

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, JANUARY 6, 2020

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 A.M. with Second District County Commissioner Thad G. Geiger, Chairman, calling the meeting to order. First District County Commissioner Timothy D. Collins and County Clerk Peggy Franken were present. County Attorney Charles D. Baskins was present for a portion of the meeting. Third District County Commissioner Jerry P. McKernan was absent.

The Kansas Chief Reporter Paul Stewart observed the entire regular meeting. Others present for a portion of the meeting included First District Road Foreman Sean Price, Second District Road Foreman Nick Popple, Third District Road Foreman Steve Gerdes, Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris, Foley Equipment Sales Representative Kevin Bell, Murphy Tractor Sales Representatives Jacob White and Brian Bremer, Economic Development Director Leah B. Johnson, Jerry Bauman and Bryan Ptomey.

Commissioner Geiger made a motion to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Commissioner Collins seconded.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve County Commission minutes of the December 30, 2019 regular meeting as written. Commissioner Geiger seconded.

Commissioner Geiger made a motion to approve payroll and warrants for the period of December 31, 2019 as presented. Commissioner Collins seconded.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve added taxes to the 2019 Doniphan County tax roll in the amount of \$114.96. Commissioner Geiger seconded.

Fee reports for the month of December 2019 were reviewed by the Board on behalf of the County Clerk, Register of Deeds and Sheriff.

Currently the Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center houses 6 local and 2 Wyandotte County inmates.

Third District Road Foreman Steve Gerdes informed the County Commission Foley Equipment is assessing the 2006 International snow plow truck #194 for electrical repair. Foreman Gerdes stated a vendor in Platte City, Missouri, will remove the DEF (Diesel Exhaust Fluid) system from the 2012 Freightliner trucks. The Board of County Commissioners took no action pending review of Department of Transportation and EPA regulations on the Diesel Exhaust Fluid system.

Second District Road Foreman Nick Popple told the County Board the Second Road District is servicing trucks and working on hooking the vibra hammer up to the excavator. Plans are in place to commence work on several road projects once utilities have been located. Foreman Popple also presented the Board of County Commissioners with trade value on two 2012 Freightliner trucks. The Board took no action.

First District Road Foreman Sean Price said the First Road District is working on rocking soft spots in county roadways. Foreman Price also stated Norfolk Contracting will begin repair work on bridge T133-3 on 190th Road in Section 19 Township 3 Range 20E as soon as the ground freezes, materials for the project has been delivered.

The Board of County Commissioners approved First District Road Foreman Price obtaining cost estimates to bore drainage tile under county roadways to prevent silting in of road tubes and water pooling along county roadways.

The Board of County Commissioners also directed the Road Department to draft bid specifications for their review and approval for purchase of tires for all Road Districts.

Economic Development Director Leah B. Johnson informed the Board of County Commissioners of her upcoming attendance at the Kansas Sampler Foundation retreat for rural leaders.

Correspondence was presented to the Board of County Commissioners from Northeast Kansas Environmental Services regarding cleanup of property located at 190th and Oxide Roads in Troy, Kansas.

County Clerk Peggy Franken informed the Board of County Commissioners of Risk Assessment Grant award in the amount of \$1,910.00 through KCAMP, the County's liability and property insurance company. The grant funds will be used to purchase an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) for use in the courthouse.

Clerk Franken also informed the County Commission of sales tax receipts in the amount of \$44,678.20. Commissioner Geiger suggested the County Board give consideration to using a portion of sales tax proceeds for infrastructure improvements within each Road District.

At 9:11 A.M. the Board of County Commissioners took a 5-minute recess with the meeting to be called back to order in the office of County Commission at 9:16 A.M.

At 9:16 A.M. Commissioner Collins made a motion to recess into executive session with legal counsel for the purpose of discussing confidential data relating to trade secrets with the meeting to be called back to order in the office of the County Commission at 9:26 A.M. Commissioner Geiger seconded. The County Attorney, County Clerk and Road Office Manager remained.

At 9:26 A.M. Commissioner Collins made a motion to extend the executive session for the purpose of continuing discussion with legal counsel on confidential data relating to trade secrets with the meeting to be called back to order in the office of County Commission at 9:41 A.M. Commissioner Geiger seconded. The County Attorney, County Clerk and Road Office Manager remained.

Chairman Geiger announced the Doniphan County Board of Commissioners would not accept bids for the purchase of 2020 motor graders as submitted, with motor graders to be rebid based on the same specifications including 84 month/7,000 hour comprehensive warranty with TT&M and 84 month/5,000 hour comprehensive warranty with TT&M. Bids not to specifications will not be considered by the Board of County Commissioners. Bid letting set for January 13, 2020 at 10:30 A.M. in the office of the Doniphan County Commission.

Jerry Bauman asked the Board of County Commissioners to assist with drainage issue on 225th and Sheridan Roads. Second District Road Foreman Nick Popple and Second District Commissioner Thad Geiger will meet with Mr. Bauman to view the project.

Commissioner Geiger made a motion to extend lease on 22.5 acre landfill farm to Tenant Jared Meng for the 2020 crop year at a rate of \$194.00 per acre. Commissioner Collins seconded.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to extend lease on 9.5 acre landfill farm hay ground to Tenants Joel Euler and JT Euler at rate of \$200.00 for the 2020 crop year. Commissioner Geiger seconded.

Commissioner Geiger made a motion to approve Road Department expenses to Highland Hardware in the amount of \$257.15 and Foley Equipment in the amount \$594.65 for repair on truck #194 2006 International.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris updated the Board of County Commissioners on the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's new drug and alcohol clearinghouse. The clearinghouse is a secure online database that will give employers, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, State Driver Licensing agencies and State law enforcement personnel real-time information about CDL (Commercial Driver's License) driver's drug and alcohol program violations. Compliance One will serve as Doniphan County's clearinghouse to conduct both electronic queries and traditional manual inquiries with previous employers to meet the required three-year time frame and conduct at least annually a query for every CDL driver currently employed with Doniphan County.

County Commissioner Tim Collins asked for the Board of County Commissioners consideration on increasing the County Commissioners spending authority (currently \$1,500.00) for emergency situations and repairs during the 2020 reorganization meeting of the Board of County Commissioners to be held January 13, 2020 at 8:30 A.M.

County Clerk Peggy Franken informed the Board of County Commissioners of funeral arrangements for former Sheriff and Elwood City Police Chief Lawrence (Larry) Hunsaker. Visitation will be held Friday, January 10, 2020 from 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. at the Elwood United Community Church. Celebration of life services to be held Saturday, January 11, 2020 at 10:00 A.M. at Riverside east campus gym.

At 10:10 A.M. Commissioner Geiger made a motion to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing legal matters of a confidential nature with counsel with the meeting to be called back to order in the office of the County Commission at 10:30 A.M. Commissioner Collins seconded. The County Attorney and County Clerk remained.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Geiger adjourned the meeting at 10:31 A.M.

DATED THIS 6TH DAY OF JANUARY 2020.

Attest: _____
Peggy Franken, County Clerk

Thad G. Geiger, Chairman