

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, JUNE 15, 2020**

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Doniphan County Commission, Troy, Kansas, 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 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 meeting. Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris, Gerald (G.E.) Pierce, Jr., Emergency Management Coordinator Julie Meng and Health Department/Home Health Administrator Sheryl Pierce were present for a portion of the meeting.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion to approve County Commission minutes of the June 8, 2020 regular meeting as written. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion to approve payroll and warrants for the period of June 15, 2020 as presented. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Currently the Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center houses 1 Wyandotte County and 8 local inmates.

Chairman Geiger reminded the County Commission Deffenbaugh Industries, Inc., doing business as Waste Management, will operate the transfer station to the public on the second Saturday of every month between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and noon, with the stipulation if there is a greater need, days would be extended.

Commissioner Collins told the County Board First Road District is obtaining a cost estimate to purchase two loads of cold patch material.

The Board of County Commissioners reiterated county policy stating there is no leave time for employees of the Road Department during chip seal season.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris told the County Commission she reached out to Buchanan County, Missouri regarding use of asphalt millings from Herzog Contracting Corp. in place of chat. Buchanan County reports asphalt millings create a good road surface and there is no need for stockpiling, as Herzog makes the product throughout the season. Half inch washed screened millings are \$15.50 per ton compared to washed screened chat at \$20.00 per ton. Herzog also offered 1.5" to 2" unscreened asphalt milling material for larger projects at a cost of \$12.50 per ton. The Board of County Commissioners agreed to purchase half inch washed screened asphalt millings at a rate of \$15.50 per ton from Herzog Contracting Corp to be used in place of one mile of chat on planned chip seal roads in each Road District in order to test the product, with Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris to work with Road Foremen on logistics.

G. E. Pierce met with the Board of County Commissioners to request permission to have surveyed and opened up 130th Road from 1206 130th Road to Larkinburg Road along the south line of Section 13 Township 4 Range 21E for property access. The Board of County Commissioners took no action pending review of road records and viewing of the site.

Chairman Thad Geiger executed a contractual agreement between Doniphan County, Kansas and Terracon to perform geo-tech boring services on Peck Road near the intersection of 245th Road in Section 23 Township 2 Range 21E.

At 9:00 A.M. public hearing was held for the purpose of authorizing the disposal of certain tract of real estate owned by Doniphan County, Kansas, by vacating and transferring its interest in property to adjoining landowner pursuant to K.S.A. 19-211 (a)(5). Said land is described as follows:

A tract of land in the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 2 South, Range 19 East of the 6th P.M., described as follows: BEGINNING at the Northwest Corner of said Quarter Section; thence South along the West line of said Quarter Section 121.0 feet; thence East 361.8 feet to a point 121.0 feet South of the North line of said Quarter Section; thence North 121.0 feet South of the North line of said Quarter Section; thence West along said North line to the place of beginning, and

A tract of land in the East Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 29, Township 2 South, Range 19 East of the 6th P.M., described as follows: BEGINNING at the Northeast Corner of said Quarter Section; thence South along the East line of said Quarter Section 121.0 feet; thence Westerly 538.2 feet to a point 121.2 feet South of the North line of said Quarter Section; thence North 45.0 feet; thence Westerly to a point on the West line 76.5 feet South of the Northwest Corner of said East Half of the Northwest Quarter Section; thence North 76.5 feet to the North line of said Quarter Section; thence East along said North line to the place of beginning.

There being no public present, Chairman Geiger closed the public hearing at 9:06 A.M.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to adopt Doniphan County Resolution 2020-06, a Resolution authorizing the disposal of a certain tract of real estate owned by Doniphan County, Kansas by vacating and transferring its interest in said property to the adjoining landowner pursuant to K.S. A. 19-211 (a)(5) and cause publication of such two times in the official county newspaper. Commissioner McKernan seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Resolution 2020-06 was recorded and is on file in the office of the Doniphan County Clerk in Resolution Book 3 page 233.

The Board of County Commissioners executed a dust control agreement between Doniphan County Road Department and property owner located at 1062 195th Road for dust control application from 1057 to 1071 195th Road.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris informed the County Commissioners she has contacted Foley Equipment to reserve use of a roller on a rental basis for next year with the company.

County Clerk Peggy Franken presented the Board of County Commissioners with Doniphan County Ambulance District No. 1 annual statistics report for 2019 and request to increase Doniphan County appropriations by \$75,000 beginning with the 2021 budget year. The request for additional funds would be used to offset the rising cost of medical supplies, medical equipment, health insurance, and extremely low staffing. The Board of County Commissioners

requested Clerk Franken contact Director of EMS Matthew McKittrick to meet with the Board of County Commissioners to discuss in further detail prior to taking action.

Emergency Management Coordinator Julie Meng and Health Department/Home Health Administrator Sheryl Pierce presented the Board of County Commissioners with the Doniphan County, Kansas Covid-19 Reopening Order as developed by Doniphan County Health Officer Dr. Bradley J. Gaul, MD and ratified by the Board of County Commissioners, acting as the Board of Health, on June 1, 2020. According to the Health Order effective June 15, 2020 at 12:01 P.M. Doniphan County shall be in Phase Four/Phase Out with all restrictions lifted A) Providing the county's local transmission rate continues to remain steady or decline. B) Individuals may choose to continue social distancing, but it will no longer be an expectation. C) Individual businesses may likewise choose to continue to implement guideline within their businesses that help protect their employees, customers and the public. D) Restaurants and other establishments no longer must provide barriers or maintain 6 feet of distance between tables. Administrator Pierce said there have been no new Covid-19 cases in the last 10 days, out of 20 confirmed cases in Doniphan County, two remain unresolved but are ready to be released from isolation. Chairman Geiger, on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, thanked all those responsible for controlling, containing and preventing the spread of the Coronavirus pandemic (Covid-19) including Doniphan County Health Officer Dr. Bradley J. Gaul, MD, Health Administrator Sheryl Pierce and staff, Emergency Management Coordinator Julie Meng and all other county employees who played a role in preventing the spread of the disease. Commissioner Geiger made a motion to confirm Phase Four/Phase Out stage of the Doniphan County, Kansas Covid-19 Reopening Order. Commissioner McKernan seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Health Department/Home Health Administrator Sheryl Pierce informed the Board of County Commissioners FEMA, Cares Act, Kansas Department of Health and Environment, and Covid-19 grant funds will be used to hire a full time Registered Nurse, part-time as needed Registered Nurse and Homemaker for the Health Department. Pierce stated grant funds are allowable towards salaries as they are used for contract tracing associated with epidemiology. Due to the number of programs offered by the Health Department, she would like to begin advertising to fill the open positions. Commissioner Collins asked if grant funds would cover entire salaries of the Registered Nurse, part-time Registered Nurse and Homemaker. Administrator Pierce said grant funds are available to cover the first-year salaries with departmental funds available afterwards, the positions would require no additional mill levy monies to be generated.

County Clerk Peggy Franken informed the County Commission she and Deputy Treasurer Nicole Diveley held a teleconference with David Harper, Kansas Department of Revenue Director of Vehicles, who indicated the State of Kansas would resume driver's licensing services in Doniphan County on July 7, 2020 and would begin training Treasure and other county staff on driver's license operations once the State of Kansas opens back up following the shelter in place order issued by Governor Laura Kelly to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus pandemic.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Geiger adjourned the meeting at 9:46 A.M.

DATED THIS 15TH DAY OF JUNE 2020.

Attest: _____
Peggy Franken, County Clerk

Thad G. Geiger, Chairman