

August 12, 2019

The Board of Linn County Commission met in regular session at 9:07 AM in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Linn County Courthouse Annex, Mound City, Kansas. Those present were Rick James, Chair; Mike Page, Vice-Chair; Danny McCullough, Member; David Lamb, County Clerk; and Gary Thompson, County Counselor. Sheriff Filla led the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Fulk opened the meeting with prayer.

Mike Page moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting as printed. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Commission reviewed the YTD Park Report for July 2019.

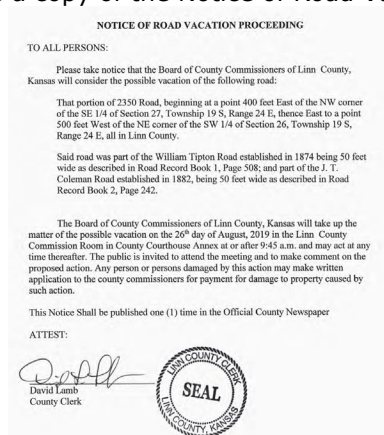
Mike Page moved to approve the following pays/special pays, totaling \$332,296.76: General, \$214,241.85; Appraiser, \$534.07; Rural Fire, \$7,181.06; Road and Bridge, \$104,734.37; Law Enforcement Trust, \$1,161.90; 911 Telephone Tax, \$53.44; County Health Dept., \$1,108.16; Elderly, \$2,097.67; Spec. Park & Recreation, \$950.00; and Sewer Dist. #1, \$234.24. Rick James seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Sheriff reported the current prisoner count. There are currently 17 prisoners in house and 20 farmed out to other Counties.

Dee Horttor asked to hire Jeremy Baker as a Firefighter for Station 950 (La Cygne). Rick James moved to hire Jeremy Baker as a Probationary Firefighter for Station 950. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Jeff Boyd, AMR, reported on their calls for the past month and their activities for the past week.

Gary Thompson presented a notice concerning the closing of a portion of 2350 Road near Linn Valley. Mike Page moved to schedule the hearing on the road closing and publish the Notice of Hearing in the newspaper. Rick James seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Following is a copy of the Notice of Road Vacation Proceeding:



Jackie Messer asked the Commission to rescind last week's motion hiring John Peek due to Messer's error and to hire Ronald Hill instead. Rick James moved to rescind the job offer to John Peek and to hire Ronald Hill as a Temporary Employee for mowing in the Road & Bridge Dept. at a wage of \$10.2353 per hour (Range 3, Step J). Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Messer also asked to increase Kacey Jensen to \$14.9196 per hour (Range 8, Step I) due to his completion of requirements for the Equipment Operator II position. Mike Page moved to increase Jensen's salary as requested. Rick James seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

At 9:22 AM the Commission opened bids for demolition of the 2 houses on Spruce St. Bids received were: Lynn Underwood, 331 Spruce, \$4,930.00 with dump fees or \$2,550.00 without dump fees; Lynn Underwood, 327 Spruce, \$3,575.00 with dump fees or \$1,675.00 without dump fees; and Chad Page, \$5,000.00 per house without dump fees. Jackie Messer will qualify the bids and make a recommendation to the Commission.

Messer then discussed purchasing a used backhoe for the County Park. No action was taken by the Commission on this item.

Pam Cannon discussed an area of 300 Road on the west side of the County that has been vacated and suggested vacating an additional part of the road. The Commission agreed to publish a Notice of Road Vacation for that portion of 300 Road.

At 9:52 AM Rick James moved to recess from the Board of Commission meeting into executive session for 40 minutes for legal advice from the County Counselor which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, pursuant to the consultation with attorney exception listed in K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2), concerning obtaining legal advice from the County Counselor. The open meeting will resume in the Commission Room at 10:32 AM. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The Commission, Clerk, Counselor, and Jackie Messer attended the executive session.

At 10:32 AM the executive session ended. No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

At 10:33 AM Rick James moved to recess from the Board of Commission meeting into executive session for 15 minutes for legal advice from the County Counselor which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, pursuant to the consultation with attorney exception listed in K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2), concerning obtaining legal advice from the County Counselor; and then recess until 11:00 AM. The open meeting will resume in the Commission Room at 11:00 AM. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0. The Commission, Clerk, and Counselor attended the executive session.

At 10:48 AM the executive session ended. No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

At 11:00 AM the Commission meeting reconvened.

At 11:00 AM the Chair opened the 2020 Budget Hearing. The Chair asked for public comment, none was given. At 11:01 AM the Chair closed the 2020 Budget Hearing. Mike Page moved to approve the 2020 County and Special Districts Budgets as published. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Mike Page moved to approve the publication of Proposals to Vacate Roads for two portions of 300 Road on the west side of the County. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Following are copies of the Proposals to Vacate Roads:



With nothing further on the agenda Danny McCullough moved to adjourn until 9:00 AM Monday, August 19, 2019. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Attest:

Commission Chair

County Clerk