

Wabaunsee County Commission  
Wabaunsee County Courthouse, Alma, KS  
Regular Meeting Minutes September 14, 2020

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The Board of County Commissioners meeting in session Monday September 14, 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 and County Clerk Jennifer Savage were in attendance

**Planning & Zoning**

Zoning Administrator David Breiner discussed the Higgins/Sage Quarry off Keene-Eskridge Road. Commissioner Allen made a motion to deny the Conditional Use Permit requested by Higgins/Rob Sage for a quarry. Commissioner Fager seconded, motion passed 3-0.

Cooper Imthurn with Flint Hills Hardwoods said they do custom milling and hope to set up a retail shop in the future, their specialty is bigger logs. Breiner said there was no opposition at the planning commission meeting. Commissioner Fager made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-21, a resolution for a conditional use permit requested of Cooper Imthurn as agent for Rachel Imthurn for establishing a sawmill at 33578 Vera Rd, Maple Hill, Ks the NE1/4 Sec 20, Twp 11, Rng 12E. Commissioner Allen seconded; motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Fager asked David Breiner to produce a zoning map for the county. County Attorney Tim Liesmann said we currently have old city maps and the first step is to identify and recapture the lost map.

**Maple Hill Township**

Jerry Bays, Maple Hill Township Clerk said that the Commission had appointed Jim Foresman to fill the vacancy of Maple Hill Township Trustee and he is unable to accept the position. The board is recommending Bill Ledeboer to fill the position. Commissioner Suber moved to appoint Bill Ledeboer to fill the vacancy of Maple Hill Township Trustee to begin immediately. Commissioner Allen seconded; motion passed 3-0.

**Road & Bridge**

Thayne Bush Road & Bridge Supervisor provided a Request and Petition from Wamego Telephone Company to lay Vacant UDI-25 w/fiber optic cable placed inside by plowing,

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boring or rock saw where need along roads in Newbury Townsite. Bush has the original map for review by the public. The petition has been approved and signed by Newbury Township Board. Commissioner Fager made a motion to approve the petition. Commissioner Allen seconded; motion passed 3-0.

Commissioners signed contracts with Ebert Construction for Bridge No. 11.

Bush said the talked with Peter Clark at Pottawatomie County and they are supposed to get the report on Belvue Bridge from the consultants on Friday and did not. Bush said he will keep on top of the situation; he would like a plan to tell the residents and just not do anything.

Commissioner Suber made a motion to request an executive session for a period of 5 minutes to discuss Attorney Client Privilege due to possible litigation. Commissioner Fager seconded. Motion passed 3-0. Present for the session that began at 9:51 a.m. and ended at 9:56 a.m. were the Commissioners, County Attorney Tim Liesmann, County Clerk Jennifer Savage and Road & Bridge Supervisor Thayne Bush. No action taken following the session.

### **Other Business**

EMC Insurance Agent Trudy Anshutz presented the 2021 Renewal for Insurance.

Commissioners approved payroll for the period of 7/27/20 to 8/23/20.

Treasure Daily Statements for August 28 and August 31 were viewed and signed.

August vouchers were signed.

Commissioner Fager said they are going to post for the Economic Development position, and they will be a county employee.

### **COVID Update**

County Health Administrator Ray Finley said Wabaunsee County is currently at 66 cases (59 recovery, 7 actives with 2 in the hospital) Finley said he regrets to say that the county has suffered its first COVID related death.

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Finley said employees can come receive flu vaccinations and they are planning remote clinics.

**Sheriff**

Sheriff Hoskins requested an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel concerning compensation benefits for a period of 15 minutes. Commissioner Fager made a motion, Commissioner Suber seconded, motion passed 3-0. Present for the session that began at 10:45 am and ended at 11:00 am were the Commissioners, County Attorney Tim Liesmann, County Clerk Jennifer Savage, Annette Glotzbach, Sheriff Rob Hoskins, and Undersheriff Brett Wilson. No action taken following the session.

At 11:01 a.m. Commissioner Allen moved to adjourn until 9 a.m. Monday September 21st. Commissioner Fager seconded, motion passed 3-0.

Minutes approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September 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