Wabaunsee County Commission Wabaunsee County Courthouse, Alma, KS Regular Meeting Minutes August 3, 2020

The Board of County Commissioners meeting in session Monday August 3, 2020. In compliance with the CDC guidelines to maintain social distancing Commissioners conduct and record the meeting over ZOOM. Members attending were Rodney L. Allen, Joel S. Fager and Jim Suber. Chairman Fager called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

County Attorney Tim Liesmann, County Clerk Jennifer Savage, County Health Administrator Ray Finley, and SPARK Independent Contractor Jim MacGregor were in attendance.

SPARK Update

Jim MacGregor said he has been contracted by the SPARK committee to manage those funds. MacGregor said he is a Retired Army Colonel and he and his family are building a home in the western part of the county. MacGregor said he has volunteered in the Emergency Operations Center the last few months. He has worked in logistics in the Army and managed funds and volunteered to give back to the community. MacGregor said Wabaunsee County was awarded \$1,460,915 from state cares act money that has been distributed to the counties, Wabaunsee County currently has their funds in an account. County Objective are Making Institutions Whole, Protecting the Health of Kansans, ensuring business & nonprofits reopen safely and building resilient communities. MacGregor said funds are to be used for public health emergency expenses. MacGregor said this has been advertised in the newspaper, social media and many businesses have been contacted by phone, email, and texts. The initial deadline for applications is July 31st but may be extended. Currently he has received applications from 4 of the 7 cities and approximately 35 from businesses and non-profits. Plans are for funds to be allocated that make the biggest impact for the county an example would be broadband. MacGregor said a public comment session is scheduled for Wednesday night. Commissioner Allen thank MacGregor for taking on the task.

Commissioner Fager made a motion to approve and agreement for compensation to handle SPARK funds with Independent Contractor Jim MacGregor. Commissioner Allen seconded; motion passed 3-0.

COVID UPDATE

Health Administrator Ray Finley said the county is currently at 42 cases, 39 recovery and 3 actives; last one is in the hospital at this time.

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Other business

Sheriff Rob Hoskins introduced the new School Resource Officers Angie King and Taylor Schuldt. They have passed a weeklong training in Hutchinson and will do some additional training in November.

Commissioner Fager made a motion to approve a Municipal Bond Agreement with Raymond James & Associates (Greg Vahrenberg) for the Water Incursion Building Project for a flat fee of \$20,000. Commissioner Allen seconded; motion passed 3-0.

Conditional Use Permits

Zoning Administrator David Breiner met with the Commission concerning Conditional Use Permits. Commissioner Allen made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-17, a resolution For Richard & Charlene Morton to establish a short-term vacation rental at 81 Lakeview Circle (Lake Wabaunsee). Commissioner Fager seconded, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Fager made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-18, a resolution requested by Curtis Capoun agent for David Glotzbach for establishing a ledge rock quarry Rock Quarry David Glotzbach and Curtis Capoun north of Paxico on Cloudhunter Road, N1/2 Sec 14, Twp. 11, R11E, haul route by way of Paxico Road to I-70. Commissioner Suber seconded, motion passed 3-0.

Higgins Quarry Permit is up for renewal, issues were discussed concerning the haul route and the fact they are using a haul route that was not approved in the original conditional use permit. County Attorney Liesmann said he took away from the planning commission that this should not be approved until the planning commission approves a haul route. Higgins Quarry Conditional Use Permit was tabled.

2019 Audit

April Swartz, Varney & Associates, presented the 2019 Audit, Swartz said they did most of audit remotely due to covid. A letter was provided stating the county financials are in order.

2021 Budget Preparation

Randy Gassman met with the Commission for continued 2021 budget preparation.

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At 11:00 a.m. Commissioner Fager moved to adjourn until Monday August 10th at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Allen seconded; motion passed 3-0.

Minutes approved this _____ day of August 2020.

Joel Fager, Chairman

Rodney L. Allen, Vice-Chairman

Jim Suber, Member

Attest:

Jennifer A. Savage Wabaunsee County Clerk