



Board of Pottawatomie County Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 17, 2019

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 – Travis Altenhofen

1.0 8:30 AM CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING WITH FLAG SALUTE

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Travis Altenhofen	County Commissioner (Chair)	Present 8:30 a.m.
Dennis Weixelman	County Commissioner (Vice Chair)	Present 8:30 a.m.
Deloyce McKee	County Commissioner (Member)	Present 8:30 a.m.
Nancy McCarter	County Clerk	Present 8:30 a.m.
Robert Reece	County Administrator	Present 8:30 a.m.
John Watt	County Counselor	Present 8:30 a.m.
Chad Kinsley	Management Assistant-Operations	Present 8:30 a.m.
Steve Minton	Resident	Present 8:30 a.m.
Dorothy Campbell	Resident	Present 8:30 a.m.
Gabe Roberts	Rock Creek Student	Present 8:30 a.m.
Mark Portell	Wamego Times	Present 8:30 a.m.
Ben Shoenberger	Fair Board	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.
Peter Clark	Public Works Director	Present 8:30 a.m.
Troy Marple	Fair Board	Present 8:30 a.m.
Lisa Wright	County Treasurer	Present 8:35 a.m.
Lois Schlegel	County Appraiser	Present 8:35 a.m.
Hal Bumgarner	EMS Director	Present 8:50 a.m.
Jared Barnes	Fire Supervisor	Present 9:00 a.m.
Ross Hill	Wamego Senior Center	Present 9:05 a.m.
Deanne Ebert Pierson	Resident	Present 9:40 a.m.
Tim Liesmann	Wabaunsee County Attorney	Present 9:55 a.m.
Thayne Bush	Wabaunsee County Road & Bridge Supervisor	Present 9:55 a.m.
Brady Hedstrom	BG Consultants	Present 10:00 a.m.
Doyle Pearl	JB Pearl	Present 10:00 a.m.
Steven Holz	Ag Producer	Present 10:35 a.m.
Janell R. Hurla	Resident	Present 10:35 a.m.

2.0 ROUTINE ITEMS:

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

2.2 Weixelman moved to approve June 10, 2019 minutes. McKee seconded, carried 3-0.

3.0 CONSENT ITEMS:

3.1 **Ledger Transactions:** totaling \$1,872,474.66 dated 6/14/19

3.2 Review St Marys Township Annual Reports

McKee moved to approve consent item 3.2. Weixelman seconded, carried 3-0.

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS: none

5.0 DEPARTMENT UPDATES & ACTION ITEMS:

5.1 Commission:

5.1a Meeting Updates: none reported

5.1b Upcoming Meeting: KMAN June 25, Work Force, Chamber, Flint Hills Regional and the City County County meeting has been canceled.

5.2 Administration: Robert Reece reported his office continues to work on the County Budget and there likely will not be any bond issues this year.

5.3 Counselor: John Watt presented a resolution for consideration; providing tax relief for the homestead of Carson and Eimi Clark, destroyed by fire. Commissioner Altenhofen moved to adopt Resolution 2019-46 ordering relief from property taxes. Commission McKee seconded, carried 3-0. *(Document signed)*

Watt requested an executive session on July 1, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. under attorney-client privilege exception with David Cooper concerning a KCAMP matter.

Watt reminded commissioners during next week's commission meeting they would be reviewing a resolution regarding building codes.

5.4 Attorney: Sherri Schuck and Andrea Karnes provided case filings numbers, jury trial schedule and immediate intervention program for juvenile offenders update. Schuck informed commissioners with the Stampede out of the County, they would see an impact in the diversion program. Karnes briefed commission on software programs that would interface with the court.

5.5 Fair Board: Ben Shoenberger and Troy Marple submitted 2020 Fair Association funding request keeping it level at \$85,000. Marple reported the Fair Board is moving forward with a building project and fundraising has been started and hoped the Board of County Commissioners would support their efforts in improving the fair grounds. The goal is to begin Phase 1 following the 2019 Fair and the entire project completed for the 2022 Fair.

5.6 Appraiser: Lois Schlegel briefed commission on the Kansas County Appraiser Association meeting she attended highlighting the dark store theory topic, saying all taxpayers need to be pro-active. Schlegel continued with a review of end of year real estate and personal property values as certified to the county clerk, May 2019 sales and other office activities.

5.7 Fire: Jared Barnes briefed on year to date response calls, Flint Hills acreage burned and Havensville Fire Station and there will be an open house on June 29, 2019 from 2 to 4 p.m.

5.7 Emergency Medical Services: Hal Bumgarner reported on total runs from Oct. to April and gave an outline of the back-up coverage operation. They hosted a Kansas Initiative for Stroke Survival (KISS) training to help improve access to acute stroke treatments. Bumgarner presented May 2019 billing report showing monthly as well as year to date numbers.

5.8 Wamego Senior Center: Ross Hill presented a proposed kitchen project for the Wamego Senior Center and updated information concerning tree trimming and removal. Commissioners will discuss during budget work session.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS:

6.1 Presentation Belvue Bridge: Brady Hedstrom and Deanne Pierson presented a proposal to apply for a Better Utilizing Infrastructure Leveraging Development (BUILD), the total cost for writing the grant would be \$14,980. Ms. Pierson would do the narrative, BG Consulting would do the technical, proofreading would be done by KU and then it would be submitted to Robert Reece on July 12, 2019. The grant is due by July 15, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. Commissioner Weixelman asked if it was doable, his personal opinion if we can make the deadline we should

attempt, but Weixelman stated he would have to abstain from voting as he was related to Ms. Pierson. Mr. Pearl said if the counties could come together then by all means go for it. Ms. Hurla pleaded please give them a chance. Commissioner McKee moved to go ahead with the grant. Chair declared motion died for lack of second. Commissioner Altenhofen moved to direct Peter Clark and Robert Reece, after having received a resolution from Wabaunsee County to put together a request for qualifications for a BUILD Grant for 2020. Chair declared motion died for lack of second.

Continued: 3.0 CONSENT ITEMS

3.1 Ledger Transactions: totaling \$1,872,474.66 dated 6/14/19

Commissioner McKee moved to approve consent item 3.1. Commissioner Weixelman seconded, carried 3-0. *(Document signed)*

7.0 Adjournment: Chair declared meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

Chair, Travis Altenhofen

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Vice Chair, Dennis Weixelman

Attest:

County Clerk, Nancy McCarter

Member, Deloyce McKee