

# FORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

MEETING OF April 4, 2022  
MEETING NUMBER 2022-08  
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.

Those present were:

Chris Boys, Chairman

Dr. Shawn Fletcher, Assistant County Administrator

Ken W. Snook, Commissioner (by Phone)

Debbie Cox, County Clerk

Shawn Tasset, Commissioner

Chairman Boys called the meeting to order. Captain Roberto Davila, Salvation Army led the group in prayer, followed by Chairman Boys leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Consent Agenda

Approval of Meeting Minutes: 2022-07

Credit Card Statement: March

Cereal Malt Beverage License: Craig Dollansky Racing Promotions / Dodge City Raceway Park

Proclamation: April as Child Abuse Prevention Month

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

## Approval of Claims for Payment: \$513,642.18

Chairman Boys moved to approve the claims for payment, as presented. Commissioner Tasset seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

## Open Public Comment - None

## Unfinished Business - None

## Legal Counsel – None

## County Administrator's Report

## Ford County Engineer Report

Ford County Engineer Jon Halbgewachs updated the board on current projects.

Iron Star Wind Farm w/Engie – Kirkham Michael identified damaged asphalt needing repaired on Saddle Road at three intersections: 112 Road, 113 Road, and 115 Road. Notice has been sent to Iron Star Wind. No response back yet.

US Highway 50 expansion west of Dodge City to Cimarron – Construction for the westbound lanes is now expected to start in April. They will begin in Gray County first because there is less to move. Should see work start in Ford County mid to late May.

Hilmar Cheese Plant Traffic Impact Study – Have submitted preliminary roadway plans for paving 112 and Outlaw Roads to KDOT. KDOT is looking to schedule virtual plan review meeting the week of April 18. Chris and JD will receive invitations.

Low Water Crossing on 127 Road between Kettle and Marshall Roads – The Commission approved moving forward with final design and bidding with a 16-foot drivable surface. Will bid this project in 2022. Construction to start late summer or early fall.

Off – System Bridge 97 replacement - The field survey has been completed. Construction to start in 2023.

High Risk Rural Roads – Ford County was not selected by KDOT for the pavement marking project application.

Jewell Road Reclamation completed in 2021 – Terracon has extracted soil borings and core samples of the asphalt and cement treated base for evaluation.

US 50 Access Road Maintenance Agreement with KDOT – KDOT has presented an agreement to Ford County to transfer ownership, liability, and maintenance responsibilities of certain access roads which are to be constructed with the US 50, 4 – lane expressway project west of Dodge City. Part of one access road is not highlighted on the plan sheets. Have made KDOT aware of this. Will pass on comments to the County legal Counselor for review.

### **Community Facility Advisory Board: United Wireless Arena / RFP – Knight**

Melissa McCoy with the Community Facility Advisory Board, and Chris Ragland with United Wireless Arena is asking for approval of the Microlite Retrofit for the United Wireless Arena from Knight Sound and Lighting for \$125,900.00. Knight Sound and Lighting was the only respondent to the request for proposal.

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve the bid of the Microlite Retrofit from Knight Sound and Lighting for \$125,900.00. Chairman Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

### **Fire & EMS: Danko / Change Order #1**

Deputy Fire Chief Kyle Davis presented for approval Danko Change order #1. There is a few changes on the new fire truck that was on ordered at the beginning of the year.

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve the Danko Emergency Equipment change order #1 for \$2,068.00. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

### **Emergency Management: Disaster Declaration**

Emergency Manager Rex Beemer on behalf of Victory Electric is requesting a disaster declaration from the County for the storm dated March 17-22. They have approx. \$1 million in losses.

Asking for approval of Resolution 2022-14 Proclamation of a State of Local Disaster Emergency for Ford County, Kansas.

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve Resolution 2022-14, as requested. Chairman Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

**Request for Proposals: Mail Machine / Lease**

The Government Center mail machine lease expires in 6/2022. Requesting authorization to publish a request for lease proposals.

Chairman Boys moved to approve the request for lease proposals in regards to the Government Center mail machine. Commissioner Tasset seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

**Upcoming Meetings**

Community Facility Advisory Board (CFAB): 6:30 pm Tuesday, April 19, 2022

Kansas County Commission Association: Spring Conference, April 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>, Salina

Kansas Association of City/County Managers: KACM Spring Conference 2022, April 28th & 29th, Lawrence.

**Adjournment**

Commissioner Tasset moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:05 pm. Chairman Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

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

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Chris Boys, Chairman

Attested:

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Debbie Cox, County Clerk