

FORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES
MEETING OF February 22, 2022
MEETING NUMBER 2022-03
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
3:30 A.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
Ken W. Snook, Commissioner
Shawn Tasset, Commissioner

J.D. Gilbert, County Administrator
Debbie Cox, County Clerk

Chairman Boys called the meeting to order. Dr. Shawn Fletcher led the group in prayer, followed by Chairman Boys leading the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Boys moved to amend the agenda, to add Executive Session at the end of the meeting, and to move KAC services awards up from the County Administrator's Report # 4 to before Open Public Comment.

Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Consent Agenda

Approval of Meeting Minutes: 2022-03

Approval of Additions & Abatements: 2020 RE \$-495.14; 2021 RE \$-1813.06; 2020 PP \$-75.30; 2021 PP \$-471.20; 2021 16/20m's \$-8.00; 2021 W/C \$-21.00

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

Approval of Claims for Payment: \$667,813.44

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

Kansas Association of Counties: Service Awards

KAC services awards were handed out to employees for their years of service to the County.

Open Public Comment

Representatives with Young Guns Club thanked the Commissioners for their support. They spoke on the banquet that was held in Dodge City the last weekend. This was the 7-year anniversary for

Young Guns they have grown from 120 members to 347 member from 5 different states Young Guns was featured on the Cowboy Channel, which has added interest in the Club worldwide.

Unfinished Business

Kansas Association of Counties: 2022 Annual Membership Dues

This was tabled from the 2021-47 meeting to allow time for a discussion with the KAC board. Commissioner Tasset stated he has spoken to members of the KAC board expressing the need for improved services. Commissioner Tasset stated that the Association of County Commissioners have hired a lobbyist for the Association.

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve the 2022 annual dues for the Kansas Association of Counties. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Legal Counsel

Resolution: Designating Landmark National Bank

Ford County Legal Counsel Mr. Glenn Kerbs is presenting resolutions that need to be modified due to changes in the County Treasurers office. This will allow the Deputy Treasurer to conduct business. These will have to be modified again in the near future.

Ford County Legal Counsel Mr. Glenn Kerbs, presented for approval Resolution 2022-10 **A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING LANDMARK NATIONAL BANK AS AN OFFICIAL DEPOSITORY BANK FOR FUNDS OF FORD COUNTY, KANSAS.**

Chairman Boys moved to adopt Resolution 2022-10 A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING LANDMARK NATIONAL BANK AS AN OFFICIAL DEPOSITORY BANK FOR FUNDS OF FORD COUNTY, KANSAS. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Resolution: A Resolution to Continue an Account in the Municipal Investment Pool

Ford County Legal Counsel Mr. Glenn Kerbs presented for approval Resolution 2022-11 **A RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE AN ACCOUNT IN THE MUNICIPAL INVESTMENT POOL.**

Chairman Boys moved to adopt Resolution 2022-11 A RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE AN ACCOUNT IN THE MUNICIPAL INVESTMENT POOL. Commissioner Tasset seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3 – 0.**

Ford County Legal Counsel Mr. Glenn Kerbs presented for approval Resolution 2022-12 **A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES FOR FUNDS OF FORD COUNTY, KANSAS.**

Chairman Boys moved to adopt Resolution 2022-12 A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES FOR FUNDS OF FORD COUNTY, KANSAS. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

County Administrator's Report

Ford County Road and Bridge: Fuel Bid Results

Road and Bridge Superintendent Chris O'Neal presented the results of the fuel bids for 2022.

Bids received from the following:

A-V Energy - E-10 Unleaded - 60,000 gallons \$3.0318; #2 Dyed Diesel - 40,000 gallons \$2.9687; #2 Clear Diesel - 40,000 gallons - \$3.2247; #1 Diesel Clear / Dyed - Market Price

Nusser Oil - E-10 Unleaded - 60,000 gallons \$3.01000; #2 Dyed Diesel - 40,000 gallons \$2.93000; #2 Clear Diesel - 40,000 gallons \$3.19000; #1 Diesel Clear / Dyed \$3.44 /\$3.18

Winan's Oil - E-10 Unleaded - 60,000 gallons \$3.32800; #2 Dyed Diesel - 40,000 gallons \$3.08000; #2 Clear Diesel - 40,000 gallons \$3.34000; #1 Diesel Clear / Dyed - Market Price

Recommendation is to go with the low bid Nusser Oil

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve the low bid of Nusser Oil as recommended. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Pawnee County Commissioner Bob Rein: Larned State Hospital

Pawnee County Commissioner Bob Rein invited the Commissioners to the Pawnee County Leadership Meeting, March 21, 2022 from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm at the Larned State Hospital Auditorium. This will be an informative meeting to discuss and answer questions about Larned State Hospital.

Ford County Historical Society - Grant Application

Kent Stehlik and Doug Austin with the Ford County Historical Society presented an update on the HEAL Grant. They did not receive the HEAL grant. They are now applying for the BASE Grant. This grant is 4 times greater than the HEAL grant. The match is a 25/75 match, the HEAL grant was a 50/50 match. They are asking the County to provide the 25% or \$75,000.00 for the match. The application must be turned in with a letter from the County stating the County will provide this match.

Commissioner Tasset moved to authorize the redirection of the \$75,000 which was approved for the HEAL grant to be applied for the BASE grant match, as requested by the Historical Society. Chairman Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Planning and Zoning Rezoning Request / TDC Holdings, LLC

Planning and Zoning Director Melissa Drake presented for approval Resolution No. 2022-13

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A REZONING FROM AGRICULTURAL TO SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL ON REAL PROPERTY LEGALLY DESCRIBED EXHIBIT A.

Commissioner Snook moved to approve Resolution 2022-13 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A REZONING FROM AGRICULTURAL TO SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL ON REAL PROPERTY LEGALLY DESCRIBED EXHIBIT A. Chairman Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Health Department: Update

Ford County Health Department Administrator Angela Sowers is asking permission to terminate some of the grants that the Health Department participating in. Requirements are increasing but funding is decreasing or remain the same. In 2023, this will also be decreasing more. The reporting requirements now are so time consuming, we do not have the staff to meet those requirements. Would like to focus more on the services for the public than the reporting for the grants. This will not affect the public; they will not notice any changes in what the Health Department is doing. She has talked to program directors and they cannot make changes in the requirements because they are federal requirements. Ms. Sowers has prepared a termination letter which has been approved by legal counsel. Some of the grants require a 30-day notice. At this time, Ms. Sowers is working on which grants that will be terminated. Ford County is not the only County going through this.

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve Ford County Health Department Administrator Angela Sowers' request to terminate participation in certain grants, as she determines to be necessary. Chairman Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Upcoming Meetings

Annual Chamber Banquet: February 25, 2022, Boothill Casino Conference Center

Dodge City Night in Topeka: Tuesday March 1, 2022 Shawnee Room at Hotel Topeka, Starting at 5:30 pm.

CFAB / Special Meeting: March 2 at 6:30 pm, City Commission Chambers at 806 N. 2nd. Ave.

2022 ICMA Mountain Plains Regional Conference: March 9-11, 2022 Dallas / Fort Worth Airport Marriott

3i Show: March 17-19, 2022

Community Facility Advisory Board (CFAB): 6:30 pm. Tuesday, March 22, 2022.

Executive Session

Chairman Boys moved the Board recess into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss legal issues related to the Ford County Treasurer's Office pursuant to the attorney-client privilege exception to the Kansas Open Meetings Act, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b)(2). The open meeting to resume in this location at 5:10 pm.

In addition to the Commissioners, the County Administrator, Assistant County Administrator, Deputy County Treasurer, Debra Pennington and the County Counselor should be included in the executive session. Commissioner Tasset seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Commissioners resumed regular meeting at 5:10 pm. No action was taken.

Adjournment

Chairman Boys moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:11 pm. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

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

Chris Boys, Chairman

Attested:

Debbie Cox, County Clerk