



Board of Pottawatomie County Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 23, 2023

612 E Campbell
 Westmoreland KS 66549
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Public Works/Sunflower Room

8:30 a.m.

District 1 – Deloyce McKee

District 2 – Dennis Weixelman

District 3 – Greg Riat

1.0 8:30 AM CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING WITH FLAG SALUTE & PRAYER

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Dennis Weixelman	County Commissioner, Chair	Present 8:30 a.m.
Deloyce McKee	County Commissioner, Vice Chair	Present 8:30 a.m.
Chad Kinsley	County Administrator	Present 8:30 a.m.
John Watt	County Counselor	Present 8:30 a.m.
Ashley Rice	Election Supervisor	Present 8:30 a.m.
Andrea Umscheid	Management Assistant-Operations/Transportation	Present 8:30 a.m.
Steve Minton	Resident	Present 8:30 a.m.
Michelle Campbell	Resident	Present 8:30 a.m.
Natha Manges Burns	Resident	Present 8:30 a.m.
Annie Wolfe	The Times	Present 8:30 a.m.
Lance Forgy	Assistant Public Works Administrator	Present 8:30 a.m.
Leon Ross	Resident	Present 8:33 a.m.
Hal Bumgarner	EMS Director	Present 8:34 a.m.
Joel Fager	Assistant EMS Director	Present 8:34 a.m.
Lawrence Ubel	Resident	Present 8:36 a.m.
Nathan Bergman	Bartlett & West	Present 8:40 a.m.
Stephan Metzger	County Planner	Present 8:48 a.m.
Steve Roggenkamp	Project Coordinator	Present 9:15 a.m.
Tim Roggenkamp	RWD #4	Present 9:21 a.m.
Curtis Haefner	RWD #3	Present 9:21 a.m.
Mike Studer	Resident/Land Owner	Present 9:51 a.m.
Gregg Webster	Zoning Administer	Present 10:15 a.m.
Craig Mattox	Finney & Turnipseed	Present 10:25 a.m.
Jim MacGregor	Wabaunsee Co Commissioner	Via Zoom 10:33 a.m.
Rodney Allen	Wabaunsee Co Commissioner	Via Zoom 10:33 a.m.
Nancy Hier	Wabaunsee Co Commissioner	Via Zoom 10:33 a.m.
Noel Sylvester	Wabaunsee Co Planning & Zoning Director	Via Zoom 10:33 a.m.
Ryan Michaelis	Wabaunsee Co County Appraiser	Via Zoom 10:33 a.m.
Josh Hinch	Wabaunsee Co Road & Bridge Asst Supervisor	Via Zoom 10:33 a.m.
Steven Holz	Wabaunsee Co Resident	Via Zoom 10:33 a.m.
Ervan Stuewe	Wabaunsee Co Resident	Via Zoom 10:33 a.m.
Thayne Bush	Wabaunsee Co Road & Bridge Supervisor	Via Zoom 10:33 a.m.
Tim Liesmann	Wabaunsee Co Attorney	Via Zoom 10:33 a.m.
Abby Amick	Wabaunsee Co Clerk	Via Zoom 10:33 a.m.

2.0 ROUTINE ITEMS:

2.1 McKee moved to approve the agenda adding CMB license to consent items. Weixelman seconded, motion carried 2-0.

2.2 Weixelman moved to approve January 9, 2023 minutes. McKee seconded, motion carried 2-0.

3.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Steve Minton mentioned the Planning Commission had two new members and it was good to see younger people getting involved, and commented on public hearings and not discussing them outside of meetings.

4.0 DEPARTMENT UPDATES & ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Transportation: Andrea Umscheid asked for approval of the updated Title VI booklet and went over numbers for it, then gave 2022-year end overview and ridership data.

Motion: McKee moved to accept and file the updated Title VI booklet. Weixelman seconded, motion carried 2-0.

4.2 EMS: Hal Bumgarner formally introduced the assistant EMS director, Joel Fager, gave a presentation on 2022 numbers, and gave a shout out to the entire EMS crews and billers. Bumgarner commented on the LEPC meeting, which had a guest speaker and discussion over railroad transportation and safety and informed commissioners of an AFG grant for physical fitness equipment with a ceiling of \$9,000 and a 10% match; Pottawatomie County's portion would be \$900.

Motion: McKee moved in favor of the grant. Weixelman seconded, motion carried 2-0.

4.3 Planning & Zoning: Stephan Metzger stated, February 16th planning commission meeting will have two public hearings that will probably cause phone calls to commissioners. A CUP for expansion of Mid State Rock Quarry, and an amended PUD for Willow Glenn. February 6th meeting will talk about solar farms and the commissioners will need to decide yes or no, regulations, moratorium etc. Reviewed 2022 Development Activity Report. Metzger presented Resolution 2023-08; amending 2019-68 building codes for approval, which has updates to the codes to match with City of Manhattan.

Motion: Weixelman moved to approve Resolution 2023-08. McKee seconded, with reservations, motion carried 2-0.

4.4 Public Works: Lance Forgy updated on the road crews going out over the weekend. McKee thanked them for all their hard work with the winter weather. Steve Roggenkamp presented the GRT15 Armstrong Road Bridge Replacement Request for Pottawatomie County's commitment of funds totaling \$147,423.00 and enters the county into the KDOT system for that project. Roggenkamp asked commissioners to set the date for a Road Opening hearing located in Blue Township.

Motion: Weixelman moved to approve the Project Programming Request (GRT15 Armstrong Road Bridge Replacement) McKee seconded, motion carried 2-0.

Motion: Weixelman moved to set the Road Opening hearing date for Monday, February 27th at 10:00 a.m. McKee seconded, motion carried 2-0.

4.5 Commissioners: Commissioners updated on phone calls received, meetings attended or attending, and roads they drove (RHID information meeting with Wamego City, LEPC, Flint Hills Regional Council, Legislative Day, Department of Commerce board).

4.6 Administration Office: Chad Kinsley informed that the Treasurer’s office would be closed Tuesday, January 24th from noon on because of state changing out routers. Kinsley informed commissioners there were some hiccups early on with the new insurance plan but those have been resolved and that it was normal to have this happen, and if there are other issues to talk with HR. Kinsley presented the contract for Indigent Attorney, Lucas Renz, for approval.

Motion: McKee moved to sign the contract with Lucas Renz. Weixelman seconded, motion carried 2-0.

4.7 County Counselor: John Watt met with legislatures and Jay Hall to discuss the election of four new commissioners at one time and how the statute states that is not supposed to happen, hoping the issue will be fixed this year.

5.0 New Business:

5.1 Rural Water District Expansion: Curtis Haefner explained how they had a resident want water, and Rural Water District #4 couldn’t get water there but Rural Water District #3 could, so they were wanting to go through the process of annexing that portion after RWD4 de-annexed. Commissioners didn’t see an issue with going through the process.

5.2 Road Vacation: Chair declared hearing open at 10:25a.m. Gregg Webster explained which road was being vacated, and informed commissioners Marshall county had already vacated the western half of their portion and intends to vacate the other half as well soon, presented the petition signed by all owners surrounding the road. Weixelman asked for comments from the public, once, twice, thrice, after hearing the comments the hearing was closed at 10:27 a.m.

Motion: Weixelman moved to vacate Pottawatomie County’s entire portion. McKee seconded, motion carried 2-0.

5.3 Belvue Bridge discussion with Wabaunsee County commission: Wabaunsee County discussed how the appropriation bill had been passed and funding will go through KDOT, and wanted to get a feel for our plan to move forward. Craig Mattox discussed the updated cost estimates with contingencies. After discussion it was decided to plan on having another joint meeting once there was more information/direction from KDOT.

6.0 CONSENT ITEMS:

6.1 Tax Corrections

FLIN0039	30.64	COAT0006	-87.08	POTT0024	-280.30
FLIN0039	25.56	KNOX0001	-217.90	POTT0024	-273.96
FLIN0039	-238.06	STUL0003	-3.90	POTT0024	-108.86
MEAR0004	-131.76	DOUB0003	63.24	WAME0052	-503.60
WEIS0016	-406.54	POTT0024	-90.38	WAME0052	-524.58
SCHU0014	-14.14	POTT024	-138.88		

6.2 Township Reports

6.3 CMB license for Hofman Farm Supply

6.4 Ledger transactions totaling \$1,904,186.48 & \$75,850.52

Motion: McKee moved to approve consent items. Weixelman seconded, motion carried 2-0.

7.0 ADJOURNMENT: Chair declared regular meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

8.0 WORK SESSION:

8.1 High Risk Rural Roads Grant

seal

Attest:

County Clerk, Dawn Henry

Chair, Dennis Weixelman

Vice Chair, Deloyce McKee

Member, Greg Riat