

July 22, 2019

The Board of Linn County Commission met in regular session at 9:00 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. David Lamb 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.

The Sheriff reported the current prisoner count. There are currently 17 prisoners in house and 20 farmed out to other Counties. Sheriff Filla also thanked Doug Barlet for his work on the active shooter training.

Jackie Messer asked to hire Taylor Robinson as a Cabin Cleaner for the Park. Rick James moved to hire Taylor Robinson as a Part-Time Cabin Cleaner at the Park at a wage of \$10.2353 per hour (Range 3, Step J). Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Messer reported that KDHE inspected the landfill last week and found no major issues. Messer then presented information for taking bids on the demolition of the two houses on the building site. Mike Page moved to advertise for demolition of the two houses. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Debbie Ballou discussed issues with the road conditions of York Lane. Messer and Gary Thompson will check on the status of the road. Mike Page moved to allow our grader to work on the road one time while we are checking on the road status. Rick James seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Mike Page moved to approve the following pays/special pays, totaling \$426,812.90: General, \$229,531.74; Employee Benefit, \$125,375.86; Appraiser, \$10,507.68; Rural Fire, \$5,890.05; Road and Bridge, \$45,199.68; Law Enforcement Trust, \$416.38; County Health Dept., \$7,165.29; and Elderly, \$2,726.22. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Clerk presented a letter from Joey McLiney to the Commission.

Doug Barlet reported on a meeting he had with the owners of Youth Front Camp last week concerning an event that is planned for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July next year. Barlet also reported that there is a meeting tomorrow with KDEM concerning the Presidential Disaster Proclamation. Barlet then reported that the Fire Board recommends accepting the low bid from Air & Fire Safety for the Cascade Fill Station in the amount of \$99,029.00. Mike Page moved to approve the purchase of the Cascade Fill Stations from Air & Fire Safety in the amount of \$99,029.00. Rick James seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Galen Anderson, AMR, reported on their calls for the past month and their activities for the past week.

At 9:29 AM the Chair asked for public comment. Jeannie McPherson thanked the County for the repaving of County Road 1077. McPherson also asked about spraying of Johnson Grass.

At 9:34 AM Rick James moved to recess from the Board of Commission meeting into executive session for 20 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 9:54 AM. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The Commission, Clerk, and Counselor attended the executive session.

At 9:54 AM the executive session ended. No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

At 9:55 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 10:25 AM. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The Commission, Clerk, and Counselor attended the executive session.

At 10:10 AM Deputy Clerks Amanda Snyder and Cindy Holt entered the executive session.

At 10:25 AM the executive session ended. No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

Cindy Holt and Amanda Snyder presented information on the Leadership Transformation Grant offered by the Kansas Leadership Center. The Commission agreed to apply for the grant.

County Attorney James Brun addressed the Commission stating that the Sutherland sentencing is now set for August 29<sup>th</sup>. Brun then discussed the Commission’s cuts to his 2020 Attorney budget. Brun stated he is saving the County \$720.00 per month for Westlaw by using his access through the Johnson County Law Library. Brun continued discussing the need for a part-time Attorney to help back him up and help get caught up on filing cases. He would like to hire a part-time attorney, under contract, less than 1,000 hours per year. Brun then discussed giving his employees a raise.

With nothing further on the agenda Rick James moved to adjourn until 9:00 AM Monday, July 29, 2019. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Attest:

Commission Chair

County Clerk