

Wabaunsee County Commission

Wabaunsee County Courthouse, Alma, KS

Regular Meeting Minutes July 6, 2020

The Board of County Commissioners meeting in session Monday July 6, 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, Zoning Administrator David Breiner, Emergency Manager Amy Terrapin and Signal Enterprise reporter Kaytlyn Meseke were in attendance.

Conditional Use Permits

Zoning Administrator David Breiner discussed conditional use permits approved by the Planning Commission. Commissioner Fager made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-11, a resolution for quarry operation requested by Alex Gnadt, through Royce & Carol TenEyck agents, property located on Fairfield Road; and adopt Resolution 2020-12, a resolution for quarry operation requested by Alex Gnadt, through Feyh Farm Properties agent, property located on Fairfield Road. Commissioner Allen seconded; motion passed 3-0.

Thane Brethour provided a drawing of the site layout of the Plaza on the Flint Hills to be located at the K99 Hwy I70 junction. Brethour explained this would be a 12,000 square foot building with a fast food chain restaurant and a dessert company, it would have showers for truck drivers and have 8 fuel pumps. Plans are for the grand opening on March 1, 2021. Brethour said some of the neighbors have had concerns with trash and he has visited with them. Brethour said many traffic studies have been done and traffic is up about 23% on K99 Hwy. After discussion Commissioner Fager made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-13, a resolution for Thane Brethour to establish a travel plaza near K99 and I70. Commissioner Allen seconded; motion passed 3-0.

SPARKS – CARES Act

Commissioner Fager made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-14 County Coronavirus Relief Fund, a resolution granting authority to the Board of County Commissioners in dealing with the pandemic know as COVID-19, to begin proactively providing communities with in Wabaunsee County the resources they need to both mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and invest in long-term economic recovery, Wabaunsee County's distribution is \$1,460,915. Commissioner Allen seconded; motion passed 3-0.

Road & Bridge

Road & Bridge Supervisor Thayne Bush provided an invoice from Custom Truck & Equipment Kansas City, KS for a 2019 Peterbilt which will be ready to pick up this week, this was the truck he was approved to negotiate for last week. Commissioner Allen made a motion to purchase the 2019 Peterbilt truck for \$131,414.83 from Custom Truck & Equipment. Commissioner Suber seconded, motion passed 3-0.

Bush discussed an issue on Wells Creek Road of a homeowner bringing in millings to reduce dust control.

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Commissioner Allen made a motion to approve a request and petition from Telcom Construction for CenturyLink to lay a telecommunication line at 102 Prairie View Dr. Commissioner Suber seconded, motion passed 3-0.

2021 Budget Prep

Randy Gassman met with the Commissioners to discuss the 2021 Budget. Sheriff Rob Hoskins, Undersheriff Brett Wilson and Admin Secretary Barbara Phillips presented a 4-year spreadsheet for the School Resource Officer grant. They requested two options for reserve funds to fund the 4th year. Three years at \$20,185 or Four years at \$15,139.00. Commissioner Fager was in favor of budgeting \$15,139 for four years.

Emergency Manager Amy Terrapin discussed with Gassman working with the county to administer the CARES Act funds. Gassman said his firm is interested and he will attend the next SPARKS meeting by Zoom.

Other Business

Treasure Daily Statements for June 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25 & 26 were viewed and signed by the Chairman. June vouchers were approved.

The minutes of June 15 and June 22 were tabled until the July 13th meeting.

At 10:50 a.m. Commissioner Allen made a motion to adjourn until 9 a.m. Monday July 13th. Commissioner Fager seconded, motion passed 3-0.

Minutes approved this _____ day of July 2020.

Joel Fager, Chairman

Rodney L. Allen, Vice-Chairman

Jim Suber, Member

Attest:

Jennifer A. Savage
Wabaunsee County Clerk