

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, OCTOBER 7, 2019

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, Third District County Commissioner Jerry P. McKernan and County Clerk Peggy Franken were present. County Attorney Charles D. Baskins was present for a portion of the meeting.

The Kansas Chief Reporter Paul Stewart observed the entire regular meeting. Others present for a portion of the meeting included Gerald Neibling, First District Road Foreman Sean Price, First District Road Employee Michael Simmons, Health Department/Home Health Administrator Sheryl Pierce, Aging Administrator Peggy Wood, Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris and KANZA Mental Health and Guidance Center CEO David Jasper.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve the meeting agenda as amended to include discussion on electrical installation at First District road shop. Motion carried.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion to approve County Commission minutes of the September 30, 2019 regular meeting as written. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fee report for the month of October 2019 was presented to the Board for their review on behalf of the Register of Deeds and Sheriff.

Currently the Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center houses 8 local inmates and 7 out of county inmates.

Gerald Neibling met with the Board of County Commissioners to discuss upgrade of existing electrical to First District road shop and running of new electrical service to equipment storage building, expressing concern with the project not being bid and no written bid specifications for the scope of the project. The Board of County Commissioners tabled action pending discussion with legal counsel on bidding process.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve Kansas Department of Health and Environment WIC grant in an amount up to \$47,150.00. Commissioner McKernan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 8:56 A.M. Commissioner Collins made a motion to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing and protecting the individual interest of non-elect personnel in the Health Department, with the meeting to be called back to order in the office of the County Commission at 9:01 A.M. Motion carried. County Clerk and Health Department/Home Health Administrator remained.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to hire Audrey Boos, Registered Nurse, in a working after retirement position on an as needed part-time basis for the Doniphan County Health Department at an annual salary not to exceed \$24,999.00 effective October 1, 2019. Commissioner McKernan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 9:02 A.M. Commissioner Collins made a motion to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing and protecting the individual interest of non-elect personnel in the Road Department, with the meeting to be called back to order in the office of the County Commission at 9:17 A.M. Commissioner McKernan seconded the motion. Motion carried. County Clerk, First District Road Foreman and Michael Simmons remained.

County Clerk Peggy Franken presented the County Commission with sales tax receipts in the amount of \$48,318.23 for their review.

Aging Administrator Peggy Wood presented the Board of County Commissioners with bids for the construction of a 12'x30' lean to on the east side of the Highland Senior Citizens Center over the ADA accessible ramp.

- Simmons Excavation LLC (Everest, KS) \$5,400.00
- Smith Plumbing (Troy, KS) \$5,750.00
- Northeast Kansas Builders (Atchison, KS) \$7,200.00

Commissioner McKernan made a motion to accept the best bid of in county vendor Smith Plumbing in the amount of \$5,750.00 and to pay the expense from the New Sales Tax fund as a capital improvement to county owned facility. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Geiger told the County Board he will visit with Doniphan Electric about working together on trimming brush and trees along county road rights-of-way.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris informed the Board of County Commission she contacted the Kansas Department of Transportation regarding removal of DEF (Diesel Exhaust Fluid) systems from rock trucks. According to the Kansas Department of Transportation the DEF system can be removed however any warranty on the vehicle will be voided. It was recommended trucks under warranty or being leased should not have the DEF system removed.

Commissioner Geiger made a motion to approve purchase of Milwaukee high impact wrench for use in the Second Road District from Highland Hardware in the amount of \$699.00. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris presented the Board of County Commissioners with a conditions report on four 2015 John Deere 770G Motor Graders, which are subject to repurchase agreement with Murphy Tractor at the end of 5 years or 5,000 hours.

Discussion was held in regard to bid for purchase of H beam guardrail posts through Purplewave Auction Service. No action was taken.

At 9:43 A.M. Commissioner Geiger made a motion to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing trade secrets with legal counsel, with the meeting to reconvene in the office of the County Commission at 9:58 A.M. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried. County Attorney and County Clerk remained.

David Jasper, KANZA Mental Health and Guidance Center CEO, met with the Board of County Commissioners to update them on the status of the Troy Office location. KANZA will sell the building located at 134 E. Walnut Street in Troy, Kansas. And is in the process of entering into a long term lease agreement to lease office space located at 135 N. Main Street, Troy, Kansas, an ADA accessible building adjacent to Doniphan County Library District No. 1.

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

DATED THIS 7TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2019.

Attest: _____
Peggy Franken, County Clerk

Thad G. Geiger, Chairman