

County of Lane Commissioner Regular Meeting Minutes
144 S. Lane, Dighton, Kansas 67839
June 19, 2023

Godfried (Bud) Newberry called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Lane County Courthouse Commissioner's Room. Those attending were: Logan Campbell-Commissioner, Cody Vincent-Commissioner, Stephanie Terhune-County Clerk, Billie Barnett Jr.-Emergency Manager/Fire Chief, Cynthia Landgraf-EMS Director, Cathy Salmans-Treasurer, Mike Martindale-Public Works, Mac Barnett Jr.-Noxious Weed, Debra Panzner-Register of Deeds, and Travis Montgomery-Undersheriff.

Cynthia Landgraf, EMS Director, would like to purchase a Stryker cot/powerload system for the Healy Ambulance and presented a bid from Stryker. There are enough funds in the reserve account for the purchase. EMS will be hosting an Infinite Command class for emergency services and would like to purchase the meal for it, Commission agreed to host the meal.

Logan Campbell moved to purchase a Stryker cot and powerload system for the Healy Ambulance (\$53,221.68) and installation (\$1,400.00) and sell the Ferno cot currently in the Ambulance; Cody Vincent seconded. Motion carried.

Cathy Salmans, Treasurer, presented Hospital sales tax (\$38,193.66) and investment reports.

Mac Barnett Jr., Noxious Weed, has three-quarters of the ditches treated within the County, the rain is preventing him from completing private requested jobs. The door has been installed on the shipping container and Stanley Bulinski has been helping Barnett as needed. Some chemicals have lowered in price, but most have stayed the same, residents have been taking advantage of the cost-share program.

Travis Montgomery, Undersheriff, reported two inmates in jail. The computers have been received for the patrol vehicles and Interpol is working on putting the software on them. Two AED machines were refreshed and cost around \$1,100. The range for the Deputies will be up and running soon, Montgomery will be in contact with Mac Barnett Jr. on spraying the area to utilize.

Billie Barnett Jr., Emergency Manager/Fire Chief, presented three bids for beds for the Fire Truck. Of the three bids, Sunflower Trailer will install the grill guard for free. The Schriock ground is in need of weed control, he will contact the neighbors to see if they are interested in taking care of it.

Cody Vincent moved to approve the Sunflower Trailer Sales Inc bid for \$2,795.00 plus the grill guard; Logan Campbell seconded. Motion carried.

Debra Panzner, Register of Deeds, attended the annual Register of Deeds conference last week in Garden City. There was discussion on wind farms and whether each County can pass a resolution to allow them or not allow them. Panzner will request resolutions from other Counties to see what they have done and will get back with Commission. Discussion was held on windfarms in Lane County.

Mike Martindale, Public Works Director, presented the agreement for bridge inspections with Penco and utility construction permit requests from Golden Belt Telephone and Shakespeare Oil Company. Martindale revisited increasing the landfill fees due to the increase in costs. Discussion was held on Dighton City dumpsters and rising costs.

Cody Vincent moved to approve the agreement with Penco on bridge inspections to be completed by November 30, 2023 in the amount of \$2,500.00; Logan Campbell seconded. Motion carried.

Cody Vincent moved to approve the utility construction permit request from Golden Belt Telephone Association for fiber optic communication in White Rock Township; Logan Campbell seconded. Motion carried.

Cody Vincent moved to approve the utility construction permit request from Shakespeare Oil Company Inc. for boring to carry oil or water that is not clean water; Logan Campbell seconded. Motion carried.

Cody Vincent moved to approve the increase in landfill fees: pick-up load \$10.00, farm truck \$35.00, tandem truck load \$72.00 and semi-truck load \$140.00; Logan Campbell seconded. Motion carried.

At 9:41 a.m. Crystal Hoffman, Economic Development/Chamber of Commerce, presented the new tax incentive program changes. Commission gave suggestions to the program; Hoffman will meet with the Economic Development board and get back with Commission on finalized decisions. KSN will be here June 28th to create a promotion clip of Dighton. Both ARPA and Spark grants have been completed and are closed for Lane County.

At 10:05 a.m. Marcia Gable, Mike Ruggiero and Jennifer Whipple with Lane County Hospital presented the 2024 budget request, 2022 financials and 2023 actuals to date.

At 10:36 a.m. Julie Yarmer, FCMI, updated Commission on actual figures of Lane County's medical insurance program to date.

At 10:53 a.m. Travis Montgomery rejoined the meeting to discuss the salary for the Lane County Sheriff's appointed position. Commission has not decided and will address it at a later date.

Logan Campbell moved to approve June 5, 2023 minutes; Cody Vincent seconded. Motion carried.

Logan Campbell moved to approve the claims as listed; Cody Vincent seconded. Motion carried.

Stephanie Terhune, Clerk, stated the Risk Assessment is completed except for some concrete work at the grandstand. Terhune presented 2023 mill levy values for 2024 budgets, KCAMP insurance rate increase, CMB license from the Lions Club, and INA alert and Nex-Tech's email bids.

Commission discussed the fairgrounds project and IT services for Lane County.

Cody Vincent moved to approve the Special Event CMB license for the Lion Club; Logan Campbell seconded. Motion carried.

Logan Campbell moved to approve the bid from INA alert for Lane County's email service in the amount of \$2,108.16 per year; Cody Vincent seconded. Motion carried.

At 11:27 a.m. Dale Pike, County Attorney, explained who the County can do business with, without violating ethics. July 17th has been set to sell the property on Highway 4 as well as Lorena O'Brien's.

Stephanie Terhune has been in contact with MTM to install the handicap door at the 4H building, they will be here this week to complete it. Discussion was held on the Lane-Scott Electric bid for the arena lights.

Logan Campbell moved to approve the Lane-Scott Electric bid to upgrade the arena lights at the fairgrounds in the amount of \$17,257.14; Cody Vincent seconded. Motion carried.

Bud Newberry is still working on the electrical cord for the 4H building. Discussion was held on the fairground project; a decision will be made at the next meeting.

There being no further business Cody Vincent moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:28 a.m.; Logan Campbell seconded. Motion carried. The next Commissioner's meeting will be held July 3, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Claims June 19, 2023

GENERAL FUND		\$11,271.47
NOXIOUS WEED		\$370.22
HEALTH		\$1,636.61
WESTERN PYRAMID		\$5,000.00
PUBLIC WORKS		\$6,433.45
AMBULANCE		\$100.18
EMERGENCY MGT		\$653.92
COUNTY ATTORNEY		\$199.38
SHERIFF		\$3,945.95
RURAL FIRE DISTRICT		\$7,517.21
LANE COUNTY 911		\$13,841.39
SPECIAL ROAD & BRIDGE		\$10,933.16
SCHRIOCK LEGACY		\$28.36
FIRE EQUIP RESERVE		\$32,000.00
TOTAL		\$93,931.30

ATTEST:

Godfried (Bud) Newberry, Chairperson

Stephanie M. Terhune, County Clerk