

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES**  
**DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, JANUARY 3, 2017**

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 absent.

The Kansas Chief Reporter Paul Stewart and Susan Studer observed the entire meeting.

Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to approve the minutes of the December 30, 2016 regular meeting as written. Motion carried.

Fee reports for the month of December 2016 were presented to the Board on behalf of the Register of Deeds and Sheriff for their review.

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

Stan Ruhnke addressed the Board of County Commissioners with a request to install a security light on the Veteran's Memorial on the west side of the courtyard. The Board of County Commissioners made no objection. Mr. Ruhnke will contact the City of Troy and work with employees of Doniphan County to tie the lighting into the courthouse electrical supply.

Commissioner Horner asked Stan Ruhnke to ensure the Doniphan County American Legion erects a plaque on the Veteran's Memorial recognizing the current sitting Board of County Commissioners and all those responsible for the project.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to purchase a 2012 Freightliner 10-speed with 180,489 miles, with wet kit installed, for \$53,500.00 and a 2012 Freightliner 10-speed with 405,346 miles, with wet kit installed, for \$52,500.00 from Transport Truck Sales Inc. of Kansas City, Kansas, with the expense to be paid from the Equipment Reserve fund. Commissioner Horner seconded the motion and it carried.

Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Horner, to purchase a 2013 Caterpillar 420F backhoe with 1109 hours from Foley Equipment with 401 bucket and all attachments at a cost of \$76,000.00 (price includes trade of 2005 JCB 214F backhoe). And to purchase an extended 3 year/3,000 hour power train and hydraulics warranty for \$4,000.00 on the backhoe, with the purchase to be made from the Equipment Reserve fund. Motion carried.

Road Supervisor Bob Edie informed the County Board the area in the 1300 block of Mesquito Creek Road has been patched with base rock, as no patching material is available this time of year. As soon as patching material becomes available permanent repairs will be made to the roadway.

Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to repair the Fiat dozer in the First District road department at a cost not to exceed \$7,000.00 with repair work to be completed by Ellis McGuire of St. Joseph, Missouri. Motion carried.

Commissioner Collins informed the County Board he would like to look at replacing the track hoe in the First District road department during the current year.

Commissioner McKernan inquired if the Road Department has any big projects that need to be completed. Road Supervisor Bob Edie told the County Board other than installing a couple 6' tubes there are no large projects currently in the works for the Road Department.

Appraiser Danielle Kiefer met with the County Board to request an additional pay increase for the Deputy Appraiser due to the starting wage increasing to \$10.00 per hour beginning January 1, 2017. It was the consensus of the Board of County Commissioners to not grant any pay adjustments due to the increase in starting wage and leave the hourly pay increase as set beginning January 1, 2017.

Commissioner Horner updated the County Board on the entrance tube relocation project on Larkinburg Road for Corey Smith. Commissioner Horner said he was contacted by several residents with concern over the removal of trees along the County right-of-way. Based on public concern the trees were not removed and the tube was relocated to allow Mr. Smith entrance into his property.

There being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Collins made a motion to adjourn at 9:14 A.M. Commissioner McKernan seconded the motion and it carried.

DATED THIS 3RD DAY OF JANUARY 2017.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Peggy Franken, County Clerk

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Timothy D. Collins, Chairman