

Wabaunsee County Commission
Wabaunsee County Courthouse, Alma, KS
Regular Meeting Minutes August 2, 2021

The Board of County Commissioners meeting in session Monday, August 2, 2021. In compliance with the CDC guidelines to maintain social distancing Commissioners conduct and record the meeting over ZOOM. Members attending were Nancy L. Hier and Rodney L. Allen. Commissioner Joel S. Fager was absent. Commissioner Hier called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. County Attorney Tim Liesmann and County Clerk Abby Amick were in attendance in person and others joined via zoom.

Health Department and Covid Update

Health Department Administrator Ray Finley joined in person. Finley reported on the Covid numbers for the County: 21 active case, 14 deaths and 2 in the hospital. Finley reported that the Health Department is currently tracking cases that attended the Fair, but do not appear to have gotten COVID at the Fair. Wabaunsee County is at 38% fully vaccinated according to KDHE.

Sheriff Department Update

Sherriff Rob Hoskins and Undersheriff Brett Wilson joined in person. The Sheriff Department has openings in communications, they are taking applications. They reported on a stolen vehicle chase and citizen assisted arrest over the weekend.

Emergency Management

Emergency Management Coordinator Amy Terrapin joined in person. Terrapin reported that every 5 years the county is required to update the Emergency Operations Plan. The plan was due for renewal in 2020, but was delayed due to covid. The plan describes how all entities that serve the county would react in the case of an emergency. The process is lengthy to get all entities involved to provide feedback. 5 years ago an independent contractor was hired to assist with completing the plan. The new requirements include mapping features that we do not currently have available in the county. Terrapin has requested bids from multiple contractors to assist with the plan and is recommending EM Fusion from Cowley County for a flat fee of \$5,000.

Commissioner Allen moved to approve hiring EM Fusion to update the EOP for \$5,000; Commissioner Hier seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Terrapin provided an update on the DR449KS (2019 Flood) Federal Disaster, stating that FEMA is working claims right now, townships should contact Terrapin immediately if they have not heard from FEMA recently.

Terrapin also reported that the Ambulance Advisory Committee is meeting with Shawnee County to discuss the possibility of a shared full-time Ambulance in Auburn or Harveyville.

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Planning and Zoning

Zoning Administrator Noel Sylvester joined in person. Commissioners asked Sylvester about enforcement of haul routes. The Sheriff Department joined the discussion. They will continue to monitor the situation.

Conditional Use Permit Hearing

10:00 AM Commissioner Hier called the Conditional Use Permit Hearing to order. Sylvester presented CUP No. 611; a renewal permit for operation of a quarry. Commissioner Hier called for public comment, none was provided.

Commissioner Hier moved to adopt Resolution 2021-34; a resolution for quarry operation, renewal of resolution 2018-16, submitted by Curtis Capoun agent for Ronald Arand and Carolyn Arand for the property located on Paxico Road, Paxico KS; utilizing the original haul route; Commissioner Allen seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Sylvester presented CUP Nos 612, 613, 614 and 615, all renewals for locations that are in the reclamation process. Sylvester reported that all of the sites are nearly complete with reclamation, however they are not considered closed until the State approves the completion of reclamation.

Commissioner Allen moved to adopt Resolution 2021-35; a resolution for quarry operation, renewal of Resolution 2018-18, submitted by Keith Scott agent for BHS Properties, LLC for the property located on Green Ash Road; and Resolution 2021-36; a resolution for quarry operation, renewal of Resolution 2007-08, submitted by Keith Scott agent for BHS Properties, LLC for the property located on Massasoit Road, and Resolution 2021-37; a resolution for quarry operation, renewal of Resolution 2015-10, submitted by Keith Scott agent for Tallgrass Limestone, LLC and Harold Brooks for the property located on Snokomo Road, and Resolution 2021-38; a resolution for quarry operation, renewal of Resolution 2005-20, submitted by Keith Scott agent for the Maginley Family for the property located on Vera Road; Commissioner Hier seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Sylvester presented CUP No 616, a renewal for an inactive quarry. The operator does not plan to start work at this location until the other reclamations are complete.

Commissioner Allen moved to adopt Resolution 2021-39; a resolution for quarry operation, renewal of Resolution 2019-09, submitted by Keith Scott agent for Norma Vilander for the property located at 22287 NE Highway K4, Eskridge KS, to be visited again in six-months regarding impact fees; Commissioner Hier seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

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Budget Preparation

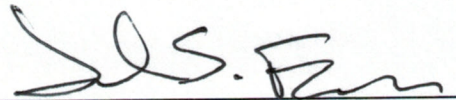
Accountant Randy Gassmann joined in person. Gassmann reviewed budgets for Sewer District #1 with no levy; Fire Districts No 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7; all remaining at the Revenue Neutral Rate. Hearings for the presented budgets will be on August 16th at 10:00 AM in the Commissioner Meeting Room.

Commissioner Hier moved to approve the minutes of the July 26th Commission Meeting, Commissioner Allen seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Commissioners reviewed and approved expenses for July 23 – July 29. Wage change forms were reviewed and signed. Commissioner Hier reviewed and signed daily statements for July 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28 and 29, 2021.

At 11:20 PM Commissioner Hier moved to adjourn until Monday, August 9th at 9:00 AM. Commissioner Allen seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

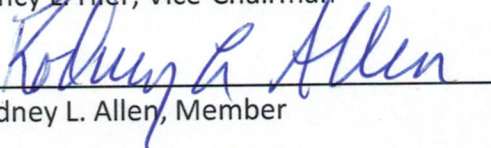
Minutes approved this 9th day of August 2021.



Joel S. Fager, Chairman

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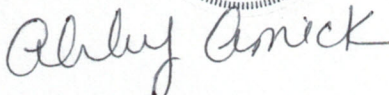
Nancy L. Hier, Vice-Chairman



Rodney L. Allen, Member



Attest:



Abby L. Amick
Wabaunsee County Clerk