

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON March 9th, 2020

The County Commissioners were in attendance of the Annual Township Meeting at the Kingman Expo Center, South Room, Kingman, Kansas on March 9th, 2020.

Chairman Steffen called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m.

The Commissioners discussed the township roads with the Township officers.

Ryan Ruckle, Township Officer asked about funding for the township roads after the windfarm projects are done. The roads are being used and damaged after the projects are done and funding to help them would be useful.

Chairman Steffen let Mr. Ruckle know that they have been discussing this issue in the Commission meetings.

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen moved to recess the meeting until 1:00 p.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on March 9th, 2020. Those present:

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

Visitors: Jason Jump, Kingman Leader Courier; Larry Landwehr; Zachary Bieghler, Kingman EMS Director; Ashley Keimig, Chamber of Commerce; Shelby Snyder, Chamber of Commerce

Staff: Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director and Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse.

Chairman Steffen reconvened the Board of County Commissioners Meeting 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 to the agenda.

John Caton, County Counselor asked for an addition of an Attorney Client Executive Session.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the agenda with the addition of an Attorney Client Executive Session. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Steffen asked if there was any public comment.

Larry Landwehr updated the Commissioners on the old Economic Development Council status of equipment disposal and it will be done by March 31st.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Henning moved to go into executive session at 1:03 p.m. with John Caton, County Counselor to discuss potential litigation pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of matters which would be deemed privileged under the attorney-client relationship, and they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 1:17 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Foley. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 1:17 p.m. with no binding action taken.

1:17 p.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer were in with updates.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted a permit for the following:

1. Haviland Telephone Co for a road crossing on the East side of Section 1, Township 30, Range 5 (Bennett).

Mr. Arensdorf submitted for consideration sand quotes from apac for 2020 Seal Coat Program in the amount of \$14.35 per ton and Theis Dozer Service for \$10.25 per ton.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the quote from Theis Dozer Service for \$10.25 per ton for sand for the 2020 Seal Coat Program. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf and Mr. Bachenberg left the meeting at 1:44 p.m.

1:45 p.m. Linda Langley, Internal Auditor was in to discuss transfers to reserves by department for the total amount of \$292,000.00.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the transfers to Capital reserves by department for a total amount of \$292,000.00. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Langley left the meeting at 1:55 p.m.

1:55 p.m. Zachary Bieghler, Kingman EMS Director was in with his annual report.

Mr. Bieghler requested additional millings from the County.

The County Commissioners discussed allowing the additional millings.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve additional millings for the Kingman EMS from the County. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Bieghler left the meeting at 2:27 p.m.

2:33 p.m. John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director was in with updates for the County Commissioners and his Annual Noxious Weed Management Plan for 2020 for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the Annual Noxious Weed Management Plan for 2020 submitted by John Wimer. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Wimer discussed treatments for KDOT Right of Ways.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director to treat KDOT Right of Ways. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Wimer left the meeting at 2:52 p.m.

The Commissioners signed the following abatement:

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2:52 p.m. Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse was in with a signature page for the Data Use Agreement.

Ms. Schwartz let the Commissioners know that there has been a confirmed case of the Coronavirus in Johnson County and she is planning a meeting with Health Officials.

Ms. Schwartz let the Commissioners know that there is a website kdheks.gov/coronavirus out there for information.

Ms. Schwartz discussed an agreement request received from Horizons to provide immunizations for their clients including HIV, Hepatitis B & C. Ms. Schwartz let the Commissioners know that she will discuss it with other counties and see if they provide this service.

Commissioners agreed that more information is needed.

Ms. Schwartz left the meeting at 3:02 p.m.

3:02 p.m. Ashley Keimig, Chamber of Commerce and Shelby Snyder, Chamber of Commerce were in to discuss the fireworks for the 4th of July celebration.

Ms. Keimig requested a donation to match the previous years in the amount of \$1500.00 for the fireworks because they have been supporters.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the \$1500.00 for the 4th of July fireworks. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Keimig and Ms. Snyder left the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes of the March 2nd, 2020 Commission Meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the minutes of March 2nd, 2020 Commission meeting. Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

3:30 p.m. Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director was in and submitted an updated spreadsheet that he put together with information received from Tiffany Aumiller, Payroll/Benefits Clerk that showed wages & benefits for County Employees. Mr. Goetz discussed that the amount on the spreadsheet shows approximately \$100,000.00 less in benefits and wages compared to last year.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that will change as hiring more detention officers for the new LEC will be needed. Two detention officers Seth Taylor & Breanna Swindle have been hired. Also, an ad is out for a Communications Officer at this time.

Mr. Goetz submitted the following building permits:

1. Sharon James for a machine shed in Section 23, Township 27, Range 07W (White).
2. Mark Brungardt for a shed in Section 16, Township 29, Range 10 (Kingman).

Chairman Steffen discussed correspondence received from KCAMP on reproduction coverage.

The Commissioners discussed the need for reproduction replacement coverage for the Historical Courthouse as it is on the Historical Registry.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to have KCAMP provide reproduction coverage for the Courthouse by HCA Asset Management. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 4:03 p.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.