

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON June 4th, 2018

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on June 4th, 2018. Those present:

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

Visitors: Gayle Dye; Catherine Rohrer, Community Corrections Director and Stacey Meireis, Chamber of Commerce.

Staff: Steve Ramsey, Community Service Director; Sheriff Randy Hill; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Richard Batchellor, County Appraiser; Amber Hartley, Deputy Appraiser; Donna Rohlman, County Treasurer; Becky Luntsford, Deputy Treasurer; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer.

Chairman Steffen called the regular Board of County Commissioners to order at 8:00 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

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

Chairman Steffen would like to add LEC Discussion; Commissioner Henning would like to add discussion about the Emergency Management Position and the County Clerk would like to add an update on County Values.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the agenda with the addition LEC discussion; Emergency Management Position Discussion and an update on County values. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Steffen asked if there was any public comment. No Comment was made.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes of the May 21st, 2018 Commission meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the May 21st, 2018 Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

8:15 a.m. Catherine Rohrer, South Central Kansas Community Corrections Director was in to get a signature for the 2019 report that she will submit to the State. The report was signed by the Commission.

Ms. Rohrer left the meeting at 8:19 a.m.

8:19 a.m. Stacey Meireis, Chamber of Commerce Office Administrator was in to request if the County would like to help fund the fireworks for the Fourth of July.

Commissioner Henning said he would be okay with matching what the City of Kingman gave of \$1500.00.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve a one time payment amount of \$1500.00 to help with the Fourth of July Fireworks. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 2 to 1 vote for.

Ms. Meireis left the meeting at 8:25 a.m.

The County Clerk submitted the County Values that were certified to her from the County Appraiser and the Kansas Department of Revenue.

The County Commissioners discussed the Law Enforcement Center and if they want to stay with the pilot agreement they submitted to Sempra or to go back to the original yearly pilot payment.

Commissioner Henning discussed the options he has thought of for the Law Enforcement Center.

The Commissioners discussed the RFP for a Law Enforcement Center and that it needs to be started.

John Caton, County Counselor discussed the next step in this process would be and a public hearing would need to be done before proceeding.

9:00 a.m. Sheriff Randy Hill was in with his April monthly report for the Sheriff's Department. Sheriff Hill discussed purchasing new vehicles to replace the 2015's and some wording in the RFP for the vehicle purchase.

Chairman Steffen asked the Sheriff if he had any input for the LEC. Sheriff Hill said he needs some parameters to be able to help.

Chairman Steffen would like to address safety and segregation with a new LEC. Sheriff Hill said that is what he would like also.

Commissioner Henning let the Sheriff know that we need to address the safety.

9:36 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director was in to let the Commissioners know that Sheriff Hill and himself interviewed for the new Deputy position and have decided on Jason White and he will be starting June 19th for the Sheriff's Department.

Mr. Goetz discussed Community Service and what kind of level of Community Service they would like.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that they have received the EMPG Grant in the amount of \$14,938.00 and would like the Commissioners to think about a stipend for the Sheriff to handle the Emergency Preparedness position.

Commissioner Henning asked if the Emergency Management Position is needed. Sheriff Hill let him know that it is required by the State that each County have an Emergency Manager but there are not any requirements for the position. It is also required if there is a disaster the information has to go through this person.

Sheriff Hill discussed the importance of the Emergency Management Position.

Commissioner Henning said it is pretty important position and need to make sure the person hired is able to get the certifications.

Chairman Steffen discussed that he feels the Community Service is not going to be a full time position and can be combined with another position.

Sheriff Hill left the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session at 10:05 a.m. with Richard Batchellor, County Appraiser; Amber Hartley, Deputy Appraiser; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/ Wastewater Director and John Caton, County Counselor 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 individuals to be discussed, and they will return to open session at 10:15 a.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 10:15 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Mr. Batchellor and Ms. Hartley left the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Mr. Goetz submitted the Commissioners each a copy of the policy manual and for them to sign off that they received them.

Mr. Goetz submitted the following building permit:

1. Rod Dixon for a House/Shed in the SE4 of Section 22, Township 29, Range 5W (Evan).

Mr. Goetz discussed with the Commissioners about an email received from Todd Eagleston, Sempra. Mr. Eagleston had brought up having a partner company. Mr. Caton let them know that they can have a partner but Sempra must stay the Guarantor of the agreement.

10:40 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in with Stan Goetz to request an executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Henning moved to go into executive session at 10:40 a.m. with Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/ Wastewater Director and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss an individual employee's evaluation 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 individuals to be discussed, and they will return to open session at 10:50 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 10:50 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Mr. Goetz left the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed township signing regulations that has changed due to House Bill #2511.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted to execute contracts for the Hot Mix Overlay on FAS Bridges #16 & #71 and the tentative start date is the middle of July.

Chairman Steffen read correspondence received from Leslie Schrag about the Recycle Center.

11:15 a.m. Donna Rohlman, County Treasurer and Becky Luntsford, Deputy Treasurer were in to discuss the problems they are having with the Law Firm handling the tax sale letting them know information. The County Commissioners let Donna know that they should be informed by the Firm. Mr. Caton let her know that he will talk with the Firm and have them inform all the employees in the Treasurer's Office when things are being done.

Chairman Steffen approved the April 2018 Transfers in the amount of \$104,051.44.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the supplement to the Engagement Letter with Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Goetz was in about a request received from a taxpayer asking if human remains can be buried on private property. Mr. Caton let Mr. Goetz know he will look into it and get back with him.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:13 p.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.