

ELK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Special Meeting Approved Minutes
JULY 13, 2023

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Special Meeting

9:30 a.m. – Legal - Potential Purchase of Real Estate. Meet ¼ mile west of Highway 160 and Road 15 for viewing of real estate, then meet at the Courthouse for the remaining agenda items.

10:30 a.m. – Ks Department of Commerce for Community Development Block Grant – COVID Resiliency Funds

10:45 a.m. – 2024 Budget

Adjournment

Commissioners Present:

Perry Russell, District I

Doug Hendricks, District II

Jake Liebau, District III

County Clerk: Kerry Harrod

County Counselor: Paul Dean (zoom)

Others:

Shari Kaminska, Community Development

David Brooks

Stephanie Ollenborger, ROD

Ken Mitchell, EMS

Don Sanders, Public Works

Rachel Ware, Treasurer

Call to Order

Chairman Liebau called the special meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Commissioners Liebau, Hendricks and Russell were all present as well as County Clerk Kerry Harrod.

Potential Purchase of Real Estate

The land was viewed and discussion was had regarding the potential purchase. Commissioner Hendricks moved that the county purchase up to 30 acres at \$5,500 an acre from David Brooks based on conversation, cost will be split for land survey and closing costs. Motion died for lack of second. Commissioner Russell moved to enter negotiations with David Brooks for a parcel of land for an industrial park. Motion died for a lack of second.

Recess 10:16 a.m.

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to recess until 10:30 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 10:30 a.m.

Chairman Liebau call the public hearing to order at 10:30 a.m. in the Commission Room of the Courthouse for the Community Development Block Grant – COVID Resiliency funds. Shari Kaminska stated the County is considering applying for a grant up to \$150,000 that is offered as a community development block grant. It is to be used for businesses to install upgrades to help them continue business instead of closing in a community health emergency. The grant is only for businesses that were in business on March 1, 2020 and that has not changed hands. Ms. Kaminska will reach out to the businesses to see if they are interested in the grant. Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to close the hearing. Motion carried 3-0. Ms. Kaminska will schedule another public hearing notice if any businesses are interested.

Back in session 10:45 p.m.

2024 Budget

Discussion was had regarding the 2024 Rural Fire and County budgets. Commissioner Russell moved and Commissioner Hendricks seconded the motion to transfer \$21,000 from the ARPA fund to the Ambulance, \$211,983.47 to County General and leave \$22,000 in the ARAP Fund to pay administrative fees. Motion carried 3-0. Rachel Ware will contact Yerkes & Michels to discuss administration fees. Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to set and publish the County RNR and Budget Hearings for August 28, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at the Elk County Courthouse. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to set and publish the Rural Fire RNR and Budget Hearings for August 28, 2023 following the County hearing. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to adjourn at 11:47 a.m. Motion carried 3-0

ATTEST:

Kerry E. Harrod
Elk County Clerk

Perry Russell, District I

Doug Hendricks, District II

Jake Liebau, District III