



Board of Pottawatomie County Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 6, 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 8:30 a.m.
Scott Campbell	Buildings & Grounds Supervisor	Present 8:30 a.m.
John Watt	County Counselor	Present 8:30 a.m.
Tim Eisenbarth	Noxious Weed Director	Present 9:30 a.m.
Heather Gladbach	Finance Officer	Present 9:00 a.m.
Gregg Webster	Zoning Administrator	Present 10:00 a.m.

2.0 ROUTINE ITEMS:

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

2.2 Riat moved to approve March 30, 2020 minutes and March 31 - April 1, 2, 2020 special meetings minutes. Weixelman seconded, carried 3-0.

3.0 CONSENT ITEMS:

3.1 Tax Correction: JACQ0001 St George Twp 131.30, 132.36, & 120.80

3.2 Ledger Transactions dated 4/3/2020 totaling \$297,914.23

Commissioners will act on later in the meeting.

4.0 Comments from the Public: none

5.0 DEPARTMENT UPDATES & ACTION ITEMS

5.1 Commission:

Commissioner Riat reported he had taken a few phone calls concerning roads.

Commissioner Weixelman briefed on the daily meetings. Commissioner McKee briefed on the Zoom call with the White House and if any businesses are in need of loans they need to call Jack Alston or visit with their bankers.

5.2 Administration: Chad Kinsley requested direction on the landscaping for the Green Valley Emergency Medical Services Station. Dustin Newman and Scott Campbell reported the original agreement only included seeding and not landscaping. They presented an estimate/proposal from Stone Water Hardscape & Irrigation for \$27,827.04. They also asked for directions on the installation of flagpole(s). Commissioner Weixelman said he wanted something in writing that if the seeding does

not take, the company would re-seed. Commissioners directed staff to get pricing on three flagpoles and one pole that could handle three flags. Commissioner Riat moved to go ahead with Stone Water and directed staff to work on flagpole(s) estimates. Newman and Eisenbarth agreed to work together on the flagpole(s). Commissioner McKee seconded, carried 3-0.

9:00 a.m. Public Hearing

McKee opened the hearing for Heritage Hills Unit 2 sanitary sewer. Heather Gladbach outlined the assessments for the 24 lots, estimate of \$324,305.00 with \$13,512.71 per lot. McKee requested discussion from the floor once, twice and three times; with none, the hearing closed at 9:03 a.m.

Resolution: Commissioner McKee moved to adopt Resolution 2020-19 for the creation of Heritage Hills Unit 2 sewer. Commissioner Weixelman seconded, carried 3-0. *(Document signed)*

9:05 a.m. Public Hearing

McKee opened the hearing for Heritage Hills Unit 2 streets. Heather Gladbach outlined the assessments for the 26 lots; the developer is being responsible for two of the lots, estimate of \$1,070,522 with \$41,173.92 per lot. McKee requested discussion from the floor once, twice and three times; with none, the hearing closed at 9:07 a.m.

Resolution: Commissioner Weixelman moved to adopt Resolution 2020-20 for the creation of Heritage Hills Unit 2 streets. Commissioner Riat seconded, carried 3-0. *(Document signed)*

9:10 a.m. Public Hearing

McKee opened the hearing for Heritage Hills Unit 2 water. Heather Gladbach outlined the assessments for the 24 lots, estimate of \$257,579 with \$10,732.46 per lot. McKee requested discussion from the floor once, twice and three times; with none, the hearing closed at 9:14 a.m.

Resolution: Commissioner McKee moved to adopt Resolution 2020-21 for the creation of Heritage Hills Unit 2 water. Commissioner Weixelman seconded, carried 3-0. *(Document signed)*

Gladbach reported on April 20, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. she would like to set a hearing to annex Heritage Hills Unit 2 into Blue Township Sewer District. Commission agreed to the date and time.

9:15 a.m. Public Hearing

McKee opened the hearing for Heritage Heights Unit 2 Street Paving Project. Heather Gladbach outlined the project; it is west of Wamego, the cost was determined according to buildable lots, causing it to be 22 shares. The bond will be for 10 years for an estimate of \$333,730 with \$15,169.55 per share. The petitioners voted 17 yes and 5 no causing a 77.27% in favor. This project has been in the works for a couple of years and the commissioners had approved a 6 inch depth asphalt road. Chair requested discussion from the floor. Brent Price (via Zoom) informed commissioners the depth that was approved for the asphalt at that time was what was being done at the time, most roads where at 5 to 5 ½ inch of asphalt. Deb Lind (via Zoom) questioned what would happen to the special assessments if they were annexed in the City of Wamego. Commissioner Weixelman said he would check with the City but they would probably accept the street as is, they just annex some of Sixth Street. Chair called for comments twice and a third time with none the hearing was closed. Commissioner Weixelman moved to adopt Resolution 2020-22 creating an improvement district for Heritage Heights, based on the percentage of people wanting this, as is has been a two-year process. Commissioner McKee seconded, carried 3-0. *(Document signed)*

Heather Gladbach presented a resolution to establish a fund within the treasury for storm-water detention structures in accordance with Resolution 2020-17. Commissioner McKee moved to adopt Resolution 2020-23 to establish the fund as requested. Commissioner Weixelman seconded, carried 3-0. *(Document signed)*

5.3 Noxious Weed: Eisenbarth presented a March update from his department briefing on chemical sales, recycling, Carnahan Park and requested the annual cemetery-mowing contract totaling \$11,595.74 with Victor Redding be approved. Commissioner Weixelman moved to authorize the chair to sign the contract as presented. Commissioner McKee seconded. Motion carried 3-0. *(Document signed)*

Commissioner directed Eisenbarth with check with Mr. Redding on the lawn care for the Green Valley EMS Station.

5.4 Zoning: Gregg Webster presented a plat map for Heritage Height Subdivision for approval. Commissioner McKee moved to approve as presented. Commissioner Riat seconded, carried 3-0. *(Document signed)*

Gregg Webster presented a re-plat for Griffin Subdivision/ Worden Estates Unit 2 creating one new lot owned by the same person with a driveway travel easement. Commissioner Weixelman moved to approve the request to re-plat. Commissioner Riat seconded, carried 3-0. *(Document signed)*

Unfinished Business 3.0 CONSENT ITEMS: HOLD

3.1 Tax Correction: JACQ0001 St George Twp 131.30, 132.36, & 120.80

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Commissioner Weixelman moved to approve consent item. Commissioner Riat seconded, carried 3-0. *(Documents signed)*

Belvue Bridge Update: Wabaunsee County joined via Zoom, in attendance was Joel Fager, chair, Rodney Allen, commissioner, James Suber, commissioner, Jennifer Savage, county clerk, Timothy Liesmann, county attorney, Thayne Bush, public works and Steve Holz, resident. Peter Clark said they would like to look for a long-term solution to the Bridge. Clark said he had put together a request for qualifications (RFQ) for structural engineering service for the bridge; the cost estimate for such a request could be between 50 and 75 thousand. Once options are in hand then look at the next step and explore the cost share. Liesmann said he was working on updating the 2017 study done by Gregory Newmark and submitting a 2020 Build Grant application, expecting to get the grant in place this year. The max of the grant is 25 million, it could be 90% or 100% funding. However, new information for replacement the bridge and bringing down the old one is about 15.3 million. Steve Holz questioned the steel report. Liesmann said the engineering study might still help in the future if the build grant were not successful. Fager agreed the study needs to be done and it is a good move. Suber said we need to new bridge to support the future and modern equipment. McKee asked, if the study could be paid for with the grant. Liesmann did not think there would be enough time to include it, but it could help in the future. The grant Liesmann developed is a construction grant but it could be an option to consider a planning grant. Wabaunsee county commissioners agreed the study would be good, but the cost share needs to be considered. Suber offered an 83/17% split based on current valuations and populations of each county. Commissioner Weixelman added if we do not do anything we would need to baracade the bridge, so think about asphalt/patches. Weixelman would like

Wabaunsee County to consider a camera to help control the traffic/weight over the bridge; maybe check with their sheriff. Commissioner Riat moved to go with the RFQ at an 83/17% cost share and for Wabaunsee County to continue with the build grant application. Commissioner Weixelman seconded. Carried 2-0 with McKee abstaining.

General Discussion: Peter Clark and Commissioners discussed the bid dates for the Green Valley and HWY 24 Intersection and Crown C & HWY 24 Projects.

Cody Liming informed commissioners a shipment of gloves and other supplies has been received at the Emergency Medical Services Building.

6.0 Adjournment: Chair declared meeting adjured at 11:44 a.m.

Chair, Deloyce McKee

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Vice Chair, Dennis Weixelman

Attest:

County Clerk, Nancy McCarter

Member, Greg Riat