



Board of Pottawatomie County Commissioners
Special Meeting
April 14, 2020

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Wamego KS
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District 1 – Deloyce McKee

District 2 – Dennis Weixelman

District 3 – Greg Riat

10:00 A.M. Flag Salute

Attendee Name	Title
Dennis Weixelman	County Commissioner, Vice Chair
Greg Riat	County Commissioner, Member (via zoom)
Deloyce McKee	County Commissioner, Chair (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 (via zoom)
John Watt	County Counselor (via zoom)
Shane Jager	Sheriff
Hal Bumgarner	EMS Director
Lisa Kenworthy	Health Director
Jennifer Merrow	EMGT Director
Doug Adams	Under Sheriff

Commissioner Weixelman motioned to call the meeting to order. Commissioner McKee seconded, carried 3-0.

Emergency Management: Jennifer Merrow briefed on same five recovering cases in the County, four pending tests and 88 tests total have been taken. State wide as of today, 1,376 cases with 62 deaths; these numbers are updated daily at 11:00 a.m. Merrow directed to only order gloves and face mask as needed. Dental Offices are being contacted about helping with 3D printing to begin making the plastic swabs to assist with further testing in the state of Kansas. Working with schools to obtain information on serving meals. Emergency Medical Services have units dedicated for COVID-19 transports only.

Sheriff: Shane Jager reported they are assisting via Facebook to reach out for any request for food needs.

Public Information Officer: Malchose reported receiving positive comments

Fire: no updates

Hospitals: Jennifer reported Onaga and Wamego Hospitals looking for alternative care facility if quarantine if needed in the future.

Commissioner McKee inquired about the two positive cases from Dillon’s, as they were infected persons working in Pottawatomie County. The Health Department will follow up on it.

Jennifer Merrow said she had a 2:00 p.m. briefing today with the State and 5:00 p.m. with all Emergency Managements.

Health: Lisa Kenworthy reported she had 4,000 expired masks. The CDC has tested different models of masks, and had approved some of them to be used beyond the shelf life. The County Counselor has reviewed and approved a document stating the County does not assume liability if person(s) accept the masks she has on hand knowing that they are expired.

Emergency Services: Hal Bumgarner reported Dr. Ditto has not seen an increase in patients, but they still need to be working as if all cases are possibly active COVID-19.

Fire: Jared Barnes reported they are still busy with seasonal fires.

Sheriff: Jager reported they have one person in quarantine, and have made one grocery delivery.

HR: Crystal Malchose reported on the Family First Coronavirus Recovering Act (FFCRA) and employees may be eligible for emergency paid sick leave.

Sheriff: Shane Jager reported the finger printing is open to nurses and they are waiving the \$10.00 fee.

Administration: Nothing new to update.

Commission: Weixelman questioned the number of prisoners. Jager reported they have 12 in house, they have a negative pressure room still available if needed, and they are monitoring temperatures of staff and prisoners. Commissioner McKee asked if Jager had any information concerning the Governors release of prisoners. He had no details.

Commissioner Weixelman moved to adjourn at 10:22 a.m. Commissioner McKee seconded, carried 3-0.

Chair, Deloyce McKee

Vice Chair, Dennis Weixelman

Member, Greg Riat

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Attest:

County Clerk, Nancy McCarter