



Board of Pottawatomie County Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 30, 2020

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 8:36 AM CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING WITH FLAG SALUTE & PRAYER

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Dennis Weixelman	County Commissioner, Vice Chair	Present 8:30 a.m.
Deloyce McKee	Chair Commissioner, Chair	Present 8:30 a.m.
Greg Riat	County Commissioner, Member	Present 8:30 a.m.
Nancy McCarter	County Clerk	Present 8:30 a.m.
Chad Kinsley	County Administrator	Present 8:30 a.m.
Cody Liming	Assistant Emergency Service Director	Present 8:30 a.m.
Mark Portell	Wamego Times	Present 8:30 a.m.
Peter Clark	Public Works Director	Present 8:30 a.m.
Dustin Newman	Assistant Public Works Director	Present 8:54 a.m.
Scott Schwinn	County Sanitarian/Landfill	Present 9:00 a.m.
John Watt	County Counselor (via zoom)	
Moni G. El-Aasar	Resident Via zoom	
Lisa Wright	County Treasurer via zoom	
Steve Minton	Resident via zoom	

2.0 ROUTINE ITEMS:

2.1 McKee moved to approve the agenda, as amended. Weixelman seconded, carried 3-0.

2.2 Weixelman moved to approve March 20, 21, 22 & 23, 2020 minutes and special meetings. Riat seconded, carried 3-0.

3.0 CONSENT ITEMS:

3.1 Tax Correction: KEEP0001 Manhattan City 21,813.06- Commissioner Riat moved to approve consent item. Commissioner Weixelman seconded, carried 3-0. *(Document signed)*

4.0 DEPARTMENT UPDATES & ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Commission:

Commissioner Weixelman briefed on the daily meetings they have in order to keep abreast of the pandemic, saying the County is doing a good job working with the Governors policy. Commissioner Riat reported the first responders were doing a good job and he respected them. Commissioner McKee expressed concerns about the need for fire permits and maybe having an extra staff member at the landfill for brush burning.

4.2 Administration: Chad Kinsley presented a detention pond resolution for consideration. Clark explained the changes, addressing timing of construction; Commissioner McKee had concerns for about up or down stream areas. John Watt *(via Zoom)* said the statues state only subdivisions within that subdivision could contribute to the cost; there is no way to impose up or down stream housing unless a drainage district was developed. Commissioner Weixelman expressed concerns about the Letter of Credit; with County as Payee thereunder, in an amount to be determined by County, not to

exceed seven thousand, saying it was five thousand. Commissioner Riat moved to approve the change in the resolution to \$5,000 as they need to work with the contractors and this was the number discussed earlier. Commissioner Weixelman seconded, carried 3-0. Commissioner McKee moved to adopt Resolution 2020-17 as amended establishing policies for residential, commercial, and other subdivisions outside the corporate limits of any city, which have stormwater detention structures; and establishing a funding mechanism for the maintenance, repair and upkeep of stormwater detention structures in such subdivisions. Commissioner Riat seconded, carried 3-0. *(Document signed)*

Chad Kinsley presented a resolution establishing fees for the Blue Township Sewer District to match the increase made by the City of Manhattan. Commissioner Weixelman moved to adopt Resolution 2020-18 setting new sewer fees. Commissioner McKee seconded, motion carried 3-0. *(Document signed)*

Chad Kinsley informed the commissioners he has set up a meeting with Wabaunsee County Commissioners concerning the Belvue Bridge; they will attend via Zoom next Monday, April 6, 2020.

Chad Kinsley inquired about the daily briefings at the Wamego Emergency Management Office at 406 C Miller Dr. Commissioners agreed to continue to make each meeting an open meeting and the commissioners will continue to attend either in person or via Zoom.

4.3 Counselor: John Watt reported the tax foreclosure sales will be put on hold, but he will keep them informed.

4.4 Public Works: Dustin Newman presented information on the bids they received for a new backhoe for the Landfill. They had received three different models, one from Murphy Tractor, one from Foley Equipment and one from KanEquip. Staff recommended the CAT 420F2 from Foley. Commissioner Riat expressed concerns about the equipment not being the same level of machines. Commissioner Weixelman moved to reject all bids and rebid the equipment on more comparable machines. Commissioner Riat seconded, motion carried 3-0. Newman said the new bids would be ready late April.

Belvue Bridge Update: Peter Clark presented the history of Belvue Bridge from construction in 1955 to 2019 inspection. March 2020 steel repair cost estimates, assuming repaired from underneath the bridge, would be \$793,000. Public Works rough estimate:

1. One-lane deck replacement *(Commissioner Riat's concept)* is \$2.5M
2. Steel repairs, done during deck construction is \$500K
3. For a total project estimate of \$3M

Clark recommended getting a new engineering study with new concept options to weigh against previously studied options, or do cold patch asphalt in holes if we are moving to replace the deck. Moni G. El-Aasar *(via Zoom)* added looking at a lightweight concrete with composite steel. Clark said he would work with Kinsley this week putting together a first draft request for qualifications (RFQ) for engineering with three options for the bridge. Commissioners agreed to meet with Wabaunsee County Commissioners next week to continue moving forward on a solution.

Clark briefed commissioners on the bids for on call hauling. Four bids come in; Eugene Prockish, 4 Play Trucking, MCM, and Double J. Clark said he would award to all four and use them as available and consider their pricing.

5.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Chair opened the floor for comments (via Zoom listeners):

Lisa Wright reported her office was staying busy and working a lot via mail.

Steve Minton expressed the Capital Improvement Fund

John Watt informed commissioners of some concerns that the Landfill was not open for business. Commissioners replied that the Landfill is open for business.

Nancy McCarter informed commissioners she would be promoting advance voting for August Primary, in light of the current pandemic.

6.0 Adjournment: Chair declared meeting adjured at 12:00 p.m.

Chair, Deloyce McKee

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Vice Chair, Dennis Weixelman

Attest:

County Clerk, Nancy McCarter

Member, Greg Riat