

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON March 8th, 2021

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on March 8th, 2021. Those present:

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

Visitors Online: Viewer 2; Tammy Miller; Caller 01; Shawna Olson; Andrea Wood; Larry Landwehr

Visitors: Eric Ryker, SC Telecom; Carla Shearer, SC Telecom CEO; Kevin Cowan, Gilmore & Bell

Staff: Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer; Richard Schott, Emergency Manager; Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director

Chairman Henning called the Board of County Commissioners Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

Chairman Henning gave an invocation.

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

Commissioner Foley requested an executive session.

Commissioner Henning would like to discuss the newspaper ad.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the agenda with the addition of an executive session and discussion on the newspaper ad. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning asked if there was any public comment.

Larry Landwehr said "Good Morning".

8:33 a.m. Eric Ryker, SC Telcom and Carla Shearer, CEO SC Telcom were in to discuss the permit fees for the County and their concerns on the pricing. They would like to appeal to the Commissioners on these fees.

Chairman Henning discussed the fees with Mr. Ryker and Ms. Shearer.

Ms. Shearer let the Commissioners know that she would like to withdraw her request to waive the fees due to the issues that the Commissioners have let them know about.

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Ms. Shearer and Mr. Ryker left the meeting at 8:53 a.m.

County Commissioners signed and approved the following abatements and escaped taxes:

ABATEMENTS		ABATEMENTS	
2021000369	-5.63	2021000370	-350.48
2021000371	-137.48	2021000372	-202.00
2021000373	-203.54	2021000374	-5.48
2021000377	-276.38	2021000378	276.38
ESCAPES			
2021000375	0.00		
2021000376	0.00		

Commissioners signed county vouchers in the amount of \$468,877.03.

County Commissioners discussed the newspaper ads for crime prevention.

Chairman Henning would like to do an ad on crime prevention for 27 issues with the Cunningham Courier and in the Kingman Leader-Courier.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to put an ad in the Cunningham Courier and Kingman Leader-Courier for 27 issues help with crime prevention. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

9:05 a.m. Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer was in to discuss the CD paperwork for the Ninnescah Valley Bank in Cunningham and to get signatures from the County Commissioners.

Ms. Luntsford let the Commissioners know that the tax sale is finished.

Commissioners would like to continue with the next tax sale.

The County Clerks submitted the minutes of the March 1st, 2021 Commission meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2021 Commission Meeting. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

9:18 a.m. Kevin Cowan, Gilmore & Bell was in to discuss the new money bond resolution.

Commissioner Henning asked what would be the next steps.

Mr. Cowan explained the process with the Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve Resolution 2021-R4, **A RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF THE REPAIR, RECONSTRUCTION, OR REPLACEMENT OF CERTAIN BRIDGES IN KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS; AUTHORIZING SUCH REPAIR, RECONSTRUCTION, OR REPLACEMENT TO BE UNDERTAKEN AND COMPLETED; AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE COSTS THEREOF.** Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Cowan left the meeting at 9:44 a.m.

Commissioner Foley gave an update on delivery of the sign for the Heritage Trust Fund.

Chairman Henning gave an update on the windows from phase II.

10:00 a.m. Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse was in to let the Commissioners know that there is currently only two active cases in Kingman County.

Ms. Schwartz let the Commissioners know that the variants continue to be a concern because Sedgwick County has several cases involving the UK Variant.

Ms. Schwartz discussed that she has a new grant that she can get to work on salaries and phones for her department.

Ms. Schwartz presented her annual grant that the Health Department applies for and to get a signature from the Commission.

Ms Schwartz let the Commissioners know that the County is about done with Phase II of the vaccines.

Ms. Schwartz let the Commissioners know that the Health department has received 100 doses of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine and it has been given.

Mr. Schott and Ms. Schwartz left the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

10:45 a.m. Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in with a permit for ONEOK for repair of a pipeline in Section 6, Township 27, Range 05 (Evan).

Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know that the FLAP project is back in effect and will be done in 2023.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed Hot Mix Overlays for the FAS 607 from NE 120 Ave to NE 140 Ave with a letting date of March 15th and East of Penalosa from NE 110 Ave to K-11 with a letting date of April 19th tentatively.

11:00 a.m. bid opening for the asphalt quotes that are valid March 8th through October 31st, 2021:

	Coastal	ERGON	Asphalt & Fuel Supply	Vance Bros.
MC800	2.13 gallon	2.40 gallon	2.14 gallon	2.45 gallon
CMS 1	2.22 gallon	2.30 gallon	NB	2.30 gallon
CRS 1H	1.89 gallon	1.99 gallon	NB	2.25 gallon

MOTION: Commissioner Foley would like to accept the quote bid from Coastal. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

11:20 a.m. Stan Goetz, HR was in review the department head meeting minutes with the County Commissioners.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to go into executive session at 11:25 a.m. with Stan Goetz, HR 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 individual(s) to be

discussed, and will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 11:40 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

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Commissioners returned to regular session at 11:45 a.m. with a decision to move an employee from part time to full time.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 11:50 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.