



Board of Pottawatomie County Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 13, 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.
Greg Riat	County Commissioner, Member	Present 8:30 a.m.
Chad Kinsley	County Administrator	Present 8:30 a.m.
John Watt	County Counselor	Present 8:30 a.m.
Desiree Thompson	Deputy County Clerk	Present 8:30 a.m.
Sherri Schuck	County Attorney	Present 8:30 a.m.
Andrea Karnes	Victim Witness Coordinator/Office Manager	Present 8:30 a.m.
Mark Jack	Noxious Weed Director	Present 8:30 a.m.
Tommy Edwards	Buildings and Grounds Supervisor	Present 8:30 a.m.
Tim Eisenbarth	Public Works Administrator	Present 8:30 a.m.
Michelle Campbell	Resident	Present 8:30 a.m.
Steve Minton	Resident	Present 8:30 a.m.
Annie Wolfe	The Times	Present 8:30 a.m.
Natha Manges Burns	Resident	Present 8:32 a.m.
Gregg Webster	Zoning Administrator	Present 8:41 a.m.
Mark Neff	Flint Hills Outdoor	Present 8:49 a.m.
Ross Hill	Wamego Senior Center	Present 8:52 a.m.
Steve Roggenkamp	Project Coordinator	Present 9:02 a.m.
Lance Forgy	Assistant Public Works Administrator	Present 9:19 a.m.
Nathan Bergman	Bartlett & West	Present 9:40 a.m.
Trent Nichols	USI	Present 9:45 a.m.
Sydne Harpenau	USI	Present 9:45 a.m.
Matt Morrison	Oread RX	Present 9:45 a.m.
Chris King	Wamego Drug Co	Present 10:27 a.m.
Shane Jager	Sheriff	Present 10:18 a.m.
Doug Adams	Undersheriff	Present 10:18 a.m.
Leslie Campbell	Health Director	Present 10:24 a.m.
Whitney Phebus	Director of Human Resources	Present 10:27 a.m.
Paul Schliffke	Wamego Police Department	Present 10:45 a.m.
Kate Morris	St George Police Department	Present 10:45 a.m.
Dale Burton	St George Police Department	Present 10:45 a.m.
Derek Cid	St Mary's Police Department	Present 10:54 a.m.
Crystian Torres	Sergeant	Present 10:55 a.m.

2.0 ROUTINE ITEMS:

2.1 Weixelman moved to approve the agenda adding Building and Grounds. Riat seconded, motion carried 3-0.

2.2 Weixelman moved to approve February 6, 2023 minutes. Riat seconded, motion carried 3-0.

3.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Steve Minton spoke about the Belvue and Louisville Bridges, noting that the more expensive bridge would last longer and save money in the long run. Michelle Campbell thanked the Public Works Department for cleaning up the rock quarry at the edge of Westy.

4.0 DEPARTMENT UPDATES & ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Noxious Weed: Tommy Edwards presented information about a generator for the Wamego Senior Center. The cost would be approximately \$80,000. To cover the generator, the Wamego Senior Center is willing to contribute \$5,000 and there is \$45,000 reserved from a grant currently for the project. Ross Hill stated everything had been priced when initial estimate was made.

4.2 County Attorney: Sherri Schuck and Andrea Karnes updated on trials from 2022, two trials set for April and a new software system they are using.

4.3 Public Works: Gregg Webster presented a petition to vacate a portion of Boxelder Rd where there is currently no road.

Motion: Weixelman moved approve a public hearing to vacate a portion of Boxelder Rd on Monday March 20th, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. Riat seconded, motion carried 3-0.

4.4 Public Works: Steve Roggenkamp presented the 2023 Asphalt Overlay Projects for Carnahan Rd, Delia Rd, My Calvary Rd, Country Breeze Subdivision, Guadalupe Subdivision, Timberview Subdivision and Wildridge Subdivision to go to bid March 13, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Roggenkamp also present the 2023 Chip and Seal projects for Sandy Hook/ Maple Hill Rd, Onaga Rd, Aiken Switch Rd, Vineyard Rd, Rockenham Rm, Anthony Dr, Anthony Cir, Ike's Way, Reid Dr, Jennice Ct and Megan Ln. Fog seal for Anthony Dr, Anthony Cir, Ike's Way, Reid Dr, Jennice Ct and Megan Ln to go to bid March 13, 2023 at 10:15 a.m. Tim Eisenbarth stated he was going to meet with the City of St Mary's in regards to the asphalt overlay project and presented two bridges that need resurfacing, the Onaga Rd Bridge and Aiken Switch Bridge.

Motion: Riat moved to approve 2023 Asphalt Overlay Plan. McKee seconded, motion passed 3-0.

Motion: Weixelman moved to approve 2023 Chip and Seal Plan. McKee seconded, motion passed 3-0.

Motion: Riat moved to approve getting an engineer's bid for the resurfacing of Onaga Rd Bridge and Aiken Switch Bridge. McKee seconded, motion passed 3-0.

4.5 Commissioners: Commissioners updated on phone calls received, meetings attended or attending, and roads they drove (Eco Devo, Onaga Chili Feed, Board of County Commissioners State Meeting, Republican 27th Annual Founders Day Spaghetti Lunch, Flint Hills Christian School, and a Dedicatory for new Fair Building).

4.6 Administration Office: Chad stated that the offices and landfill will be closed Monday February 20, for President's Day, the next meeting is February 27, there is an Eco Devo meeting Thursday at 3, the City County County meeting was canceled and the next one is March 16. The planning and zoning meeting is Thursday at 7 and will include the Midstate Quarry CUP. Chad presented the 2022 county inventory list, a letter from the Onaga Prom Committee asking for a donation, Resolution 2022-13 Exempt Wage Resolution, a letter from Varney and Associates for additional procedures for the ARPA grant, and the engagement letter from Varney and Associates for a financial audit.

Motion: Weixelman moved to approve 2022 county inventory list. Riat seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Motion: McKee motioned to donate \$400 to any school that requested funds for prom, starting with Onaga. Riat seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Motion: McKee motioned to approve Varney and Associates financial audit. Riat seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Motion: Weixelman moved to approve additional procedures for ARPA grant from Varney and Associates. Riat seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Resolution: Riat moved to approve Resolution 2023-13. Weixelman seconded, motion carried 3-0.

4.7 County Counselor: John Watt spoke on the counties previous CUP process (the Planning Commission making the final decision), and a case involving Cowley County and Finney County and how the previous process was not legal, but that issue has since been corrected. The correct process is the Planning Commission recommends to the County Commission and County Commissioners have the final say.

5.0 NEW BUSINESS:

5.1 Kansas Housing Investor Tax Credit: Ross Vogel presented information regarding a new program to allow homebuilders to apply for tax credits for building affordable housing in the county. John Childs has applied to the program to build several houses and a duplex. After much debate commissioners came to an agreement on Resolution 2022-14 striking sections 1-3.

Resolution: McKee moved to approve Resolution 2022-14. Riat seconded, motion carried 3-0.

5.2 Health Plan Update: Trent Nichols and Matt Morrison gave an update regarding the new health plan. There were a few bumps in the road when switching to the new program, however they are working diligently on getting claims and any prescription drugs needed processed in a timely manner. Some changes have been made to policies and they are looking for things to go smoothly in the future.

6.0 CONSENT ITEMS:

6.1 Tax Corrections

STUT0004	-491.80	AGPA0002	-16400.66
STUT0004	-274.98	AGPA0002	-2159.38
TRUE0003	393.08	NELS0041	-779.50
SMIT0191	185.88		
SMIT0191	37.94		
AGPA0002	-27374.08		
AGPA0002	-1694.22		

Motion: McKee moved to approve consent items. Riat seconded, motion carried 3-0.

7.0 ADJOURNMENT: Chair declared regular meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

8.0 Work Session – Mental Health Discussion

Chair, Dennis Weixelman

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Vice Chair, Deloyce McKee

Attest:

County Clerk, Dawn Henry
Board of Pottawatomie County Commissioners

Member, Greg Riat