

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES**  
**DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, JANUARY 18, 2022**

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 Wayne Grable Chairman, calling the meeting to order. First District County Commissioner Timothy D. Collins, Third District County Commissioner Bobby Hall and County Clerk Peggy Franken present. County Attorney Charles D. Baskins present for a portion of the meeting.

The Kansas Chief Reporter Melanie Davis observed the entire meeting. Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris and ADA/Emergency Management Coordinator Julie Meng were present for a portion of the meeting.

Commissioner Grable made a motion to approve County Commission meeting agenda as amended to include executive session with legal counsel and purchase of hot water pressure washer for First Road District. Commissioner Hall seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve County Commission meeting minutes of 2022 Reorganization and January 10, 2022 regular meeting as written. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve abated taxes in the amount of \$1,181.22 to the 2021 Doniphan County tax roll. Commissioner Hall seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

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

The Board of County Commissioners will meet with Highland Community College Board of Trustees on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 5:45 P.M. in the Stadium Center Barber Room located at Highland Community College, Highland, Kansas.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris told the County Commission she reached out to Herzog Contracting Corporation, Inc. regarding asphalt millings from Kansas Department of Transportation highway projects. Herzog Contracting Corporation, Inc. has plans to use the millings, however will work with the County on a price per ton should the County wish to purchase.

Norris presented the Commission with cost of replacement tube for their consideration on Saratoga Road in Section 18 Township 3 Range 22E. 10-gauge 10'x100' plus four bands \$41,580.00 or 12-gauge 10'x 100' plus four bands \$33,455.00. Commissioner Hall will explore options for repairing prior to taking action on replacing.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris reached out to Kerry Bramhall with the Kansas Department of Transportation to determine ownership of 158<sup>th</sup> Road, also known as Frontage Road, south of US Highway 36. Mr. Bramhall informed Norris 158<sup>th</sup> Road is located entirely within the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) right-of-way and maintenance responsibility falls on KDOT.

The Board held discussion on a road plan for the Road Department. Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris presented the Commission a list of discussed projects to be included:

- Hard surfaced roads by use of asphalt
- Bridge repair/replacement
- Gravel road rebuild
- Shoulder rock on hard surfaced roads
- Bank stabilization projects

(Road plan continued) Allocation of funds for projects from the Road and Bridge budget are proposed at \$150,000.00 per year per Commission District. Funds to be approved on an annual basis up to a period of 5-years, subject to project approval by majority vote of the Board of County Commission in a regular public meeting. 2022 projects already designated include replacement of Bridge T-43-1 located on 140<sup>th</sup> Road in First Road District \$209,804.00, Bridge RS 160 located on 180<sup>th</sup> Road in First Road District \$166,423.24 and proposal to asphalt Elgin Road in First Road District \$187,170.00.

Possible projects for consideration in road plan:

- 175<sup>th</sup> Road asphalt overlay from Wathena City limits west to Peck Road in Second and Third Road Districts.
- Coronado Road culvert repair First Road District \$82,000.00
- 150<sup>th</sup> Road gravel road rebuild 5.5 miles Second and Third Road Districts

Road Office Manager Norris will reach out to chip seal contractors Approved Paving LLC and Vance Brothers to determine cost per mile to contract chip seal projects. The Board of County Commissioners took no action on adoption of road plan pending review and consideration.

Commissioner Collins asked for bank stabilization on 325<sup>th</sup> Road north of White Cloud, Kansas, included on tribal ground of Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska, be added to the road plan; stating the project calls for rip rap at an approximate cost of \$50,000.00. Commissioner Grable said all projects will need to be evaluated countywide and completed based on priority, not necessarily all in one road district.

Rock price list for 2022 was presented to the County Commission on behalf of Hamm Quarry and Gary Servaes Enterprises (Servaes Quarry).

Commissioner Hall asked Road Officer Manager Lindsay Norris to check signage on Treece Road, south of Wathena, Kansas, to determine if road signs can be consolidated and mounted on fewer posts.

ADA Coordinator Julie Meng met with the County Commission to discuss ADA accessible lift located at the Doniphan County Courthouse. The lift installed in September 2021 by Access Elevator & Lifts, Inc. at a cost of \$18,250.00 has not worked properly since installation. County Attorney Charles Baskins asked Coordinator Meng to provide him with the warranty period, number of days the lift has been out of operation and the number of service calls made since installation. County Attorney Baskins will reach out to Access Elevator & Lifts, Inc. requesting they repair, replace or remove the lift and refund the cost back to Doniphan County. The County Commission asked ADA Coordinator Meng to contact contractors to determine specifications and cost of installing an ADA compliant ramp for independent access into the courthouse building.

Julie Meng, Emergency Management Coordinator, informed the County Commission FEMA has updated the Flood Plain Maps. FEMA will be publishing a public hearing notice in The Kansas Chief prior to final adoption.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to authorize First Road District to obtain cost estimates for the purchase of hot water pressure washer for the District. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

At 9:18 A.M. Commissioner Grable made a motion to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing confidential data relative to negotiations with legal counsel, with the meeting to be called back to order in the office of the Doniphan County Commission at 9:28 A.M. Commissioner Hall seconded. Motion carried 3-0. County Attorney and County Clerk remained.

At 9:28 A.M. Commissioner Grable made a motion to extend executive session for the purpose of continuing discussion of confidential data relative to negotiations with legal counsel, with the meeting to be called back to order in the office of the Doniphan County Commission at 9:38 A.M. Commissioner Hall seconded. Motion carried 3-0. County Attorney and County Clerk remained.

There being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Grable made a motion to adjourn at 9:44 A.M. Commissioner Collins seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

DATED THIS 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2022.

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

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Wayne Grable, Chairman