

County of Lane Commissioner Regular Meeting Minutes
144 S. Lane, Dighton, Kansas 67839
May 4, 2020

Kiley Beach called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Lane County Courthouse Commissioner's Room. Those attending were: Diana Paris-Commissioner, Thomas (Tom) Bennett and Stephanie Terhune-County Clerk.

Stephanie Terhune, Clerk, presented KWORCC open claims, outstanding check list over two years old, 2019 end of year transfers and stated Nex-tech will be moving the County's software to the Treasurer's office since there is more room.

Diana Paris moved to approve two-year-old checks to be placed back onto the books, Tom Bennett seconded. Motion carried.

Diana Paris moved to approve 2019 end-of-year transfer of \$336,534 from the General Fund to Capital Improvement for Employee Benefits; Tom Bennett seconded. Motion carried.

Mike Martindale, Public Works Director, will be advertising to fill the Assistant Director position in the newspapers and online. All three truck drivers have been hauling material to road 80. Discussion of Gage Road project, County roads and millings at the Recycling Center was held. Martindale will bid pick-ups to replace the older two he has; two mowers, a salt spreader and a five-wheel rake will be placed on Purplewave Inc. for auction.

Cynthia Landgraf, EMS Director, reported sixteen runs for the month of April. Landgraf explained why the Phillips monitors will need to be replaced by February 2021 and has been searching for grants to help lower the cost on the County's side for new monitors.

Von Johnston, Noxious Weed, presented his daily log and has been out spraying roadsides.

Kelly DesLauriers, Appraiser, has started reinspection and requested guidance with resident interaction. Commission requested they still knock on the door but keep a six feet distance. Oil values were mailed out on Friday, DesLauriers expects oil hearings to happen around payment under protest time. Most values will stay the same but will see a 50% or more decrease in oil values.

Patricia Sharp, Treasurer, presented Hospital Sales Tax (\$20,680.76). Signs have been posted for visitors to her office and hopes to see more taxes being paid now that they are open to the public. There are still no Drivers License services available until further notice from the State of Kansas.

Mike Martindale added two employees have received their CDLs and has another employee who needs take their combination test.

Bryan Kough, Sheriff, reported one inmate in Ford Co, three in Finney Co and four in Scott Co.

At 9:38 a.m. Diana Paris moved to recess into executive session to discuss employee performance pursuant to the nonelected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (1) for twenty minutes, Tom Bennett seconded. Motion carried. Von Johnston joined the meeting from 9:38 a.m. to 9:51 a.m. At 9:58 a.m. session resumed with no action taken. Those attending the session were: Tom Bennett, Kiley Beach and Diana Paris.

Tom Bennett has been in contact with Colby Glass to provide a bid to replace the glass in the Courthouse windows. Belinda Martindale will be turning off the drinking fountains on first floor. Discussion was held on EMS Phillips monitors, Courthouse automatic door locks and COVID-19 guidance.

Tom Bennett moved to approve the Fire Alarm Specialist bid in the amount of \$3,297.00 for automatic door locks on all outside Courthouse doors; Diana Paris seconded. Motion carried.

At 10:25 a.m. Ruby Martin, Librarian, joined the meeting and presented 2021 budget request. Martin stated Belinda Martindale will be disinfecting the bathroom on first floor several times during the day. The Community Room will be open to the public if social distancing is practiced and no more than five people in the room at a time due to the size of the area.

Commission discussed the County Health Officer position, pipeline exemptions and 2021 budgets.

At 10:54 a.m. Dale Pike-County Attorney, Craig Collins-City of Dighton Superintendent and Bryan Kough joined the meeting. Pike presented information pertaining to electric emergency calls from the citizens of Dighton through the Sheriff's Dispatch system. Discussion was held on the pros and cons of dispatch taking the calls. Since KMEA has their own dispatch service the City of Dighton should take advantage of the service since they have a contract with them. Pike has not heard from Greg Greenwald on his May 1st deadline to install a prairie dog fence on his property. There is no new update on the Cemetery District's annual report, and they have not completed the two-year audit that was requested of them from the residents. Discussion was held on the Cemetery District and inmate medical bills.

Diana Paris moved to approve the claims as listed; Tom Bennett seconded. Motion carried.

Diana Paris moved to approve April 20, 2020 minutes as corrected; Tom Bennett seconded. Motion carried.

There being no further business Diana Paris moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:38 a.m.; Tom Bennett seconded. Motion carried. The next Commissioner's meeting will be held May 18, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Claims May 4, 2020

GENERAL FUND		\$8,189.46
NOXIOUS WEED		\$1,035.79
HEALTH		\$1,726.45
WESTERN PYRAMID		\$3,540.01
PUBLIC WORKS		\$11,774.01
AMBULANCE		\$1,217.40
COUNTY ATTORNEY		\$241.46
EMERGENCY MGT		\$328.98
SHERIFF		\$11,793.85
RURAL FIRE DIST. 1		\$2,081.32
LANE COUNTY 911		\$1,637.17
SPECIAL ROAD & BRIDGE		\$19,195.02
PAYROLL		\$211,584.87
TOTAL		\$274,345.79

ATTEST:

Kiley B. Beach, Chairperson

Stephanie M. Terhune, County Clerk