

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, JUNE 17, 2024

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 was present for a portion of the meeting.

The Kansas Chief Reporter Melanie Davis, Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris, and Kanza Mental Health and Guidance Center CEO Jackie Feathers were present for a portion of the meeting.

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

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve minutes of June 10, 2024, regular meeting as written. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

The Jerry K. Dubach Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center currently houses 10 local inmates.

County Clerk Peggy Franken extended an invitation to the County Commission for the Chamber of Commerce annual business appreciation breakfast to be held Thursday, June 20, 2024, at 7:30 A.M. at Highland Community College Wellness Center.

Doniphan County and Professional Insurance Consultants (PIC) will host a lunch and learn on Thursday, June 27, 2024, for county employees between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M. It was the consensus of the Board employees not attending will follow their normal work schedule and regular lunch period. It may be necessary to close some departments during the training if all employees are in attendance.

County Clerk Peggy Franken presented the County Board a draft of the 2025 Doniphan County Ambulance District No. 1 budget for review. No action was taken.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris gave the County Commission and road foremen an updated list of roads with dust control application for their records.

Road Improvement Fund, rock stockpile, Road Department expenses, bridge plank, tire and tube inventories for the period ending May 31, 2024, were presented to the County Commission for their review by Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris.

Road Office Manager Norris told the County Commissioners the updated monthly rental rate for mid-size mini excavator from Equipment Share is \$2,549.54.

Commissioner Collins told the County Commission he is receiving complaints the newly laid asphalt on 240th Road, east of Highland City limits, is separating and cracking. Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris said she contacted Herzog Representative Bryan Jones who said he will drive both 240th Road and Treece Road and address any concerns with the condition of the pavement.

Commissioner Grable asked for County Commission consideration in using local quarries for the purchase of rock if it meets State grading requirements, versus paying additional hauling costs purchasing from out of county quarries. Commissioner Hall said he would be in favor of purchasing locally if the quarry agreed to State grade inspections.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris announced First District Road Foreman Jason Wilson's last day with Doniphan County was Friday, June 14, 2024. Assistant Foreman Tom Miller will fill in during the absence of a Road Foreman.

Jackie Feathers, CEO of Kanza Mental Health and Guidance Center, was present to discuss Kanza's 2025 budget request with the County Commission. For budget years 2023 and 2024, Doniphan County budgeted \$30,000 for Kanza Mental Health and Guidance Center and \$14,200.00 as a pass through from Kanza Mental Health to the Crises Bed Center in Leavenworth, Kansas. Ms. Feathers told the County Commission, Doniphan County had two individuals utilize the Crises Bed Center in 2023. She recommended and asked the additional \$14,200.00 allocated for crises bed mental health services be allocated to Kanza Mental Health and Guidance Center to be used locally in Doniphan County for case management and hiring of a full time Counselor. Thus, allocating a total of \$44,200.00 to Kanza Mental Health and Guidance Center for budget year 2025. Commissioner Collins made a motion to re-allocate \$14,200.00 from Crises Bed Center to Kanza Mental Health and Guidance Center for 2025 budget year. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Bids were presented for handrail and step replacement on the exterior courthouse building, received from Bob Rahe Construction, Diamond Fab and Lee Grover Construction. No action was taken pending review.

At 10:35 A.M. Commissioner Grable made a motion to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing confidential legal matters regarding roads with counsel, meeting to be called back to order in the office of the Doniphan County Commission at 10:45 A.M. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. County Attorney, County Clerk and Road Office Manager remained.

There being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Hall made a motion to adjourn at 10:47 A.M. Commissioner Collins seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

DATED THIS 17TH DAY OF JUNE 2024.

Attest: _____

Peggy Franken, County Clerk

Wayne Grable, Chairman