

The Woodson County Commissioners convened in a regular business session at the Ambulance Meeting Room on January 30th, 2024, with Chairman Justin Clark, Vice-Chairman Kevin Stuber, Member Jerry Sedlacek, County Attorney Zelda Schlotterbeck, and Certified County Clerk Tesla Bayles.

The meeting commenced with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sedlacek made the motion to approve the agenda for this week's meeting. Stuber seconded it; motion passed.

Sedlacek made the motion to approve the minutes from last week's meeting. Stuber seconded it; motion passed.

Sheriff Jeff McCullough updated the board on the recent installation of panic buttons, ensuring their instantaneous functionality and alert system to the radio.

Attorney Schlotterbeck will review the mortarium solution.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Timothy Dimick informed the board of his defensive driving training scheduled for tomorrow morning. Dimick sought permission to implement 10-hour shifts early, addressing the need for dry roads before grading. Discussion ensued on culvert installations, with Dimick proposing a change in policy requiring payment before installation, which was tabled for future consideration. Sedlacek conveyed citizen complaints about road conditions, specifically mentioning issues at 70th and Kanza.

The meeting shifted focus to the first responders, discussing call-out efficiency and safety. Commissioner Stuber emphasized the need for collaboration and an end to animosity. Various responders shared insights, with a request for dispatch protocols review and potential policy changes. The discussion covered separating dispatch from the Sheriff's Office, which was deemed costly.

The Solid Waste Department presented quotes for a 2008 Mack truck, prompting Clark's request for further inspection before purchase. Stuber made the motion to pay for tire disposal in cash or check in the exact amount to be taken to the courthouse at the end of every day. Clark seconded it, Sedlacek making it unanimous. Stuber made the motion to sign the shingle disposal policy. Sedlacek seconded it, with Clark making it unanimous.

Chamber of Commerce Director Chari Bauman presented a tourism request. Stuber made the motion to approve the travel guide at \$80 per listing for a total \$400 for 2025 listing taken out of tourism. Sedlacek seconded, Clark making it unanimous. Bauman introduced Amanda Dewitt to take her place as Executive Director and Chari will be director of media and tourism.

Treasurer Michelle Zimmerman presented reports, including funds and investments. Clark made the motion to sign the 2023 4th quarter funds report by department. Stuber seconded it, Sedlacek making it unanimous. Sedlacek made the motion to sign the 2023-year end fund report. Stuber seconded it, with Stuber making it unanimous. Clark made the motion to approve and sign to the 4th quarter Investment of Idle Funds. Stuber seconded it, Sedlacek making it unanimous. Sedlacek made the motion to transfer year end interest to general for \$240,039.25. Stuber seconded it; Clark making it unanimous. Sedlacek made the motion to transfer year end balance of moneys in the MV Operating Fund to the County General Fund in compliance with K.S.A. 8-145 for \$25,773.21. Clark seconded it, Stuber making it unanimous.

Handbook changes were approved, and an ARPA update was discussed, leading to motions on server replacement and the Piqua sewer project. Stuber made the motion to accept the bid from Advantage Computers to replace server in the amount of \$24,524 to be taken out of LATCF. Sedlacek seconded it, Clark making it unanimous.

Clark made the motion to sign the wage sheet for Brooke Kuron full time paramedic. Stuber seconded it, Sedlacek making it unanimous.

Clark made the motion to approve and allow the chair sign the neighborhood revitalization plan for Carolyn Starkey, Bryson Birk, Dirk & Clara Sorenson, Ronald Solomon and T & F Land Holding, LLC. Stuber seconded it; Sedlacek making it unanimous.

Clark made the motion to reappoint Shelia Lampe as the non-lawyer representative. Sedlacek seconded it, Stuber making it unanimous.

Stuber motioned to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect employee confidentiality; to discuss employee job performance for 14 minutes with the Commissioners beginning at 11:43 a.m. to reconvene in the commission room at 12:00 a.m. Sedlacek seconded it; Clark making it unanimous.

Clark made the motion to sign vouchers in the amount of \$79,618.55 Stuber seconded it, with Sedlacek making it unanimous.

Clark declared adjournment at 12:18 p.m.

Justin Clark, Chairman

Attest: _____
Tesla Bayles, Woodson Certified County Clerk

Kevin Stuber, Vice-Chairman

Jerry Sedlacek, Member