

Minutes of January 31, 2022

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, January 31, 2022 at 9 a.m., Chairperson Kathrens, Commissioner Kelly and Commissioner Brenner were present. Deputy County Clerk Tara Peek recorded the minutes.

Approved bills and payroll.

Received a letter from Networks Plus informing the County of their increased labor rates. Received an email from USD #336 Technology Director Tom Sextro encouraging the Board to assist county residents to obtain high speed internet when possible. Discussed an email from Giant representative Austin Taylor requesting matching grant funds for the fiber project at Denison and complete funding for the wireless Delia proposal.

Treasurer Linda Gerhardt joined the meeting to ask the Board for their approval for her office to start another tax sale for next year. She also thanked them for approving her payroll changes last week. Holton Recorder reporter Ali Holcomb joined the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Banner Lake Director Kurt Zibell joined the meeting. He submitted mower bids as follows:

- Heritage Tractor Topeka \$16,696.00
- Prairie Land Partners Wamego \$15,471.56
- Hiawatha Implement \$15,000.00

Each bid came with a trade in amount as well. The Board is waiting for a purchase order confirming the trade in offers before making their decision. Kurt informed the Board that he has joined the science center/observatory board. He has not yet attended a meeting. He discussed the bathroom shower remodel bids he is waiting to hear back on. He has requested onyx walls and bases along with new fixtures to be bid for 12 showers total in two bathhouses.

Adjourned for lunch from noon to 1 p.m.

County Counselor Lee Hendricks joined the meeting.

Public Works Director Scott Kieffaber and Road and Bridge Superintendent Eric Fritz joined the meeting. Scott reported that Mack is requesting an additional surcharge for the trucks ordered in 2021 due to supply chain constraints. Scott had received one bid for new $\frac{3}{4}$ ton trucks from a business in Kansas City and two options for trucks from Ellis Boys Dodge. Chairperson Kathrens suggested asking surrounding counties for bids for trucks they have on their lots. Commissioner Kelly suggested also looking on PurpleWave for used options. Scott shared the information collected from the traffic counter placed on 254 Road. It showed about 250 cars per day traveling that portion and a top speed of 78 mph. The speed limit is 55 mph on this road. He reported that the bridge on 158 has started. Crews are on U4 Road cutting trees alongside Freestate. He and Eric met with Harbour Construction to discuss their chip seal plans for this season. They are waiting to get a bid back. Discussed the passing of Road and Bridge employee Ray Hallauer and his memorial services.

County Counselor Lee Hendricks discussed the proposed Paycom agreement, mural agreement and custodian of records resolution.

Commissioner Kelly made a motion to approve the January 24th minutes as written and Commissioner Brenner seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

Paycom representative Becca Fowler joined the meeting to discuss the transition process for implementing her company's payroll products and the timeline. Commissioner Brenner made a motion to approve Agreement 2022-03 Paycom for the implementation investment of \$5,576.00 and Commissioner Kelly seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

Signed the following Purchase Orders:

Department	PO #	To	For	Amount
Register of Deeds	6831	County Binders	Book binding repairs	\$9,209.35

The meeting adjourned at 4:23 p.m. The next Commission meeting will be Monday, February 7, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

Board of County Commissioners
Jackson County, Kansas

Ed Kathrens, 1st District

Dan Brenner, 2nd District

Keith Kelly, 3rd District

Attest:

Kathy Mick
Jackson County Clerk