

**Wabaunsee County Commission
Wabaunsee County Courthouse, Alma, KS
Regular Meeting Minutes August 31, 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 was in attendance

COVID Update

County Health Administrator Ray Finley said the county numbers are at 55 with 45 recovered and 10 actives with 3 hospitalizations. They are ready to begin Flu vaccinations and have completed ZULU training (registration system that controls inventory and patient information). They have the high dose vaccine this year and are requesting that appointments be made to allow for social distancing purposes. They plan to go live with the new system September 8th with the county citizens. All insurances will be accepted and there will be no cost to county employees.

Road & Bridge

Road and Bridge Supervisor Thayne Bush discussed engineering services for Bridge NO. 11 located on Eagles Nest Road. Cook, Flatt & Strobel Engineers proposed \$9,600 for part time inspection services or \$38,000 for full time inspection services. Commissioner Suber made a motion to approve the agreement for part time services in the amount of \$9,600. Commissioner Allen seconded; motion passed 3-0.

Bush said Harshman Quarry has changed their procedure for crushing rock and their new product should last better and have less dust and mud tracking.

County Attorney Tim Liesmann provided a resolution concerning Keene-Eskridge Rd addressing the gross vehicle weight rating to allow that to be the basis for enforcement. Commissioner Fager made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-20, as follows:

A RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO K.S.A.8-1912(C) RESTRICTING THE USAGE OF KEENE-ESKRIDGE ROAD BY COMMERCIAL VEHICLES HAVING A GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING (GVWR) IN EXCESS OF 33,000; REPEAL OF RESOLUTION 1986-08

WHEREAS the county seeks to limit the weight of commercial vehicles traveling on certain road and K.S.A. 8-1912(c) provided authority to do so.

THEREFORE, be it resolved pursuant to K.S.A. 8-1912©, that all commercial vehicles having a gross vehicle weight rating in excess of 33,000 pounds shall be and hereby prohibited from operating on the six and on half mile portion of Keene-Eskridge Road maintained by Wabaunsee County stretching from Highway K4 to Interstate 70, subject to any appropriate criminal and civil liability pursuant to Kansas Statute including up to a \$500 fine as indicated in K.S.A. 8-1901(b). The County Road and Bridge Department is hereby authorized to, and shall, place appropriate signage restricting

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the road usage. Resolution 1986-08 is hereby repealed. Approved for request this 31st day of August 2020.

Commissioner Allen seconded; motion passed 3-0.

Bush said he received 8 good letters from citizens so far supporting the Wells Creek Road Project.

Fire District No. 6 2021 Budget

At 10:00 a.m. the 2021 Budget hearing was held for Fire District No. 6. No public present. Commissioner Allen moved to adopt the 2021 Fire District No. 6 budget. Commissioner Suber seconded, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioners will not meet September 7th due to the Labor Day Holiday.

At 10:30 a.m. Commissioner Allen moved to adjourn until 9 a.m. Monday September 14th. Commissioner Fager seconded, motion passed 3-0.

Minutes approved this _____ day of September 2020.

Joel Fager, Chairman

Rodney L. Allen, Vice-Chairman

Jim Suber, Member

Attest:

Jennifer A. Savage
Wabaunsee County Clerk