

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, NOVEMBER 2, 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, County Attorney Charles Baskins and County Clerk Peggy Franken were present.

The Kansas Chief Reporter Paul Stewart observed the entire meeting. Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris, First District Road Foreman Sean Price, Undersheriff Mark Allen and Kitchen Administrator Judy Allen were present for a portion of the meeting.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion to approve the meeting agenda as amended to include non-elect personnel executive session. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve County Commission minutes of the October 26, 2020 meeting as written. Commissioner McKernan seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion to approve warrants for the period of October 30, 2020 as presented. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Fee reports for the month of October 2020 were presented on behalf of the County Clerk and Register of Deeds for the Board's review.

Currently the Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center houses 5 local inmates.

Nathan Bokay, resident of Marion Township, asked the Board of County Commissioners to consider a county wide mask mandate to help combat the spread of the coronavirus. It was the consensus of the Board of County Commissioners, due to lack of ability to enforce a mask mandate, to encourage and recommend but not require wearing of masks, usage of personal protective equipment, proper hygiene and social distancing to prevent the spread of the coronavirus.

County Clerk/Election Officer Peggy Franken informed the County Commission the County Election office will be performing curb side voting for registered voters in the November 3, 2020 General Election who are quarantined due to the coronavirus or have any other ailment or disability. Registered voters are asked to contact the County Clerk's office.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to execute a letter of support on behalf of Doniphan County Services and Workskills for Kansas Department of Transportation public transportation grant application. Commissioner McKernan seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris told the County Board Hamm Quarries plans to return to Doniphan County and begin crushing rock in 2021. Discussion was held in regard to rock stockpile cash balances held at Hamm Quarries. The Board of County Commissioners were in agreement to have rock stockpile funds refunded to Doniphan County.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to allocate 1,000 ton of rock to each the First and Second Road Districts and 500 ton of rock to the Third Road District from the Road and Bridge general fund. Commissioner McKernan seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Geiger made a motion to rescind the motion from October 26, 2020 for the purchase of four 14 ply tires at a cost of \$389.02 each from Neumann Services for the belly dump trailer in the Second Road District. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Geiger made a motion to purchase four 16 ply tires at a cost of \$409.99 each from Neumann Services for the belly dump trailer in the Second Road District. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to purchase \$10,000.00 worth of rock for Ash Point Road from Leona city limits to Star corner from the Road and Bridge general fund, reserving \$16,000.00 in rock funds to each the Second and Third Road Districts. Commissioner McKernan seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris reminded the Board of County Commissioners to reserve enough funds in the Road and Bridge general fund to purchase shot rock to be used to shore up road banks.

Commissioner Geiger made a motion to allow Second District Road Foreman Wayne Carter to utilize a week without pay in January 2021. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Undersheriff Mark Allen asked for the Board of County Commissioners consideration in leasing a sanitizing machine for the Doniphan County Kitchen, located at the Jerry K. Dubach Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center, at a rate of \$170.00 per month from US Foods. The Board of County Commissioners took no action pending review of contractual agreement.

At 9:15 A.M. Commissioner McKernan made a motion to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing and protecting the interest of non-elect personnel in the Kitchen, with the meeting to be called back to order in the office of the County Commission at 9:25 A.M. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0. The County Attorney, County Clerk and Kitchen Administrator remained.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to advertise for part-time Kitchen assistant with potential of transitioning into full-time employment. Commissioner McKernan seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

At 9:30 A.M. Commissioner McKernan made a motion to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing and protecting the 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 9:40 A.M. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0. The County Attorney, County Clerk and Road Office Manager remained.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion to terminate employment of Third District Road Foreman Stephen Gerdes effective immediately November 2, 2020. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Geiger adjourned the meeting at 9:41 A.M.

DATED THIS 2ND DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020.

Attest: _____
Peggy Franken, County Clerk

Thad G. Geiger, Chairman