

ELK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Approved Minutes
November 25, 2024

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Regularly Scheduled Meeting

1:00 p.m. - Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance & Prayer

Minutes Approval – Regular Meeting Minutes of October 28, 2024 & November 12, 2024

1:05 p.m. – Public Forum

1:10 p.m. – Department Reports

Ambulance	Rural Fire
Appraiser	Sheriff
Emergency Management	Treasurer
Health	County Counselor
Public Works	County Clerk
Register of Deeds	County Attorney
Community Development	

Old Business:

Real Estate @ 1285 Evergreen, Moline

New Business

2:00 p.m.

Insurance for Medicare Employee/Spouse

Executive Session Non-Elected Personnel – Shari Kaminska

Facility Conservation Improvement Program- Rick

Commission Discussion

Abatements:

Presentation of Claims

Other

Adjournment

Future Events: County Christmas Party December 13th @ 6:30p.m.

Commissioners Present:

Perry Russell, District I

Doug Hendricks, District II

Jake Liebau, District III

County Counselor: Paul Dean

County Clerk: Kerry Harrod

Others:

Don Sanders, Public Works

Erica Cordell, EM

John Walker, Sheriff

Malarie Chamberlain, Payroll Clerk

Kristina Kraft, Deputy Treasurer

Rachel Ware, Treasurer

Kaye Spooner

Todd Winscher, Rural Fire

Gillian Beaumont, EMS Director

Chris Miller, Deputy Appraiser

Stefni Hebb, Deputy Clerk

Shari Kaminska, Community Development

Rick Pemberton, KCC

David Carter

Call to Order

Chairman Liebau called the regular meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Commissioners Hendricks and Russell were all present as well as County Clerk Kerry Harrod and County Counselor Paul Dean.

Minutes Approval

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to approve the October 28, 2024 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to approve the November 12, 2024 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to approve the November 14, 2024 general election canvass minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

EMS

Gillian Beaumont stated the yearly state inspection went well. The ambulance will need an alignment from hitting a deer. Mrs. Beaumont requested an executive session for non-elected personal.

Emergency Management

Erica Cordell stated the Integrated Preparedness Planning Workshop was held Thursday, November 14, 2024. The follow-up paperwork has already been submitted and accepted by the State for the EMPG credit. Ms. Cordell

attended the KS 133 Operational Exercise Design in Topeka last week. This was her final training needed to file for her certification.

Public Works

Don Sanders presented reports. Mr. Sanders stated they have been doing tree removal and blading when the weather allows. Mr. Sanders is in the process of getting bids for the construction of the fence around the county yard.

Community Development

Shari Kaminska stated she needs vouchers signed for the BASE grant and she will send a letter stating insurance is in place.

Rural Fire

Todd Winscher would like to purchase a 1988 Hemmit 8x8 10-ton truck. The Commission would like Mr. Winscher to see what equipment he could sell to help with the funds to equip the Hemmit if purchased.

Sheriff

John Walker stated he is still waiting on the title for the Charger from the State.

Treasurer

Rachel Ware requested an executive session to discuss non-elected personal. Mrs. Ware would like to remind everyone that when applying for grants they need to be brought before the Commission first.

County Clerk

Commissioner Russell moved and Commissioner Hendricks seconded the motion to give full time employees \$100 and part-time employees \$50 for Christmas bonus. Motion carried 3-0.

1285 Evergreen, Moline

Paul Dean is working on the deed.

Executive Session 1:38 p.m.

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to recess into executive session for non-elected personal to discuss wages with EMS Director Gillian Beaumont and County Counselor Paul Dean present not to return to open session until 1:48 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 1:48 p.m.

Action: Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to move Joe Mueller from full-time \$13.54hr to part-time \$17.00hr starting December 8, 2024. Motion carried 3-0.

Executive Session 1:52 p.m.

Commissioner Russell moved and Commissioner Hendricks seconded the motion to recess into executive session for non-elected personal to discuss personnel with Treasurer Rachel Ware and County Counselor Paul Dean present not to return to open session until 1:54 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 1:54 p.m.

Action: Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to rehire Jessica Kessler at \$15.00hr in the Treasurer's Office. Motion carried 3-0.

Executive Session 1:56 p.m.

Commissioner Russell moved and Commissioner Hendricks seconded the motion to recess into executive session for non-elected personal to discuss personnel with Shari Kaminska and County Counselor Paul Dean present not to return to open session until 2:00 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Back in session 2:00 p.m.

Action: Commissioner Russell moved and Commissioner Hendricks seconded the motion to accept Shari Kaminska's letter of resignation as the Community Development Director as of the end of the December 2024 payroll. Motion carried 3-0.

Insurance for Medicare Employee/Spouse

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Chairman Liebau seconded the motion to set the insurance reimbursement rate for Medicare at \$400.00 a month. Motion carried 2-0 Russell abstained.

Commission Discussion

Discussion was had regarding the Elk/Greenwood Countyline Road.

Facility Conservation Improvement Program

Rick Pemberton with KCC and David Carter with FCIP spoke of cost saving programs for the courthouse HVAC & Window project.

Warrants

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to approve the warrants in the amount of \$57,297.49. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to approve the payroll in the amount of \$284,236.16. Motion carried 3-0.

Letter of Support

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to approve the letter of support to Twin Valley for broadband expansion. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

Commissioner Hendricks moved and Commissioner Russell seconded the motion to adjourn at 3:55 p.m. Motion carried 3-0.

ATTEST:

Kerry E. Harrod
Elk County Clerk

Perry Russell, District I

Doug Hendricks, District II

Jake Liebau, District III (Chairman)