

# Wabaunsee County Commission

## Wabaunsee County Courthouse, Alma, KS

### Regular Meeting Minutes May 1, 2023

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The Board of County Commissioners meeting in session Monday, May 1, 2023. Commissioners conduct the meeting in person and over ZOOM. Members attending were Nancy L. Hier, Jim MacGregor and Rodney L. Allen. Commissioner Hier called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Zoning Administrator Noel Sylvester, Sheriff Rob Hoskins, Road & Bridge Supervisor Josh Hinch, Emergency Management Coordinator Amy Terrapin, County Clerk Abby Amick and County Attorney Tim Liesmann were in attendance in person, others joined via zoom.

#### **Road & Bridge**

Road & Bridge Supervisor Josh Hinch reported that Bergkamp will start work on Old K-10 Road on Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, there will be ongoing construction throughout the month of May on the first 5 miles of Old K-10 Road west of Alma. Bridge 45 on Boothill Road will be replaced mid-May, the County will close the road on May 15<sup>th</sup> to begin demolition of the existing deck. The contractor is scheduled to begin reconstruction on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioners asked about the potential for using Safety Grant opportunities for shoulder work on Keene Eskridge Road. Hinch will research the options and report back. Commissioners discussed a request to sell a strip of land to a neighboring property owner.

#### **Emergency Management**

Emergency Management Coordinator Amy Terrapin provided an update following a Regional Recovery Training and Tabletop Exercise geared at developing State and Local Disaster Recover Capabilities. Team members attending included the Clerk's Office, County Commission, Emergency Management, Road & Bridge, Extension and Economic Development. Terrapin also reported on the first Volunteer Firefighter Appreciation picnic, hosted in McFarland. The event was well attended and enjoyed by all.

#### **Other Business**

10:10 AM Commissioner Hier moved to enter executive session for 10 minutes to discuss wages of non-elected personnel with Appraiser Ryan Michaelis, County Clerk Abby Amick and County Attorney Tim Liesmann present; Commissioner Allen seconded. Motion carried.

10:20 AM Commissioners returned from executive session.

Appraiser Ryan Michaelis reported that he has completed 54 hearings resulting in 28 with no change of valuation and 1 going on to the State Board of Tax Appeals.

Sheriff Hoskins announced that May 19<sup>th</sup> will be the Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony at the State House in Topeka.

Commissioners reviewed proposed updates to the Wabaunsee County Personnel Policies and Guidelines.

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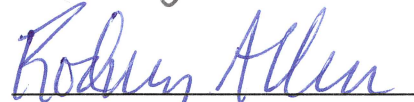
Commissioner MacGregor moved to approve the minutes of the April 24th Commission Meeting; Commissioner Hier seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

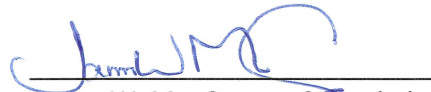
Commissioners reviewed and approved expenses for April 12 – 26, 2023. Chairman Hier reviewed and signed Daily Statements for April 21, 24, 25, 26 and 27, 2023.

At 10:54 AM Commissioner Hier moved to adjourn until Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM; Commissioner MacGregor seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Minutes approved this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023.

  
Nancy Hier, Chairman

  
Rodney Allen, Vice Chairman

  
James W. MacGregor, Commissioner

Attest:



Abby L. Amick  
Wabaunsee County Clerk

