

July 15, 2019

The Board of Linn County Commission met in regular session at 9:05 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. Gary Thompson opened the meeting with prayer.

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

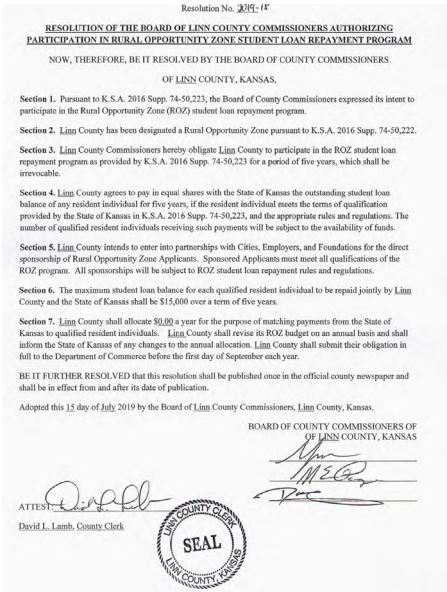
Mike Page moved to authorize the sale of real property in the Pleasanton Industrial Park to Danny J. Hecke and Roxanne J. Hecke, and to allow the Chair to sign the County Deed for the property. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Mike Page moved to approve the following pays/special pays, totaling \$518,341.16: General, \$193,363.20; Appraiser, \$2,337.15; Rural Fire, \$1,066.68; Road and Bridge, \$185,208.92; Special Machinery, \$135,500.00; 911 Telephone Tax, \$55.86; County Health Dept., \$498.07; and Elderly, \$311.28. Rick James seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Mike Page moved to approve a Special Event Cereal Malt Beverage License, License #2019-5, for the Linn County Shrine Club, Tommy Tuggle, Secretary & Treasurer, located at 8510 Kansas 7 Highway, Mound City, KS 66056; for August 9th & 10th during the Linn County Fair and Rodeo. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Mike Page moved to approve a Work for Hire Agreement with Jessica Hightower for Economic Development services. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Jessica Hightower asked the Commission to approve continuing the Rural Opportunity Zone program. Rick James moved to adopt Resolution #2019-18, continuing the ROZ Program. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Following is a copy of Resolution #2019-18:



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

Doug Barlet presented information on this week’s weather. Barlet then asked to hire Kevin Richardson as a Probationary Firefighter for Station 910 (Mound City), and Tanner Feris as a Probationary Firefighter for Station 940 (Parker). Danny McCullough moved to hire Richardson and Feris as requested. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Treasurer Janet Kleweno presented her Quarterly Interest Report and Delinquent Tax Report. 2019 2nd Quarter Interest was \$41,698.79. Delinquent Real Estate Tax as of June 30, 2019 is \$815,609.22. Delinquent Personal Property Tax as of June 30, 2019 is \$38,019.04. Kleweno also discussed the reason for the salary increase in her 2020 Budget Request.

Doug Barlet presented the following bids for gloves and for Compressor/Cascade Fill Stations: Glove Bids: Jerry Ingrahm Fire & Rescue, \$7,979.76; Weis Fire & Safety Equipment, \$8,180.28; Conrad Fire Equipment, \$7,152.60; Ed M. Feld Equipment, \$7,272.00; and Danko Emergency Equipment, \$7,480.00; and Compressor/Fill Stations Bids: Ed M. Feld Equipment, Base Bid, \$99,883.00, 4 Cylinder Bid, \$106,890.00; Weis Fire & Safety Equipment, Base Bid, \$91,777.77, 4 Cylinder Bid, \$100,184.49; Conrad Fire Equipment, Base Bid, \$118,132.00, 4 Cylinder Bid, \$129,122.00; Danko Emergency Equipment Option 1, Base Bid \$109,052.36, 4 Cylinder Bid, \$118,730.78; Danko Emergency Equipment Option 2, Base Bid, \$114,122.75, 4 Cylinder Bid, \$123,078.49; and Air and Fire Systems, Base Bid, \$91,630.00, 4 Cylinder Bid, \$99,029.00. Barlet will qualify the bids and return with recommendations next week.

Galen Anderson, AMR, reported on their calls for the past month and their activities for the past week and presented a written report of the June calls and response times. Anderson and Louis Aloï also discussed a code that was worked last week and thanked the Sheriff and Fire personnel for their work.

Jackie Messer presented Resolution #2019-19, changing a road name from McKeen Street to McKean Street. Mike Page moved to adopt Resolution #2019-19 as presented. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. 3-0. Following is a copy of Resolution #2019-19:



Jackie Messer then discussed the two houses that need to be demolished. Messer will work on proposals for the demolition and present information next week. Messer also discussed a grant that was approved for \$25,000.00 for Recycle Trailers. Rick James moved to sign the contract with the State of Kansas for 3 Recycle Trailers and to spend \$15,380.00 for our share of the purchase. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Danny McCullough discussed a recent tour that he, Jackie Taylor, and James Brun attended last week at the Johnson County Detention Center. The Commission, Sheriff, and James Brun discussed the drawings for the Justice Center and the changes that have been made to the drawings. Mike Page discussed the process of designing the buildings and where we are in the project at this time.

Andy Mayhugh presented information on variances requested by Shannon Aviation for property at the airport. Rick James moved to approve the following variances as presented: 1) Placement of Holding Tank in south setback of Lot 6 to serve Lot 5, 2) Encroachment of setbacks between 5&6, 6&7, 7&8, and 8&9, 3) Temporary night watchman quarters in Hanger 5, and 4) Approval of private waterline placement. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Doug Barlet asked for approval to spend up to \$7,500.00 for purchasing gloves for the Fire Dept. Rick James moved to approve up to \$7,500.00 for the purchase of Firefighting & Extrication Gloves. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

At 11:29 AM Rick James moved to take a five minute break. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

At 11:37 AM Rick James moved to recess from the Board of Commission meeting into executive session for 30 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 12:07 PM. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The Commission, Clerk, Counselor, and Jackie Messer attended the executive session.

At 12:07 PM the executive session ended. No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

Rick James moved to increase the wages of Matt Ernest by \$0.50 per hour, due to his completion of training and certification. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Clerk and Commission discussed potential cuts from the 2020 Budget Requests and from 2019 Budgets, in order to keep the County under the tax lid. The Clerk informed the Commission that he did receive revised budget requests from Jackie Messer for various Public Works budgets, Doug Barlet for the Rural Fire and Emergency Management budgets, and Lori Simmons for the District Court budget. The Clerk also presented additional suggestions for adjustments to various other budgets. The Commission agreed to allow the Clerk to add a 2% COLA and work with departments on adjustments to their budgets. The Clerk will prepare the State Budget Form and present it to the Commission for publication in two weeks.

With nothing further on the agenda Rick James moved to adjourn until 9:00 AM Monday, July 22, 2019. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Attest:

County Clerk

Commission Chair