

# Wabaunsee County Commission Wabaunsee County Courthouse, Alma, KS Regular Meeting Minutes February 10, 2020 ---

The Board of Wabaunsee County Commission in regular session Monday February 10, 2020. Members present were Joel Fager, Jim Suber and Rodney Allen. Chairman Fager called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

County Attorney Tim Liesmann, Road & Bridge Supervisor Thayne Bush, Zoning Administrator David Breiner, County Appraiser Ryan Michaelis, Health Department Director Ray Finely, Health Department Nurse Barbara Moses, Emergency Management Director Amy Terrapin, and Deputy County Clerk Kristy Haden were in attendance.

## **Health**

Health Department Director Ray Finely and Nurse Barbara Moses presented information from Kansas Department of Health and Environment on Coronavirus 2019. Finely also advised they have met with Emergency Management, Sheriff Department and EMS regarding the virus and how it affects the County. Finely stated the Virus is passed from animal to person, and the number of cases have doubled since last Monday in China. There are only 12 confirmed cases in the United States.

## **Zoning**

Zoning Administrator David Breiner presented the Commissioners with Conditional use permit for Quarry Operation for Curtis Capoun and Dwight Tolbert at 31425 Hendricks Creek Rd, Alma affecting approximately 25-30 acres. Commissioner Suber moved to approve Resolution 2020-04, Commissioner Allen seconded, passed 3-0.

## **Capital Update**

Commissioner Fager and County Clerk Jennifer Savage attended the Capital on Friday in reference to Senate Bill 294 Truth and Taxation. Fager updated the Commissioners on what was discussed and what could happen and how much extra work could occur if the bill passed. County Appraiser Ryan Michaelis updated how this bill could affect the Appraisers office.

## **We the Deaf People**

Jeannie Adkins, Director of We the Deaf People presented Commissioner with information regarding communication between Deaf people and Law Enforcement, also present were Bill and Kathleen Meinhardt, Sheriff Rob Hoskins and Undersheriff Brett Wilson. Adkins advised that Bill Meinhardt is the Assistant Director in Kansas for the Organization, and is also a Wabaunsee County resident. Adkins presented Commissioners with Yellow Shield Placards for each Law Enforcement Officer to help them Communicate with a Deaf person during a traffic stop, she advised that the Deaf person will have a Yellow Envelope with similar information on it, and they will place all necessary documents inside the envelope for the Officer. Kathleen Meinhardt advised that she would like to see additional training with the officers to teach some sign language to give the Officers more confidence while

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working with Deaf people, and present this information to Fire Departments, EMS and all forms of First Responders.

**Other**

Commissioner Allen moved to Approve Resolution No 2020-05 or GAAP Accounting Procedures according to KSA 75-1120 (a)(1), Commissioner Fager seconded, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Fager moved to Reappoint Pam Bales to Position 3 (Alma) Pottawatomie Wabaunsee Regional Library board of Trustees, Commissioner Suber seconded, motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Allen left the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

Approved Minutes for January 29 and February 3, 2020.

Approved Daily Statements for January 31, February 3-6, 2020.

**Road & Bridge**

Road & Bridge Supervisor Thayne Bush advised they did receive Federal ER funding for the Skyline and K-99 Creek Bank erosion, there will be a 12-18 month letting process. Bush also advised that the move is almost complete and that all records are available on CD/USB drive. Bush also stated he is planning to replace his wood chipper for one that is safer and with auto feed, he has looked and one, and another company will be bringing one shortly to look at.

At 10:30 a.m. Commissioner Fager moved to adjourn until 9:00 a.m. Monday February 24, 2020. Commissioner Fager seconded, motion passed 2-0.

Minutes approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of February 2020.

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Joel Fager, Chairman

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Rodney L. Allen, Vice-Chairman

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Jim Suber, Member

Attest:

Jennifer A. Savage  
Wabaunsee County Clerk