

ELK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APPROVED MINUTES
MAY 11, 2020

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Regularly Scheduled Meeting

1:00 p.m. - Call to Order

Minutes Approval – April 13, 2020 Regular Meeting
May 4, 2020 Special Meeting

1:10 p.m. – Public Forum

1:25 p.m. – Department Reports

Old Business:

Communication Tower

New Business

2:00 p.m. – Cost Savings Program – Albert Alfieri

2:30 p.m. – Executive Session Don Sanders

2:45 p.m. – Resolution 20-04 COVID 19 Public Health Emergency Resolution – 60-day extension

3:00 p.m. – Gracelawn Cemetery

3:15 p.m. – COVID 19 Discussion

3:30 p.m. –

3:45 p.m. – EMS/Health Facility

4:00 p.m. – Commissioner Discussion

Abatements: RE 20-37

Presentation of Claims

Other

Adjournment

Future Events:

Commissioners Present:

Shari Kaminska, District I

Alan Coble, District II

David Evans, District III (Chairman)

Deputy County Clerk: Amy Bliss

County Counselor: Paul Dean

Others:

Stephanie Ollenborger, ROD

Ken Mitchell, EMS

Todd Winscher, R. Fire

Rachel Ware, Treasurer

Erica Cordell, Co Atty Office

John Walker, Under Sheriff

Stefni Hebb, Elections Clerk

Al Alfieri, Granite

Beth Koehler, EM

Kandy Dowell, Health

Don Sanders, Public Works

Teresa Wells, Deputy Appraiser

Jenifer Clatt, EMS

Rochelle Cookson, Deputy Treasurer

Joe Mueller, EMS

Roger Wager, Granite

Call to Order

Chairman David Evans called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in the Courtroom of the Courthouse.

Commissioners Evans, Kaminska and Coble were present as well as Deputy County Clerk Amy Bliss and County Counselor Paul Dean.

Minutes Approval

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of April 27, 2020 as presented. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Coble moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to approve the special meeting minutes of May 4, 2020 as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Public Forum

Commissioner Coble stated the Sheriff's Office foyer looks nice with all the sheriff's pictures in the cabinets.

John Cannon stated he is having fencing issues ½ mile east of Road 27 on Killdeer with the adjoining landowner.

Mr. Cannon would like to request a fence viewing. Chairman Evans moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to hold a fence viewing at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, May 26, 2020 meeting at Road 28 and Killdeer. Motion carried 2-0. County Counselor Paul Dean will send out letters to the land owners.

Register of Deeds

Stephanie Ollenborger handed in the monthly report for April. They had a total of 44 instruments recorded and a total deposit of \$2,055.00.

Rural Fire

Todd Winscher presented the Commission with a report showing the total number of runs for the last 3 years. Mr. Winscher stated they are still waiting on materials for the addition on the rural fire barn in Longton. Mr. Winscher stated \$800 was raised at the Saturday Cruise Night for the first responders. He would like to thank whomever was involved with the donation.

Public Works

Road

Don Sanders stated Quail Road between Road 24 and Road 25 did not close this morning due to the department working on storm damage. Everyy will be doing work at a substation on Road 7 near the wind towers. The south and north low water bridges took on damage during the recent storm. Mr. Sanders presented a quote to replace the south bridge, dimensions being 16 feet wide and 70 feet in length. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Chairman Evans seconded the motion to accept the quote from Starbuck Trucking out of Fredonia, KS to replace the south bridge between Limestone and Killdeer on Road 7 in the amount of \$69,300. Motion carried 3-0.

Maintenance

Mr. Sanders presented a quote for the permanent pass through windows for the courthouse offices. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Chairman Evans seconded the motion to accept the quote from Gorgeous Construction out of Andale Kansas to construct 6 pass through window units in the courthouse for a total of \$9,000. Motion carried 2-1.

Recycling

The E-Waste will not take place at this time. Regular recycling will start back up the end of May or the first part of June.

Treasurer

Rachel Ware stated the State will be opening up drivers license offices on May 18, 2020. Elk County will open theirs back up the following week or the first of June. Mrs. Ware said the drop box is permanent so taxes will always be able to be dropped off.

Emergency Management

Beth Koehler stated Ann Wright with the Elk County Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry received \$5,000 from Enel Green Power North America. Enel Green Power North America will also be sending a check to the County for a contribution toward the northeast communication tower repeater. The Clerk's Office will send a thank you letter when the check is received.

Cost Savings Program - Granite

Albert Alfieri stated after reviewing the County's telephone bills, Granite Cost Savings Program could save the County \$9,813 annually. There would be no changes to the telephone lines or features. The County Clerk's Office will check with Seward County to see how their transition went with Granite. Further discussion will be had at the next meeting on Tuesday, May 26, 2020.

Break 2:25 p.m.

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

Back in session 2:30 p.m.

Executive Session 2:30 p.m.

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel with Don Sanders and Paul Dean present. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 2:45 p.m.

No action taken.

Resolution 20-04 COVID 19 Public Health Emergency Resolution – 60-day extension

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to extend Resolution 20-04 COVID 19 Public Health Emergency Resolution for an additional 60 days. Motion carried 3-0.

Gracelawn Cemetery

The Cemetery Board would like to put a dumpster behind the bathroom in the cemetery for Memorial Day. The Commission stated that would be fine.

COVID 19 Discussion

Beth Koehler stated May 18th would begin Phase 2 if the State proceeds. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to go into Phase 2 when the Governor orders Phase 2 with no additional restrictions. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion that the courthouse will be operating by appointment only starting May 18, 2020 for all departments with a regular

work schedule until further notice. Motion carried 3-0. County Counselor Paul Dean will prepare a resolution for the next meeting.

EMS/Health Facility

Discussion was had regarding the design plans of the facility. The Clerk's Office will email Randy Johnson, with Morton Buildings, the property address, plans, budget and maps of the location.

Commissioner Discussion

We had 34 employees take the defensive driving class from KWORC. The County Clerk's Office will call KWORC and schedule another class for the remaining employees who were unable to attend the first class.

Abatement

Commissioner Coble moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to approve abatement RE 20-37. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to approve April payroll in the amount of \$230,232.95. Motion carried 3-0.

Warrants

The warrant fund totals are as follows:

County General \$36,347.18, Ambulance \$1,150.66, Election \$1,918.90, Rural Fire District \$1,556.51, Health \$4,429.34, Road \$50,898.13, Special Bridge \$410.10, Noxious Weed \$11,617.10, Kansas 911 \$524.83, Technology Fund \$75.00. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to pay the warrants in the amount of \$108,927.75. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

Commissioner Coble moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to adjourn at 3:40 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

ATTEST:

Kerry E. Harrod
Elk County Clerk

Shari Kaminska, District I

Alan Coble, District II

David Evans, District III (Chairman)