

Wabaunsee County Commission

Wabaunsee County Courthouse, Alma, KS

Regular Meeting Minutes July 31, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners meeting in session Monday, July 31, 2023. Commissioners conduct the meeting in person and over ZOOM. Members attending were Nancy L. Hier, Rodney L. Allen and Jim MacGregor. Commissioner Hier called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Sheriff Rob Hoskins, Undersheriff Eric Kirsch, Road & Bridge Supervisor Josh Hinch, Extension Agent Shannon Spencer, Emergency Management Coordinator Amy Terrapin, Health Department Administrator Ray Finley, Richard Orton, County Clerk Abby Amick and County Attorney Tim Liesmann were in attendance in person, others joined via zoom.

Road & Bridge Update

Road & Bridge Supervisor Josh Hinch provided an update on current road and bridge projects around the county.

Extension Update

Extension Agent Shannon Spencer announced the Wabaunsee County Master Gardener Program will be kicking off with a volunteer training running September 7 – November 30 on Thursdays from 1-4 by zoom. The class will end with a celebration on December 14th. Master Gardener Applications are due by August 17th.

The Wabaunsee County Fair had positive feedback. Program Assistant Stephanie Maiké reported via zoom that there was an increase in foods, robots, rocketry and legos as well as beef and swine. The summer lunch program has been well received, and the Buzz on Third activities were well attended.

Upcoming programming opportunities include Grain Bin Safety day in October and the Tallest Grass Contest on October 14th.

Ambulance District #2

Emergency Management Coordinator Amy Terrapin and Health Department Administrator Ray Finley presented the proposed budget for Ambulance District #2 at 5 mills for 2024.

The Ambulance Committee has completed the remodel on the Alma Ambulance Barn, the facility now has separate living quarters for 2 staff to stay overnight. The 2024 Budget takes into consideration providing additional training for fire departments and volunteers to respond with more resources and capabilities to prepare for ambulance transport. There are already 6 volunteers on the list for the next EMR class to drive the Ambulance.

Terrapin reported that the Burn Permit working group will meet on August 2nd to discuss the current policy and develop recommendations.

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Other Business

Commissioners reviewed the draft budget.

Commissioner Allen moved to approve the minutes of the July 24th Commission Meeting; Commissioner MacGregor seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

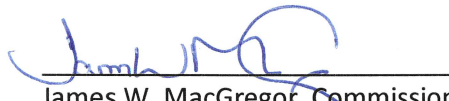
Commissioners reviewed and approved payroll for June 26 – July 23, 2023. Chairman Hier reviewed and signed the Daily Statements for July 21, 24, 25, 26 & 27, 2023. Commissioners reviewed and approved Abatement 2022-AB34 in the amount of \$1,848.22.

At 10:15 AM Commissioner MacGregor moved to adjourn until Monday, August 7th at 9:00 AM; Commissioner Allen seconded. Motion carried 3-0.


Minutes approved this 7th day of August 2023.


Nancy Hier, Chairman


Rodney Allen, Vice Chairman


James W. MacGregor, Commissioner

Attest:


Abby L. Amick
Wabaunsee County Clerk

