

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, NOVEMBER 8, 2021**

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the office of the Doniphan County Commission, Troy, Kansas, at 8:43 A.M. with Second District County Commissioner Wayne Grable, Chairman, calling the meeting to order. First District County Commissioner Timothy D. Collins, Third District County Commissioner Bobby Hall, County Attorney Charles D. Baskins and County Clerk Peggy Franken present.

The Kansas Chief Reporter Melanie Davis, Stacey Halling Hallsworth, CB Lackey and Brett Miner observed the entire meeting. Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris, Register of Deeds Susan Shuster, Sheriff Chad Clary and Aging Administrator Diana Crouse-Johnson were present for a portion of the meeting.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve County Commission meeting agenda as presented. Commissioner Hall seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve County Commission meeting minutes of November 1, 2021 as written. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve personal property changes to the 2021 Doniphan County tax roll in the amount of -\$1,331.53. Commissioner Hall seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

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

County Clerk Peggy Franken presented the County Commission with October 2021 departmental budget and cash summary report for their review.

Commissioner Grable made a motion to approve purchase of stand-alone EVS 6.1.1.0 Election Reporting Standard hardware and software system from Election Systems & Software, LLC at a cost of \$4,022.00, based on recommendation of County Clerk/County Election Officer Peggy Franken. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Collins thanked Brett Miner for his military service to our Country, also thanking Mr. Miner and Stacey Halling Hallsworth for filing as candidates to serve in public office.

County Clerk Peggy Franken presented the County Commission with a draft copy of Fitch & Associates, LLC consultant's report of findings for Emergency Medical Services Assessment for Doniphan County, Kansas. A Committee set up to study Doniphan County ambulance services and 911 response will meet with the Board of County Commissioners on Monday, November 15, 2021 at 9:30 A.M. to discuss the findings of the consultant's report.

Sheriff Chad Clary was present upon request of Commissioner Collins. Commissioner Collins asked Sheriff Clary about a report of recent theft of tools south of Wathena, Kansas and if a Sheriff's report has been filed. Sheriff Clary said his Department took a report of theft and an ongoing investigation ensues.

The Board of County Commissioners will hold a joint meeting with Highland Community College Board of Trustees on January 26, 2022 at 5:30 P.M.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris gave the Board of County Commissioners updated Road Improvement fund balances as of October 29, 2021.

Norris also presented the County Commission estimated costs from Herzog Contracting Corporation, Inc. to rock shoulders along hard surfaced roadways, stating the application would be 4 ton of rock per station, or every 100 feet.

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| District 1: | 240 th Road west of Highland, Kansas 3.5 miles | \$62,076.00 |
| | 240 th Road east of Highland, Kansas .05 miles east to Sparks, Kansas | \$8,862.00 |
| District 2: | Last Chance Road, South of Troy, Kansas | \$63,882.00 |
| | 180 th Road from Last Chance Road to Kansas Highway 7 2.4 miles | \$42,588.00 |
| District 3: | 165 th Road west of Elwood, Kansas | \$21,294.00 |

The Board of County Commissioners asked Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris to set up a meeting between the County Board and Representatives of Herzog Contracting Corporation, Inc. to discuss in more detail.

Commissioner Grable made a motion to purchase a 299 skid steer with grapple bucket from Foley Equipment in the amount of \$67,171.00, after 100% of rental payments deducted from purchase price, with payment to be made from Equipment Reserve Fund. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Grable asked for discussion regarding Payment in Lieu of Tax (PILOT) and Road Use Agreements between Doniphan County, Kansas and Grain Belt Express Invenergy, developer of a high power transmission line to run 21.8 miles west to southeast through Doniphan County, Kansas. County Attorney Charles Baskins will contact the Kansas Corporation Commission and review both PILOT and Road Use Agreements for future discussion prior to meeting with Representatives of Grain Belt Express Invenergy. County Clerk Peggy Franken will also contact Kansas Counties along the transmission line route to determine action taken on PILOT and Road Use Agreements.

Register of Deeds Susan Shuster asked the County Commission about having a Doniphan County Employee Christmas Dinner on December 2, 2021 at a personal cost of approximately \$350.00 per Commissioner, with First Baptist Church of Troy to host. The Board of County Commissioners were in agreement to having an employee Christmas Dinner for employees of Doniphan County, Kansas with the County Commissioners to personally pay for the dinner.

Aging Administrator Diana Crouse-Johnson informed the Board of County Commissioners air bag sensor on the 2017 Dodge Grand Caravan needs to be fixed, with Reed Chevrolet-Dodge to complete the repair work. The cost of repair is not yet known, but could exceed spending authority of \$500.00. Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve repair of air bag sensor on 2017 Dodge Grand Caravan. Commissioner Hall seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Collins told the County Board residents on Elgin Road, south of Bendena, Kansas, will be at the November 22, 2021 meeting to discuss repairs to two box culverts on the roadway.

Commissioner Hall said he has been studying the Doniphan County employee pay scale compared to that of Brown County. Commissioner Grable said the Board is set to discuss employee pay in December 2021.

There being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Grable made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:33 A.M. Commissioner Hall seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

DATED THIS 8TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2021.

Attest: _____
Peggy Franken, County Clerk

Wayne Grable, Chairman