

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, DECEMBER 19, 2016**

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 o'clock A.M. with First District County Commissioner Timothy D. Collins, Chairman, calling the meeting to order. Second District County Commissioner Terry W. Horner, 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.

Commissioner-elect Thad Geiger observed the entire meeting.

Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Horner, to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2016 regular meeting as written. Motion carried.

Commissioner Horner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve abated taxes to the 2016 Doniphan County tax roll in the amount of \$99.90. Motion carried.

Fee reports for the months of November and December 2016 were presented to the Board on behalf of the Sheriff for their review.

Currently there are 13 local inmates housed in the Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center.

Commissioner Collins informed the County Board a new motor has been ordered from Hiawatha Implement for the salt spreader in the First District road shop at a cost of \$1,625.00. In addition, Commissioner Collins is obtaining bids for replacement of lighting in the First District road shop.

Doniphan County Ambulance District No. 1 run statistic reports for the months of October and November 2016 were presented to the Board for their review.

It was the consensus of the Board to purchase chains for a rock truck and grader in the Third District road shop at a cost of \$993.42.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to purchase a replacement copier/printer/fax machine for the Wathena Keen-Age Center in the amount of \$350.00. Motion carried.

Road Secretary Martha Wiedmer reviewed projected 2016 expenses and 2017 cash carryover in the Road and Bridge fund with the Board of County Commissioners.

Commissioner Horner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to enroll Site 2 on 180th Spur Road in the USDA Emergency Watershed Protection Program to receive federal funds through the Natural Resources Conservation Office for bank stabilization located in the Southwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 25 Township 3 Range 20E, with Doniphan County responsible for 25% of the projected \$53,040.00 project cost. Motion carried.

Chairman Collins executed final documentation requesting \$21,007.00 in federal funding reimbursement through the USDA Emergency Watershed Protection Program administered by the Natural Resources Conservation Office for bank stabilization on Site 1 of 180th Spur Road located in Section 26 Township 3 Range 20E.

Commissioner Horner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to grant authority to the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners to execute all documentation on behalf of Doniphan County pertaining to Emergency Watershed Protection program funds designated through the Natural Resources Conservation Services Office for Site 2 on 180th Spur Road located in the Southwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 25 Township 3 Range 20E. Motion carried.

Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Horner, to enter into an agreement with Schwab-Eaton, PA for engineering services for replacement of Bridge T 32-1 located on Mineral Point and 210th Roads, in an amount not to exceed \$45,700.00. Motion carried.

Road Secretary Wiedmer informed the County Board replacement of Bridge T 433-3 located at the intersection of 190th and Saratoga Roads will begin January 9, 2017 weather permitting. The roadway will be closed to all traffic during construction.

The status of closing County departments due to inclement weather was discussed by the Board of County Commissioners. It was the consensus of the Commission to follow County policy and employees who did not work the entire work day will utilize leave time in the form of vacation or comp time or leave without pay if no leave time permits.

Gary Satter with Glacial Hills RC&D Council appeared before the Board to give an annual program update.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to provide 2016 annual support to Glacial Hills RC&D Council in the amount of \$2,500.00. Motion carried.

Commissioner Collins requested Sheriff Chad Clary's presence at the meeting to discuss policy of the Sheriff's Department on providing back up assistance to other municipalities. Sheriff Clary advised when City Police Departments do not have available staff to provide back up protection and services the Sheriff's Department does so as the County agency.

Commissioner Collins also asked Sheriff Clary to address public concern with the Sheriff's Department crossing over into Missouri. Sheriff Clary said there are many instances the Sheriff's Department must cross over into Missouri and without a specific date and time he would not be able to say specifically.

Scott Williams, Murphy Tractor Representative, presented the Board of County Commissioners with buy back options for the 2010 and 2011 John Deere motor graders and a lease purchase option for the purchase of four 2017 John Deere 672G all-wheel drive motor graders. Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to utilize Murphy Tractor's buy back option for one 2010 and three 2011 John Deere 770G motor graders for the lease purchase of four 672G John Deere all-wheel drive motor graders for a five-year period at a rate of 2.750%, with an annual payment of \$121,312.88. Motion carried.

Scott Williams, Murphy Tractor Representative, also provided Commissioner McKernan with purchase options for a used backhoe for the Third District road department. No action was taken.

Road Supervisor Bob Edie presented the Board with information for the purchase of two semi trucks to be used to pull the belly dump trailers in the First and Second District road departments. No action was taken.

Road Supervisor Edie is also obtaining estimates to lease purchase three rock trucks for the road department.

Road Supervisor Bob Edie informed the County Board the Road Department treated S. Fifth Street in White Cloud, Kansas during inclement weather with sand, however the roadway is still in need of additional treatment. It was the consensus of the Board to provide additional sand and hauling for the main thoroughfare in White Cloud. The Board also asked Supervisor Edie to request the City of White Cloud contact the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska to seek assistance with treating roadways in the city leading to the White Cloud Casino during inclement weather.

Commissioner Horner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to increase the starting wage to \$10.00 per hour for Doniphan County employees beginning January 1, 2017. Motion carried.

Commissioner Horner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to grant County employees and elected officials, with the exception of County Commissioners, a .50 per hour pay increase beginning January 1, 2017. Commissioner McKernan cast a nay vote.

At 11:31 A.M. Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to enter into executive session for a period of 30-minutes for the purpose of discussing legal matters with counsel. Motion carried. The County Attorney and County Clerk remained.

The meeting reconvened at 12:01 P.M. with no action taken.

Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Horner, to purchase up to 2 acres of land described as the Northeast ¼ of the Southwest ¼ east of the current county road, known as Heartland Road, in Section 22, Township 2, Range 20E in the amount of \$6,500.00 per acre for future road realignment, upon recommendation of Doniphan County's liability insurance attorney. Motion carried.

There being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Collins made a motion to adjourn at 12:03 P.M. Commissioner McKernan seconded the motion and it carried.

DATED THIS 19TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2016.

Attest: _____
Peggy Franken, County Clerk

Timothy D. Collins, Chairman