

ELK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APPROVED MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 28, 2020

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Regularly Scheduled Meeting

1:00 p.m. - Call to Order

Minutes Approval – September 14, 2020 Regular Meeting

1:10 p.m. – Public Forum

1:25 p.m. – Department Reports

Old Business:

New Business

2:00 p.m. – Fence Viewing - Hendricks

2:15 p.m. – Executive Session Legal

2:30 p.m. –

2:45 p.m. – Hunting Lodge Discussion - Appraiser

3:00 p.m. – Executive Session Non-Elected Personnel

3:15 p.m. – EMS/Health Facility Discussion

3:45 p.m. – Commissioner Discussion

Abatements: PP20-46, RE20-45, TK20-53, TK20-54

Presentation of Claims

Other

Adjournment

Future Events:

Commissioners Present:

Shari Kaminska, District I

Alan Coble, District II

David Evans, District III (Chairman)

County Clerk: Kerry Harrod

County Counselor: Paul Dean

Others:

Kandy Dowell, Health

Jenifer Clatt, EMS

Jill Gillett, Co Attorney

Don Sanders, Public Works

Beverly Signer, Health

Teresa Wells, Appraiser Office

Rochelle Cookson, Treas. Office

Doug Hendricks

Sarah Evans, Public Works

Kenneth Mitchell, EMS

Beth Koehler, EM

Todd Winscher, Rural Fire

Stephanie Ollenborger, ROD

Erica Cordell, Co Atty Office

William Bischoff, Recycling

Jeremy McCully, Appraiser

Jackie Gomez

Miranda Bruening, HB&K

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 all present as well as County Clerk Kerry Harrod and County Counselor Paul Dean.

Minutes Approval

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to approve the September 14, 2020 regular meeting minutes as amended. Motion carried 3-0.

Public Forum

A discussion was had regarding how the CARES Act Funding was to be payed out. The BOCC stated if the budgets could handle the expense go ahead and pay it and then the CARES fund would reimburse them. If the budgets can not handle the expense send the County Clerk's Office a copy of the quote and the County will prepare a check from the CARES Act Funding money.

EMS

Ken Mitchell stated they have been having trouble with the overhead door in the EMS barn. The door is repaired at this time and extra parts have been ordered. Some of the parts for the Lucas devices have been received.

County Attorney

Jill Gillett stated she would like to spend additional money from the Diversion Fund for two more duty cameras for administration and body cameras. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to authorize County Attorney Jill Gillett to purchase two duty cameras for the sheriff administration not to exceed \$700.00 to be paid from the Diversion Fund. Motion carried 3-0. Mrs. Gillett will present quotes for the body camera at a later date.

Health

Kandy Dowell stated the County has had seven COVID-19 cases, five cases recovered and two cases still active.

Emergency Management

Beth Koehler presented the application for the Emergency Management Performance Grant for 2020 to be signed. The public assistance meeting has been scheduled for Monday, October 5, 2020. Mrs. Koehler stated the EOC Grant has been received. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the to apply for the Emergency Management Performance Grant funding in the amount of \$6,100. Motion carried 3-0.

Rural Fire

Todd Winscher stated he would like Perry Watkins to be appointed as the Grenola Rural Fire Captain. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to appoint Perry Watkins as the Fire Captain for the Grenola Rural Fire Department effective October payroll. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Winscher stated he is still looking for a replacement bed for the rescue truck.

Public Works

Road

Don Sanders stated he has hired Morgan Shorter in the Road Department. Mr. Shorter will be running a grader and then will be transferred to the excavating crew.

The City of Longton has enquired about getting some assistance on a couple of roads. Mr. Sanders stated the timing of everything and the weather will not allow for the road projects to be done this year. The City of Elk Falls road project has been completed. The County Road project in the City of Moline has also been completed. Mr. Sanders stated they have started the remainder of the Killdeer project going west this morning. Mr. Sanders presented a quote on a new shop truck from Kline Motors and a quote on a new Western Star semi. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to purchase a 2020 Ford F-350 4x4 cab and chassis out of the Road Equipment Reserve Fund in the amount of \$37,169 from Kline Motors in Winfield, Ks. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Sanders said he would like to trade in the 2007 Sterling, use \$50,000 out of the Road Budget and finance the remaining amount. Commissioner Coble moved and Chairman Evans seconded the motion to purchase a 2020 Western Star Semi in the amount of \$114,647 in which \$50,000 will be taken from the Road Budget and the balance will be financed. Motion carried 3-0.

Hendricks/Gomez Fence Viewing

A discussion was had regarding the fence viewing on September 14, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. between Doug Hendricks and Fabian Gomez beginning at Highway 99 south of Native Road. The fence runs a ¼ mile beginning at the NW corner of the NW quarter of Section 30 Township 29S Range 11E. Paul Dean will prepare a Fence Viewer Order which will be mailed to each landowner and filed with the Register of Deeds Office.

Executive Session 2:00 p.m.

Chairman Evans moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss legal matters with Paul Dean present. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 2:15 p.m.

Action: Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to issue a fence viewer order requiring Mr. and Mrs. Fabian Gomez to install a brace post on the east end and then install a corner and brace at the original dividing point between the east and west halves and stretch the wires tight by December 31, 2020. Motion carried 3-0.

Hendricks/Gomez Fence Viewing Request

Doug Hendricks would like to request a fence viewing. Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to conduct a fence viewing on October 13, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. at the fence between Fabian Gomez and Doug Hendricks on the east side of the Gomez property ¼ mile south. Motion 3-0.

Property Tax Abatement Discussion

Discussion was had with Appraiser Jeremy McCully regarding possible tax breaks that might be available. Mr. McCully stated no programs are in place at this time in Elk County.

Executive Session 2:45 p.m.

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to go into executive session for 5-minutes to discuss legal matters with Paul Dean present. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 2:50 p.m.

No action taken.

Executive Session 2:55 p.m.

Commissioner Coble moved and Chairman Evans seconded the motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes to legal matters with Don Sanders and Paul Dean present. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 3:05 p.m.

No action taken.

EMS/Health Facility Discussion

Discussion was had with Miranda Bruening regarding types of lighting and light fixtures. Ms. Bruening has sent plans to be reviewed. Kerry Harrod will forward plans to Kenneth Mitchell, Kandy Dowell, David Evans, Alan Coble and Paul Dean. The plans will be discussed at the next meeting.

Executive Session 3:15 p.m.

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel with Kerry Harrod and Paul Dean present. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 3:25 p.m.

Action: Chairman Evans moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to promote Stefni Hebb to Office Clerk 2 Step 5 to \$12.45 an hour. Motion carried 3-0.

Abatements

Commissioner Kaminska moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to approve abatements PP20-46, RE20-45, TK20-53 and TK20-54. Motion carried 3-0.

Warrants

The warrant fund totals are as follows:

County General \$6,035.68, Ambulance \$307.15, Election \$4,532.86, Rural Fire \$1,699.89, Health \$706.91, Road \$43,139.54, Special Bridge \$8,233.50, Noxious Weed \$6,053.32, Kansas 911 \$304.97.

Chairman Evans moved and Commissioner Coble seconded the motion to pay the warrants in the amount of \$71,013.82. Motion carried 3-0.

The warrant fund totals for the SPARK/CARES Act are County General \$1,009.95. Commissioner Coble moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to pay the warrants in the amount of \$1,009.95. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

Commissioner Coble moved and Commissioner Kaminska seconded the motion to adjourn at 4:05 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)