

The Board of Logan County Commissioners met on Monday, September 21, 2020. Those present were Commissioners Cameron Edwards, David Hubert and Cody Younkin. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Cameron Edwards.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Younkin and Hubert to approve the agenda with the addition of Sonya Cooksey at 8:50 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Custodian Trish Langley met with the Board to give an update on her department.

Jayne Pfeifer with Logan County Community Foundation joined the meeting briefly to invite the Board to the Strategic Doing Meeting.

Sonya Cooksey representing the Oakley Park Development Committee met with the Board. She explained the project and the plan moving forward. Cooksey stated they have raised over \$52,000.00 and will start writing grants right away. The total project cost is \$800,000.00 and proposed that the Commissioners donate \$15,000.00 to help cover the base for the polls of the tents. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Younkin to donate \$15,000.00 out of the Capital Improvement Fund to the Oakley Park Development project to use at their discretion. Motion carried 3-0.

Larry Eberle, Jayne Pearce and Jenn Turner with the Western Vistas Historic Byway met with the Board to share what they do as an organization and how they try to positively impact Scott, Logan and Wallace Counties. The organization serves as representatives to the State Department of Tourism in managing and promoting the Byway with new signs and kiosks. The group said with the opening of Little Jerusalem Badlands State Park, they have seen over 30,000 visitors this year and brings a perfect place to explore the outdoors in northwest Kansas. The group said they are reaching out the three counties asking for financial support of \$5,000.00 and wanting to be included in the yearly budget cycle. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Younkin to give \$5,000.00 to Western Vistas Historic Byway for 2020 and consider adding it to next year's budget. Motion carried 3-0.

Karol Roadhouse with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas met with the Board by phone to discuss the different plans they offer.

Paul Lorenzen and Nate Hales from the Road Department met with the Board to discuss purchasing a Sand Screener. They found a used Sand Screener from Berry Tractor for \$103,000.00 that is similar to their current one. Van Keppel also has a new Astec 271K Sand Screener for \$191,368.00. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Younkin and Hubert to purchase the Sand Screener for \$103,000.00 from Berry Tractor out of the Equipment Reserve Fund. Motion carried 3-0. Discussion was held regarding crack sealing the 4-H building parking lot. It was the consensus of the Board to go ahead and get the sealing done. Bids were then reviewed to purchase a new pickup as follows: Tubbs & Sons Ford Sales for a 2021 Ford F150 4x4 for \$29,156.84 and Colby Dodge Chrysler Jeep for a 2021 Dodge Tradesman 1500 4x4 for \$24,964.00. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Younkin to purchase the 2021 Dodge Tradesman for Colby Dodge Chrysler Jeep for \$24,964.00. Motion carried 3-0. It was the consensus of the Board to advertise the 2004 Chevy 4x4 and 2008 GMC Z71 2500 and take sealed bids. Lorenzen then asked to purchase a shop press for the shop. They currently do not have one and he found one that would work for around \$1,000.00. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Younkin to allow the purchase. Motion carried 3-0. At 10:45 a.m. it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Younkin to go into executive session for five minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion carried 3-0. Those present in the session were Commissioners Hubert, Younkin, Edwards, Lorenzen and County Clerk Crystal Rucker. The Board returned to open meeting at 10:50 a.m. with no action taken.

The minutes from the September 8 and 11, 2020 meetings were reviewed. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Younkin to approve both sets of minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Younkin and Hubert to appoint Dana Charles to the NWLEPG (Northwest Local Environmental Protection Group) Board of Directors and Angie Kahle as the alternate to represent the County. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board reviewed the Warrant Register dated September 10, 2020 as follows: General \$62,172.61; County Health \$2,784.77; Road & Bridge \$18,156.64; Noxious Weed \$12,201.67; Fire \$156.24; EMS \$652.09; Drug Forfeiture \$5,313.60; Spark Funding \$147,749.66 and Payroll Clearing \$669.62 for a total of \$249,856.90. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Younkin and Hubert respectively to approve the Warrant Register as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Younkin and Hubert to sign the Utility Request and Petition from Industrial Tower West LLC to add four antennas and eight remote radio units to existing tower located 1502 US Hwy 83 in Oakley. Motion carried 3-0.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Younkin and Hubert to sign the Corrected Warranty Deed for the property sold by Russell Springs located on 22-13-35 to Foard & Emily Kemp. Motion carried 3-0.

County Clerk Crystal Rucker shared with the Board her conversation with landowner Larry Knobbe regarding spraying the road right-of-ways.

There being no further business discussed it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Younkin respectively to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 5, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____