McElgunn and Jason Jump, Kingman Leader Courier.

Staff: Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Steve Ramsey, Community Service Director; Cindy Chrisman-Smith, Health Nurse and Linda Langley, Internal Auditor.

Chairman Steffen called the regular Board of County Commissioners to order at 1:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

Chairman Steffen asked if there were any additions for the agenda.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes of the February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Commission Meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the minutes of February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Commission Meeting. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

1:05 p.m. Chris McElgunn was in and introduced himself and gave background information on himself. Mr. McElgunn discussed Tax Sales and the services that he could provide for Kingman County.

Mr. McElgunn let the Commissioners know that he has staff and a partner that balance and manage the stakeholders in the process of a Tax Sale. The services he provides are from beginning to end and the cost is around \$150.00 per parcel.

Tax foreclosure consultations throughout the year are included in the agreement at no extra cost.

Mr. McElgunn's company doesn't get paid until the end of the process and if the expenses are more and funds are less than contracted then the amount is lowered and there is no extra cost to the County.

Abandoned and blighted property can be foreclosed on with one year delinquency requirement.

Mr. McElgunn let the Commissioners know that he will need an engagement letter between Kingman County and himself.

Chairman Steffen would like to know when a tax sale could be held and Mr. McElgunn let them know it could be August or sooner.

Mr. McElgunn, Ms. Rohlman, Mr. Thimesch and Ms. Thimesch left the meeting at 1:47 p.m.

1:48 p.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director was in with paperwork for the new hire in the Appraiser's office. Mr. Goetz submitted the Department Head meeting minutes to the County Commissioners to read.

Mr. Goetz submitted a breakdown of the wellness program and that are numbers are doing better.

Mr. Goetz discussed a nuisance case with Ronald Antencio and that the taxes are paid through 2016 but 2017 is not paid yet.

1:56 p.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer were in with asphalt quotes for 2018 for the following and were opened at 2:00 p.m.:

	ERGON	VANCE BROS.	COASTAL
MC800	\$2.18 per gallon	\$2.55 per gallon	\$2.19 per gallon
CM1	\$2.18 per gallon	\$2.40 per gallon	\$1.89 per gallon
CRS1H	\$1.83 per gallon	\$2.20 per gallon	\$1.89 per gallon

Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know that he would like to look them over before a decision is made.

Mr. Bachenberg updated the Commissioners on projects and the approach discussed last week for the Smoots Creek Bridge change order total came in less than the \$30,000.00 estimate at \$18,676.00.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session with Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and John Caton, County Counselor at 2:20 p.m. to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of non-elected personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual to be discussed, and that we will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 2:35 p.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The Commissioners returned to regular session at 2:35 p.m. with no binding action taken.

Mr. Arensdorf and Mr. Bachenberg left the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

2:36 p.m. Steve Ramsey, Community Service Director was in with a letter from EMC about the Lost Control Survey Update that will need to be kept up for insurance coverage of Community Service. Mr. Ramsey discussed training that has been done.

Mr. Ramsey left the meeting at 2:43 p.m.

Chairman Steffen discussed a call he received about ice on the wind turbines.

The County Commissioners signed County Vouchers in the amount of \$342,986.99.

The County Commissioners signed Road & Bridge Vouchers in the amount of \$48,858.76.

The following abatements were approved by the County Commissioners:

ABATEMENTS

2018000117	\$-177.62
2018000118	\$-400.04
2018000119	\$-103.12

3:03 p.m. Cindy Chrisman-Smith, Health Nurse was in with to discuss if she doesn't hire the part-time what expenses there wouldn't be and income they would lose if services were cut to.

3:19 p.m. Linda Langley, Internal Auditor was in to discuss Flat Ridge III & IV Revenue Analysis with the County Commissioners.

Ms. Langley and Mr. Goetz left the meeting at 4:16 p.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 4:17 p.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.