

**County of Lane Commissioner Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**144 S. Lane, Dighton, Kansas 67839**  
**November 18, 2019**

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

At 9:00 a.m. Crystal Hoffman, Economic Development Director, discussed the sale of 145 W. Long Street building. Hoffman will post an ad online and in the newspaper. Paris called Dale Pike to confirm the process of selling public property.

Von Johnston, Noxious Weed Director, is treating prairie dogs and continues to address requests for treatment when they are called in.

Mike Martindale, Public Works Director, presented an e-mail from KCAMP concerning payment on the upset tractor, less deductible and towing costs. One seasonal employee has been hired and waiting for applications to be turned in for the full-time positions. Martindale discussed an article in the County comment pertaining to CDLs. Commission requested those who do not have a CDL pursue obtaining them prior to February 2020. A mowing and employee complaint were received from a non-resident of the County. Martindale returned the call and will address the complaint with the employee. One of the computers and the Public Work's server will need to be replaced prior to the end of the year since the operating system will not be supported anymore. Employees are currently spot rocking.

Patricia Sharp, Treasurer, presented 2019 levies and pointed out the increase in the City of Dighton's levies.

Nicole Rowe, EMS Director, has been in contact with Zoll about upgrading the monitors, Phillips will also be sending in an estimate. Rowe would like to apply for the CRAFT grant to help purchase the monitors. A bid from Nex-tech and S&T Communications was presented for three computers. Rowe will be attending a stakeholder's meeting in Junction City tomorrow to discuss continuing education and non-transport changes.

Mike Martindale questioned whether Commission would like to see more options for replacing the upset tractor. Commission would like to have more options available from BTI and American Implement.

Debra Panzner, acting Register of Deeds, has nothing to report at this time.

Theresa Dasenbrock and Tiffany O'Rourke with Lewis, Hooper and Dick, stated to let them know if they will need to adjust or amend any budgets prior to end-of-year.

At 9:46 a.m. Kiley Beach 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 ten minutes, Diana Paris seconded. Motion carried. At 9:56 a.m. session resumed with no action taken. Those attending the session were: Tom Bennett, Kiley Beach, Diana Paris and Nicole Rowe.

Commission discussed employee appreciation dinner, County/City appointments and salary worksheets.

Billie Barnett Jr., Emergency Manager, stated the 800 radios are down and is working on fixing them. There was a fire on Saturday in Gove County that Lane County responded to, Barnett suggested to review the agreement between Counties and negotiate. Garden City Cooperative donated cofferdam

rescue equipment to Lane County Fire. Barnett stated that Ness County has implemented a burn ban since Friday. Barnett updated Commission on upcoming events. A discussion of available grants was held. On January 22<sup>nd</sup> there will be a radio communication class for those who are interested.

Diana Paris moved to implement a County wide burn ban effective immediately, Kiley Beach seconded. Motion carried.

Commission discussed repairs to the 4H building and grandstands. Commission questioned why every bill sent in by the Sheriff's Office is late. A discussion of Courthouse parking was held.

At 11:11 a.m. Dale Pike, County Attorney, stated Greg Greenwald's update deadline is coming up and will address any issues then. Healy Oil Company has reimbursed sales tax to Lane County Departments. Lane County Country Club's exemption for taxes will need to be filed with the County Appraiser first prior to any decision. Discussion was held on the airport, there is no new update. A discussion of a public property sale was held.

Kiley moved to approve the claims as listed, Diana Paris seconded. Motion carried.

Kiley Beach moved to approve November 4, 2019 as corrected, Diana Paris seconded. Motion carried.

At 11:40 a.m. Diana Paris moved to recess into executive session to discuss employee evaluations pursuant to the nonelected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (1) for twenty minutes, Kiley Beach seconded. Motion carried. At 12:00 p.m. session resumed with no action taken. Those attending the session were: Tom Bennett, Kiley Beach and Diana Paris.

At 12:01 p.m. session recessed for lunch. At 1:00 p.m. session resumed with Tom Bennett, Kiley Beach, Diana Paris and Stephanie Terhune attending.

At 1:00 p.m. Diana Paris moved to recess into executive session to discuss employee evaluations pursuant to the nonelected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (1) for thirty minutes, Kiley Beach seconded. Motion carried. At 1:30 p.m. session resumed with no action taken. Those attending the session were: Tom Bennett, Kiley Beach and Diana Paris.

At 1:30 p.m. Diana Paris moved to continue in executive session to discuss employee evaluations pursuant to the nonelected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (1) for forty minutes, Kiley Beach seconded. Motion carried. At 2:10 p.m. session resumed with no action taken. Those attending the session were: Tom Bennett, Kiley Beach and Diana Paris.

At 2:10 p.m. Diana Paris moved to recess into executive session to discuss employee evaluations pursuant to the nonelected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (1) for ten minutes, Kiley Beach seconded. Motion carried. At 2:20 p.m. session resumed with no action taken. Those attending the session were: Tom Bennett, Kiley Beach, Diana Paris and Billie Barnett Jr.

At 2:20 p.m. Diana Paris moved to recess into executive session to discuss employee evaluations pursuant to the nonelected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (1) for ten minutes, Kiley Beach seconded. Motion carried. At 2:30 p.m. session resumed with no action taken. Those attending the session were: Tom Bennett, Kiley Beach and Diana Paris.

Kiley Beach moved to re-appoint Billie Barnett Jr. to the Southwest Kansas Regional Emergency Planning Committee to represent Lane County for the 2020-2021 years, Diana Paris seconded. Motion carried.

There being no further business Kiley Beach moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:32 p.m., Diana Paris seconded. Motion carried. The next Commissioner's meeting will be held December 2, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

Claims November 18, 2019

GENERAL FUND		\$11,771.23
NOXIOUS WEED		\$214.42
HEALTH		\$3,543.13
WESTERN PYRAMID		\$
PUBLIC WORKS		\$28,476.31
AMBULANCE		\$250.74
COUNTY ATTORNEY		\$108.74
EMERGENCY MGT		\$193.47
SHERIFF		\$16,133.51
RURAL FIRE DIST. 1		\$646.24
SHERIFF EQUIP. RESERVE		\$670.00
LANE COUNTY 911		\$1,362.04
TOTAL		\$63,369.83

ATTEST:

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Stephanie M. Terhune, County Clerk

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Thomas J. Bennett, Chairperson