

Wabaunsee County Commission
Wabaunsee County Courthouse, Alma, KS
Regular Meeting Minutes October 03, 2022

The Board of County Commissioners meeting in session Monday, October 03, 2022. Commissioners conduct the meeting in person and over ZOOM. Members attending were Nancy L. Hier, Rodney L. Allen and Joel S. Fager. Commissioner Hier called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Road & Bridge Supervisor Thayne Bush, Zoning Administrator Noel Sylvester, Undersheriff Brett Wilson, Detective Sergeant Eric Kirsch, Jeff Kueser, County Attorney Tim Liesmann and County Clerk Abby Amick were in attendance in person others joined via zoom.

Road & Bridge

Road & Bridge Supervisor Thayne Bush reported that a Purple Wave representative will be onsite to view items and generate a list to publish for the auction.

Commissioner Fager reported that he has received several reports of near-misses around the entrances to the new Travel Plaza on Hwy 99 and I-70. Bush has spoken with the local KDOT Engineer. KDOT shared the same concerns and is working on temporary solutions until the roadway is reworked in 2024. The Commissioners agreed that they would like to see additional signage throughout the area.

Sheriff Department

Sheriff Rob Hoskins invited the Commissioners to the Faith in Blue events being held Friday – Monday. Hoskins announced that Undersheriff Wilson will be leaving his position on Friday, October 14th. Wilson has served in far more capacities than just an Undersheriff, he brought a wealth of knowledge with him, and will be greatly missed. Sergeant Kirsch will become the new Undersheriff upon Wilson's departure.

Sheriff Hoskins reported that the communications company that the Sheriff Department uses for recording calls needs access to the trunk line that manages all courthouse phone lines. Commissioners agreed to grant access.

Sergeant Kirsch reported that he attended the Flint Hills Regional Leadership session hosted in Wabaunsee County on Friday, September 30th. Kirsch appreciates the contacts that he is making with leaders across the region, all of varying backgrounds and ages with new and different perspectives.

Conditional Use Permit Hearing

At 10:00 AM Commissioner Hier called the Conditional Use Permit Hearing to order. Zoning Administrator Noel Sylvester presented CUP Renewal #132 filed by Anthony & Judith Pleviak for establishing a rental property; the CUP Renewal passed the Planning Commission with no opposition.

Commissioner Allen moved to adopt Resolution 2022-30 a Resolution for renewal of a conditional use permit (renewal of Resolution 2020-23) filed by Anthony & Judith Pleviak for establishing a rental property at 440 E Flint Hills Dr Alma, KS; Commissioner Fager seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

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Sylvester presented CUP Renewal #129 filed by Kansas Prairie Stone, LLC agent for Kueser Properties, LLC for establishing a stone quarry; the CUP Renewal passed the Planning Commission 5-3 with a one year renewal, \$4,500 impact fee and expectations to reclaim open quarry sites.

Jeff Kueser addressed the Commission, he has recently taken over operations and is becoming familiar with the standards set by Wabaunsee County. Kueser intends to get the quarry in compliance.

Commissioner Allen moved to adopt Resolution 2022-31 a Resolution for renewal of a conditional use permit (renewal of Resolution 2020-28) filed by Kansas Prairie Stone, LLC agent for Kueser Properties, LLC for establishing a stone quarry at 00000 Echo Cliff Road and Mission Valley Road, Haveyville KS for 1 year; Commissioner Fager seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Other Business

Commissioner Fager moved to approve the minutes of the September 26th Commission Meeting; Commissioner Allen seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioners reviewed and approved expenses from September 22 – 28, 2022. Chairman Hier reviewed and signed Daily Statements for September 23, 26, 27, 28 & 29, 2022.

At 10:18 AM Commissioner Fager moved to adjourn until Monday, October 17th at 9:00 AM; Commissioner Allen seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Minutes approved this 17th day of October 2022.



Attest:

Abby L Amick

Abby L. Amick
Wabaunsee County Clerk

absent
Nancy L. Hier, Chairman

Rodney L Allen
Rodney L. Allen, Vice Chair

Joel S Fager
Joel S. Fager, Member