Wabaunsee County Commission Wabaunsee County Courthouse, Alma, KS Regular Meeting Minutes December 4, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners meeting in session Monday, December 4, 2023. Commissioners conduct the meeting in person and over ZOOM. Members attending were Nancy L. Hier, Rodney Allen and Jim MacGregor. Commissioner Hier called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Road & Bridge Supervisor Josh Hinch, Assistant Supervisor Jared Falk, Sheriff Rob Hoskins, Richard Orton, Richard Thompson, Zoning Administrator Noel Sylvester, County Attorney Tim Liesmann and County Clerk Abby Amick were in attendance in person, others joined via zoom.

Road & Bridge Update

Road & Bridge Supervisor Josh Hinch reported that he will be attending the Kansas Association of Counties Conference in Wichita later this week as well as the Field Check meetings for Fairfield Road Bridge 13 and the Mission Valley Road project. Hinch reported that he has inspected the concrete building at the tower site and he will be able to remove it with Road & Bridge equipment. Commissioners signed the lease termination agreement with Ronnaus. Hinch reported that the underground tank removal would happen this week.

Broadband Update

Commissioner MacGregor reported that the Kansas Department of Commerce announced the LINC Broadband Grant recipients last week, WTC has received funding for an area covering 155 addresses near Maple Hill in Wabaunsee County and will be coordinating multiple projects for installation in phases around the county adding several hundred more addresses to the WTC Broadband network in Wabaunsee County.

Conditional Use Permit Hearing

At 9:30 AM Commissioner Hier called the Conditional Use Permit Hearing to order. Zoning Administrator Noel Sylvester presented CUP #293, #301, #300 and #299.

Commissioner Allen moved to adopt Resolution 2023-48 a Resolution for a conditional use permit filed by Richard & Cathie Thompson to reclaim property at 00000 Echo Cliff Rd; Commissioner MacGregor seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Allen moved to adopt Resolution 2023-49 a Resolution for the renewal of a conditional use permit filed by Keith Scott & Co agent for Norma Jean Vilander establishing a limestone ledge surface quarry at 22287 NE Highway K4, Eskridge; Commissioner MacGregor seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Allen moved to adopt Resolution 2023-50 a Resolution for the renewal of a conditional use permit filed by Keith Scott & Co agent for BHS Properties, LLC for reclaiming property at Massasoit Rd and Mission Valley Rd., Eskridge; Commissioner MacGregor seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Allen moved to adopt Resolution 2023-51 a Resolution for the renewal of a conditional use permit filed by Keith Scott & Co agent for BHS Properties, LLC for reclaiming property at Military Trail Rd, Eskridge; Commissioner MacGregor seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

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Other Business

Commissioner Allen moved to approve the minutes of the November 27th Commission Meeting; Commissioner Hier seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Hier reviewed and signed the Daily Statements for November 22, 27, 28, 29 & 30, 2023. Commissioners reviewed and signed wage change forms and Tax Abatements 17-26 for Tax Year 2023 totaling \$1,235.18; and Added Taxes 14 & 15 for Tax Year 2023 totaling \$1,498.84.

At 9:57 AM Commissioner MacGregor moved to adjourn until Monday, December 11th at 9:00 AM; Commissioner Allen seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Minutes approved this 11th day of December 2023.

Nancy Hier, Chairman

Rodney Allen, Vice Chairman

James W. MacGregor, Commissioner

Attest:

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Wabaunsee County Clerk