

The Board of Woodson County Commissioners met in a regular business session on March 30th, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman Monty Barnett, Vice-Chairman Wayne Faulkner, Member Justin Clark, County Attorney Zeldia Schlotterbeck, and County Clerk Tesla Bayles.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Clark made the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Faulkner second it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

Clark made the motion to approve March 23rd minutes as printed. Faulkner second it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

Sheriff McCullough presented the weekly sheriff activity log to the board. It was discussed that the Sheriff impound lot will not be able to be put at the West end of the new Noxious Weed building due to the railroad owning property connecting to the lot. McCullough is going to contact the railroad and ask to purchase a small plot.

Public Works Supervisor Dane Onnen presented bids for a chip and seal project for Night Hawk and Willow Rd. The discussion was tabled until next week. The road and bridge crew will be reconstructing 1/4th of a mile of fencing on Deer Rd that was removed in the process of constructing a bridge.

A John Deer Lawn mower previously used at the Heritage Hills Apartments will be added to the sealed bid auction to be opened during the April 20th Commissioners Meeting.

Ambulance Director Cari Cavender gave a report on the progress made from the first responders meeting. The Sheriff's Office will be able to respond to calls if he has officers available. Toronto Fire Department will be added to the active 911 calls. Clark moved to accept Tina Evenson to be a full-time paramedic. Faulkner second it, with Barnett making it unanimous.

Craig Vanwey from the Kansas Chamber of Commerce spoke to the board about the neighborhood revitalization program. The main goal of this program is to help increase development in the county. A county wide tax rebate program with a 5-year tax plan would be optimal for our county.

Shilo Eggers came to the board to voice her concerns from an incident taking place March 22nd concerning the Ambulance and Sheriff's Department. The Board of Commissioners explained a protocol is being formed and an additional full-time paramedic has been added to the Ambulance Department to insure there will be enough staff to operate the ambulance service efficiently.

Director of the Chamber of Commerce Marlana Smith requested the use of the Courthouse lawn for Yates Center days. The board approved.

Recessed for a 5-minute break.

Faulkner made the motion to approve the March 30th, 2021 handbook. Clark second it, with Barnett making unanimous.

Barnett made the motion to sign the quit claim deed for Heritage Hills Apartments at 600 E Mary st., Yates Center, KS 66783. Faulkner second it, with Barnett making it unanimous.


Barnett made the motion to adjourn at 11:46. Faulkner second it, with Clark making it unanimous.

Attest:


Tesla Bayles, County Clerk


Monty Barnett, Chairman


Wayne Faulkner, Vice-Chairman


Justin Clark, Member