

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, NOVEMBER 27, 2018

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. 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. First District County Commissioner Timothy D. Collins was absent.

The Kansas Chief Reporter Paul Stewart observed the entire meeting.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Geiger, to approve the meeting agenda as presented.

Commissioner Geiger made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to approve County Commission minutes of the November 19, 2018 regular meeting as written.

Fee report for the period of November 1-15, 2018 was presented to the Board for their review on behalf of the Sheriff.

Currently there are eleven local and five out of county inmates housed in the Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Geiger, to approve payroll and warrants for the period of November 30, 2018.

The Board of County Commissioners expressed their appreciation and gratitude to all county employees working during the weekend snow storm to get roads opened for public safety and all emergency personnel, including those who worked to get the walks cleared in order to open the courthouse and other county departments.

Assistant Aging Administrator Peggy Wood asked the County Commission about the status of utilities at the Elwood Leisure Hour Senior Center when the facility closes on November 30, 2018. It was the consensus of the Board of County Commissioners to have Mrs. Wood contact officials with the City of Elwood to determine if the City will charge for hook-up fees once the Center re-opens and who is responsible for payment of utilities after November 30, 2018. The Board of County Commissioners will reach out to the City of Elwood regarding proposal from the City of Elwood on keeping the Elwood Leisure Hour Senior Center open.

Road Office Manger Lindsay Norris informed the County Commission brake repair work on the Fiat Allis bull dozer exceeded spending authority by \$306.12. The Board was in consensus to pay the additional amount for brake repair work to Ellis McGuire.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Geiger, to approve Road and Bridge expenditures to Franken Auto Parts in the amount of \$470.36 and Murphy Tractor in the amount of \$327.98.

Commissioner Geiger asked Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris to have the Road Department make it annual practice to inventory equipment to determine equipment needed and no longer needed by the department.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris inquired as to the chain of command during a weather related event, such as snow storm. Chairman Geiger advised the Sheriff's Department should first contact Road Foremen, then Deputy Road Foremen, if no answer the Road District's Commissioner and Road Office Manager should be contacted.

Discussion was held in regard to the Board of County Commissioners setting goals for 2019. Chairman Geiger stated a goal of the County Commission should be to set competitive wages by department. Geiger asked County Clerk Peggy Franken to address a memo to each county department inquiring about upcoming events during 2019 that the Board of County Commissioners should be apprised of.

At 9:23 A.M. the Board of County Commissioners recessed until 9:31 A.M. with the meeting being called back to order in the office of the County Commission.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Geiger adjourned the meeting at 9:35 A.M.

DATED THIS 27TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2018.

Attest: _____
Peggy Franken, County Clerk

Thad G. Geiger, Chairman