

FORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 6, 2020
MEETING NUMBER 2020-01
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
3:30 P.M.



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The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the Commission Chambers at the Ford County Government Center. Chairman Tasset called the meeting to order. Pastor Jay Morford for Oasis Church led the group in prayer. Chairman Tasset then led the group the pledge of allegiance.

Those present were:

Shawn Tasset, Chairman

J.D. Gilbert, County Administrator

Ken W. Snook, Commissioner

Debbie Cox, County Clerk

Chris Boys, Commissioner

Public Hearing-Wright Improvement District

Chairman Tasset opened the Public Hearing for the Wright Improvement District petition to extend the boundaries of the Wright Improvement District. Chairman Tasset asked anyone in favor of or opposed to the annexation to speak.

Tim Slattery from the Wright Improvement District explained that the reason for this expansion is the boundaries have not changed since 1974. This will expand the boundaries so that the people who are paying in the District can vote on board members.

Chairman Tasset moved the Ford County Board of Commissioners approve the territory described in the Petition to be annexed in and included in the Wright Improvement District as presented. Commissioner Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Chairman Tasset moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes Meeting-2019-48

Credit Card Statement-\$33,434.13

Commissioner Boys moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Approval of Claims for Payment: \$320,013.08

Commissioner Boys moved to approve the claims for payment of \$320,013.08. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Open Public Comment

Scott Vander Hamm with Young Guns thanked the commission for the changes that were made at the Expo Center for the group; there are still some things that need to be worked on. Mr. Vander Hamm stated they had 999 contestants compete on Saturday and 872 on Sunday. Their last competition will be Valentine's Day weekend.

Unfinished business**Ford County Personnel Manual-Series 503 Tobacco Policy**

HR Director, Pat Heeke presented the revised Series 503 Tobacco Policy. This was tabled from the December 16, 2019 meeting to make changes. Ms. Heeke stated that she sent it to the Department heads and the policy committee for edit; she did not receive any edits. There was a question on parking lots and right of ways and roads. Ms. Heeke stated this policy only applies to entrances within 20 feet of any entrance. If you are in the middle of a parking lot at the Expo or Road and Bridge this policy does not apply to that. Chairman Tasset stated he does not agree with bullet points 3 and 4. Number three states, In all County owned or operated property, equipment or vehicles. Number four is Personal Vehicles transporting personnel for County business. Commissioner Snook agrees with Chairman Tasset. Administrator Gilbert asked if changes were made to number three and number four could the commission approve this policy? Chairman Tasset stated in number 3, remove the three words, "or operated property", and remove number 4 completely.

Chairman Tasset moved to adopt Ford County Personnel Manual-Series 503 Tobacco Policy with changes made to bullet point number 3 removing, "or operated property" and to remove completely bullet point number 4, "Personal vehicles transporting personnel for County business." Commissioner Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Legal Counsel-None**County Administrator's Report****Ford County EMS-2011 Osage Warrior**

Fire Chief Rob Boyd is asking permission to remount one of the ambulances, a 2011 Osage Warrior. He is recommending to allow the manufacturer of the ambulance perform the remount, as it will allow Ford County to maintain the lifetime body warranty. The quote from Osage was for \$114,930.00 to come from line number 036-201-5433. This is a budgeted item. This will save the county approx. \$100,000.00.

Commissioner Snook moved to approve the remount on the 2011 Osage Warrior for \$114,930.00 from line number 03-201-5433. Chairman Tasset seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0**

Ford County EMS-Stryker Quote

Fire Chief Rob Boyd is asking permission to purchase 5 cardiac monitors from Stryker in the amount of \$165,884.30 with trade in of 5 old monitors. This will come from line number 036-201-5443.

Commissioner Boys moved to approve the purchase of 5 cardiac monitors for \$165,884.20 from line number 036-201-5443 with trade in. Commissioner Snook second the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Sheriff's Office-Bid Results/SUV

Captain Hunter from the Ford County Sheriff's office presented the bid results for the SUV. They received 3 bids:

Newberry Family Auto bid is \$31,818 for a 2020 Dodge Durango pursuit AWD with a 6-10 week estimated delivery date.

Newberry Family Auto bid is \$36,565.72 for a 2020 Chevy Tahoe 4WD pursuit with a 6-10 week estimated delivery date.

TCS bid is \$36,643.05 for a 2020 Chevy Tahoe 4WD pursuit with a delivery date of two (2) weeks.

The Ford County Sheriff's Office recommends going with the bid from TCS. Because the delivery date is two weeks.

Commissioner Snook moved to approve the bid from TCS for \$36,643.05. Commissioner Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Safety Committee-Appointment

HR Director Pat Heeke is requesting the appointment of Rex Beemer, Ford County Emergency Manager, to the Safety Committee. This would update the position held by Danny Gillum.

Chairman Tasset moved to appoint Ford County Emergency Manager Rex Beemer to the Safety Committee. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Southwest Kansas Regional Emergency Planning Council-Appointment

Rex Beemer Ford County Emergency Manager, is requesting to be appointed as Ford County's representative to the Southwest Kansas Regional Emergency Planning Council for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021.

Commissioner Boys moved to approve Rex Beemer as Ford County's representative to the Southwest Kansas Regional Emergency Planning Council for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

County Commission Meeting Schedule Conflict

Monday, January 20, 2020 is Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. The regular board meeting for the 3rd Monday in January will need to be re-scheduled. Also the second board meeting in February is Presidents Day and will also need to be re-scheduled.

Commissioner Boys moved to change the next board meeting to Friday January 17th at 10:00 am. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Commissioner Boys moved to change the second meeting in February from February 17 to Tuesday February 18 at the regular meeting time of 3:30 p.m. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Upcoming Meetings

KLPG 2020 Winter Meeting: January 21, 2020, Capital Plaza Hotel, Topeka

Local Government Day: 3:00 pm.-7:00 pm., January 22, 2020- The Kansas Association of Counties is co-hosting Local Government Day with the League of Kansas Municipalities. Capitol Plaza Hotel, Topeka

KLPG Winter Conference: 1-5 pm. At Capitol Plaza in Topeka

3i WKMA/Mid America Workforce Summit: January 22-23, 2020, Capitol Plaza Hotel, Topeka

Community Facilities Advisory Board (CFAB): January 29, 2020 at 6:00 pm. City Commission Chambers, City Hall

Southwest Kansas Night Out in Topeka: January 27, 2020, 5:00 pm.- 8:00 pm. Capitol Plaza Hotel, Topeka

Adjournment

Chairman Tasset moved to adjourn at 5:00 p.m. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion.

Motion carried 3-0.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FORD COUNTY, KANSAS**

Shawn Tasset, Chairman

ATTEST:

Debbie Cox, County Clerk