

The Board of Woodson County Commissioners met in a regular business session on March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023 with Chairman Wayne Faulkner, Vice-Chairman Jerry Sedlacek, Member Justin Clark, County Attorney Zelda Schlotterbeck and County Clerk Tesla Bayles.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Clark made the motion to approve the agenda. Sedlacek seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous.

Clark made the motion to approve the minutes from March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Sedlacek seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Timothy Dimick informed the board that 40<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> road near violet, the curbs have been cut. Faulkner cautioned Tim to not allow gravel to get pushed into ditch before it gets graded. Sedlacek stated that the road near his house needs rock because grading did not fix the issue. A complaint was made about 150<sup>th</sup> and 160<sup>th</sup> Road. Dimick is also focusing on school bus routes. A citizen requested gravel on Hereford Rd that is a low maintenance road. The board discussed putting less gravel and half as wide, no decision was made. Gravel was added to 130<sup>th</sup> and Jay Road. Pringles has no rock available to purchase currently. The mechanic shop has a water leak underneath the building. The crew put in a new hydrant and fixed the issue. Toronto grader is still awaiting a part. Dimick discussed the trade in for a Chase County grader. No motion was made. Dimick is planning to purchase a new grader later this year. Different types of mowers and tractors were discussed. Sedlacek requested that a speed limit sign be put up near his house to change the speed limit. A resolution will need to be created.

EMS Director Cari Cavender presented the weekly Ambulance run log. Cavender is not hiring to fill a vacant position currently. Cavender stated she has had some pretty crazy calls and praised the sheriff's Office for all of their help. The EMS back up generator comes on every Monday for a test.

Sheriff Jeff McCullough presented the weekly activity stats. The number of total inmates in captivity has decreased. McCullough presented wage sheets. Clark made the motion to approve the wage sheet for Don Vining to move from full time to part-time. Sedlacek seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous. Sedlacek made the motion to approve the wage sheet for Amber Chrisman for full time deputy. Clark seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous. McCullough discussed a call he received stating that a sovereign citizen threatened and elected officials' life. McCullough is conducting an investigation. Replacing the locks on the courthouse with a fob or card instead of using keys was discussed. Different types of security measurers were discussed. McCullough will continue to research the best way to keep the courthouse protected.

Noxious Weed, Solid Waste and Maintenance Supervisor Jarrod McVey came to the board to discuss a quote for tires. Clark made the motion to purchase 2 solid tires for backhoe at \$1,310 apiece. Sedlacek seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous. Clark made the motion to pay for the flat roof on the Courthouse to H&H Roofing for \$5,813.34 to come out of ARPA. Sedlacek seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous. McVey presented wage increase sheets. Tabled. McVey informed the board that a flag pole was damaged on the south sidewalk. A transfer station vehicle hit the flag pole. Policy has been set to only park on the North side of the building to avoid the flag poles. McVey will talk to the legion to purchase a new flag pole. The flag on the roof has been replaced due to wind damage.

CASA/ Hope Unlimited came to the board to ask them to declare April Child Abuse Prevention Month. Clark made the motion to declare April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. Sedlacek Seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous.

Chamber of Commerce Director Chari Bauman has 3 tourism requests. Clark made the motion to approve the Tourism request for the Official Kansas Travel Guide listings for 2024 for \$400. Sedlacek seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous. Clark made the motion to approve the Tourism request for the Woodson County Historical Society SEK Museum Alliance Meeting for \$200. Sedlacek seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous. Sedlacek made the motion to approve the tourism request for the 2023 Bull Bash for \$2,000. Clark seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous. Bauman gave an update on the sign project that work will begin this summer. Yates Center Days 2023 planning is well under way. Progress was shared on the 2023 Travel Guide & Directory.

Jess with K-WORC came to the board to discuss an error on the annual invoice of \$8,153. Clark made the motion to pay K-WORC \$3,995 dollars for a premium adjustment. Sedlacek seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous. The board will set up Road and Bridge and Solid Waste to take safety training classes through K-WORC.

Treasurer Michelle Zimmerman came to the board and presented the January and February Department Reports. The Auditor stated that the jail reimbursement money is going in the wrong account, commissary and e-cigs isn't going into fund 190. We need to develop a plan how to spend the NRP funds. Faulkner made the motion to accept the January Department Reports. Sedlacek seconded it, with Clark making it unanimous. Sedlacek made the motion to accept the February Department Report. Clark seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous.

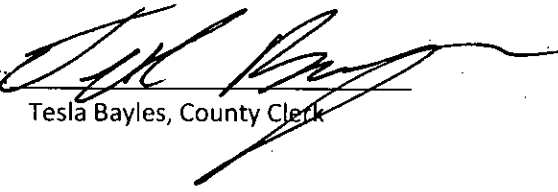
Sedlacek made the motion to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect employee confidentiality; to discuss employee performance for 26 minutes from 11:34 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. with the Commissioners and County Clerk. Clark seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous.

Sedlacek made the motion to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect employee confidentiality; to discuss employee performance for 10 minutes from 12:10 p.m. to 12:20 p.m. with just the Commissioners. Clark seconded it, with Faulkner making it unanimous.

Faulkner made the motion to sign vouchers for \$139,109.35. Sedlacek seconded it, with Clark making it unanimous.

Faulkner declared adjournment at 12:55 p.m.

Attest:

  
Tesla Bayles, County Clerk

  
Wayne Faulkner, Chairman

  
Jerry Sedlacek, Vice-Chairman

  
Justin Clark, Member