



Board of Pottawatomie County Commissioners
Special Meeting Minutes
March 31, 2020

406 C Miller Dr.
Wamego KS
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District 1 – Deloyce McKee

District 2 – Dennis Weixelman

District 3 – Greg Riat

10:00 A.M. Commissioner Weixelman motion to call the meeting to order, Commissioner Riat seconded, carried 2-0.

Attendee Name	Title
Dennis Weixelman	County Commissioner, Vice Chair
Deloyce McKee	Chair Commissioner, Chair (via zoom)
Greg Riat	County Commissioner, Member (via zoom)
Nancy McCarter	County Clerk (via zoom)
Chad Kinsley	County Administrator
Cody Liming	Assistant Emergency Service Director
Crystal Malchose	HR Director
Jared Barnes	Fire Supervisor
Alex Kinderknecht	Assistant Fire Supervisor
Shane Jager	Sheriff (via zoom)
Hal Bumgarner	EMS Director
Lisa Kenworthy	Health Director (via zoom)
Jennifer Merrow	EMGT Director
Dr. Dane Ditto	Doctor (via zoom)

Health: Lisa Kenworthy reported the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) confirmed the second case of COVID-19 in Pottawatomie County. The patient is a 71-year-old female and a resident of Wamego. Her travel history is being researched at this time. She is currently at Via Christi hospital in Manhattan.

Emergency Management: Jennifer Merrow reported the COVID-19 death total in the United States was 575 as of yesterday. The Governor will be holding a 2:00 p.m. press conference daily. Testing for the virus is being completed 30% by the State labs and 70% by private labs. The spring turkey hunters will have some restrictions this year. Statewide Kansas is doing well.

Sheriff: Shane Jager reported his department is being pro-active and at this time had nothing to report.

Fire: Jared Barnes reported his department is continuing to be careful and is currently responding to grass fires.

Emergency Services: Hal Bumgarner reported his department is taking caution and doubling up on gloves and requesting other services take a stage only approach.

Public Information Officer: Crystal Malchose reported she was continuing work on news releases.

Administration: Chad Kinsley requested clarification on if the commissioners wanted to continue daily meetings at this location: 406 C Miller Drive. Dr. Dane Ditto (via Zoom) commented that this is a

community spread virus and not just respiratory problems and the EMS crew needs protected. Commissioners agreed to continue meeting via Zoom daily.

Human Resources: Crystal Malchose requested direction for the next pay cycle. If the commissioners wanted to continue with the way the offices have be operating. Commissioner Weixelman moved to move forward with the current schedule for the next two weeks. Commissioners McKee requested amending his motion to say until further notice. Commissioner Weixelman agreed to amend his motion to continue with the current schedule until further notice. Commissioner McKee seconded the motion as amended. Motion carried 3-0.

6.0 Adjournment: Vice Chair declared meeting adjured at 10:27 a.m.

Chair, Deloyce McKee

Vice Chair, Dennis Weixelman

Member, Greg Riat

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Attest:

County Clerk, Nancy McCarter