

ELK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APPROVED MINUTES
FEBRUARY 8, 2021

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Regularly Scheduled Meeting

1:00 p.m. - Call to Order

Minutes Approval – Regular Meeting January 25, 2021

1:10 p.m. – Public Forum

1:25 p.m. – Department Reports

Old Business:

New Business

2:00 p.m. – EMS/Health Facility – Miranda Bruening

2:30 p.m. – SE Kansas Works CEO Agreement

2:45 p.m. – Airport Contract

3:00 p.m. – Executive Session Legal

3:15 p.m. – Executive Session Legal

3:45 p.m. – Insurance

4:00 p.m. – Commissioner Discussion

Abatements:

Presentation of Claims

Other

Adjournment

Future Events:

Commissioners Present:

Shari Kaminska, District I

Doug Hendricks, District II

Jake Liebau, District III

County Clerk: Kerry Harrod

County Counselor: Paul Dean

Others:

John Walker, Sheriff

Todd Winscher, Rural Fire

Jeremy McCully, Appraiser

Teresa Wells, Appraiser's Office

Miranda Bruening, HB&K

Nancy Crum

Ken Mitchell, EMS

Don Sanders, Public Works

Jenifer Clatt, EMS

Kristina Kraft, Treas. Office

Mark Julius, Accel Construction

Call to Order

Chairman Hendricks called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in the Commission Room of the Courthouse. Commissioners Hendricks, Kaminska and Liebau were all present as well as County Clerk Kerry Harrod and County Counselor Paul Dean.

Minutes Approval

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2021 regular meeting as amended. Motion carried 3-0.

Sheriff

John Walker stated there has been 126 calls of duty since January 25, 2021. The Sheriff's Office currently has six inmates in the jail. The County still has a juvenile in Reno County. There have been two transports this month, one from Morgan County Missouri and one from Sedgwick County Kansas. The blue patrol truck is back in service. The Sheriff's Office has been having internet issues causing E911 dispatch to go off multiple times. The issue has been resolved by SKT. Sheriff Walker gave each Commissioner a flash drive of wages across the state of Kansas of County Elected Officials. Sheriff Walker would like to purchase new chairs for the office over the next few months.

Rural Fire

Todd Winscher stated there was thirty-seven fire runs and twenty-seven accident runs for the year 2020. Mr. Winscher presented the current resolution for Elk County burning regulations. Discussion was had regarding the resolution. County Counselor Paul Dean will make revisions and present the updated resolution later in the meeting. Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to approve and adopt the Revised Burning Regulation Resolution 21-02. Motion carried 3-0. The revised resolution will be published in the Prairie Star and put on the County website.

Appraiser

Jeremy McCully would like the authority to pay Postalocity \$1,716.23 for the 2021 change of value notices. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to approve the estimate from Postalocity on mailing the 2021 change of value notices from the Appraiser's Office. Motion carried 3-0.

Public Works

Road

Don Sanders stated he has hired Danny Williams who has a Class A CDL and some equipment experience. Mr. Williams will be working at the Busby Location. The Road Department had an employee resign on Thursday. Mr. Sanders tube work and guardrail repairs are being done on some RS Roads.

Weed

Commissioner Kaminska stated she has been appointed by the Kansas Association of Counties to serve on the Weed Advisory Committee.

Maintenance

The Register of Deeds carpet was laid last Friday.

Recycling

The recycling program is shut down for the time being.

Southeast Kansas Works CEO Agreement

Southeast Kansas Works consists of 17 counties and this agreement is completed every 5 years. Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to approve the Southeast Kansas Works CEO Agreement. Motion carried 3-0.

EMS/Health Facility

Discussion was had regarding installing a whole house generator at the EMS/Health Facility. Miranda Bruening will price a smaller generator that runs off natural gas. Change orders 001 and 002 were presented. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to approve change order 001 that reduces the overall project price by \$13,825 to a new project price of \$1,151,175. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to approve change order 002 that increases the cost of the metal building by \$2,810 and increases the overall project price to \$1,153,985. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Chairman Hendricks seconded the motion to designate Jake Liebau to be the project decision maker with an approval limit for monetary changes of \$500. Motion carried 3-0.

Break 3:00 p.m.

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to take 5-minute break. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 3:05 p.m.

Airport Contract

The Airport Contract will be tabled until the next meeting.

Executive Session 3:10 p.m.

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes for legal with John Walker and Paul Dean present. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 3:25 p.m.

No action taken.

Executive Session 3:30 p.m.

Commissioner Liebau moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to go into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss legal matters with Don Sanders and Paul Dean present. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 4:00 p.m.

No action taken.

Insurance

Paul Dean researched the Federal Department of Labor Standards and the County would have to have a recognized cafeteria plan in place, which the County does not have. Therefore, the County is not authorized to offer health care reimbursements.

Commissioner Discussion

The KAC demographics & Taxation discussion will be tabled until the next meeting. The County Wage Scale was discussed. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion dispose of carpet remints to Joe Love at \$42.00. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to approve the payroll in the amount of \$232,109.57. Motion carried 3-0.

Warrants

The warrant fund totals are as follows:

County General \$29,058.50, Ambulance \$3,155.07, Rural Fire District \$3,193.29, Health \$500.99, Road \$63,894.02, Kansas 911 \$132.48, EMPG \$4,000.00. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to pay the warrants in the amount of \$103,934.35. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Liebau seconded the motion to adjourn at 4:23 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

ATTEST:

Kerry E. Harrod
Elk County Clerk

Shari Kaminska, District I

Doug Hendricks, District II (Chairman)

Jake Liebau, District III