

Wabaunsee County Commission
Wabaunsee County Courthouse, Alma, KS
Regular Meeting Minutes November 16, 2020

At 8:00 a.m. on Monday November 16, 2020 Commissioner Joel Fager opened the Canvass of the November 3, 2020 General Election. Members attending were Commissioner Rodney L. Allen, Commissioner Joel S. Fager, Commissioner Jim Suber, County Clerk Jennifer Savage and Abby Amick. The Canvass closed at 9:30 a.m.

The Board of County Commissioners meeting in session Monday November 16, 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 9:31 a.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

County Attorney Tim Liesmann, Sheriff Deputy Sam Hamilton and County Clerk elect Abby Amick were in attendance in person.

Covid Update

County Health Administrator Ray Finley reported Wabaunsee County is at 102 Active Covid Cases, with 53 active cases, 5 hospitalizations, 4 of those with pneumonia, 1 septic. One facility accounts for 59 cases (including family members). Both High Schools are currently remote due to the number of cases and quarantines in students and staff.

Emergency Management Update

Emergency Management Coordinator Amy Terrapin reported on the Community Partners Meeting. Those in attendance were representing Churches, Nursing Facilities, Schools, County Offices and everyone asked for more community leaders to set an example of wearing masks.

Commissioner Fager asked how the Health Department was handling contact tracing. Health Administrator Ray Finley stated that two staff are currently devoting 100% of their time to contact tracing.

Utility Agreement

Road & Bridge Supervisor Thayne Bush presented an agreement from Wamego Tel, Co to lay a Fiber Optic Cable placed inside PVC along Fairfield Rd and Red Fox Rd.

Commissioner Allen moved to approve the utility agreement with Wamego Tel Co. Commissioner Suber seconded; motion passed 3-0.

Economic Development Update

Commissioner Fager reminded everyone that applications are due by November 30th.

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North Central-Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging

Commissioner Fager moved to appoint Geri Moore to her second term representing Wabaunsee County with the North Central-Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging, Inc. Commissioner Suber seconded, motion passed 3-0.

Covid Leave

County Attorney Tim Liesmann reviewed the current leave policy as it relates to Covid. Wabaunsee County follows the Federal minimum standard for Covid leave.

Zoning Update

Zoning Administrator David Breiner reported that a Conditional Use Permit Application has been received for a solar farm. The individual who is proposing a solar farm will be at the November 23rd Commissioner Meeting to share details and answer questions.

Treasurer Daily Statements for November 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9 and 10 were viewed and signed by Chairman.

At 10:42 a.m. Commissioner Allen moved to adjourn until Monday November 23rd at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Suber seconded; motion passed 3-0.

Minutes approved this _____ day of December 2020.

Joel Fager, Chairman

Rodney L. Allen, Vice-Chairman

Jim Suber, Member

Attest:

Jennifer A. Savage
Wabaunsee County Clerk