

July 8, 2019

The Board of Linn County Commission met in regular session at 9:06 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; Cindy Holt, Deputy County Clerk; and Gary Thompson, County Counselor. Sheriff Filla led the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Fulk opened the meeting with prayer.

Rick James 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 June 2019.

Mike Page moved to approve the Sheriff's Monthly Fee Report for May 2019 in the amount of \$14,717.00 and the Sheriff's Monthly Fee Report for June 2019 in the amount of \$4,251.00. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Rick James moved to approve the following pays/special pays, totaling \$308,933.89: General, \$146,090.21; Employee Benefit, \$67,324.48; Appraiser, \$10,476.49; Rural Fire, \$4,918.84; Road and Bridge, \$65,510.32; Law Enforcement Trust, \$285.31; 911 Telephone Tax, \$1,488.56; County Health Dept., \$8,095.25; Elderly, \$4,667.81; and Sewer Dist. #1, \$76.62. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Sheriff reported the current prisoner count. There are currently 19 prisoners in house and 17 farmed out to other Counties. Filla then explained the need to hire additional staff for the new Judicial Center. Filla discussed how he would need to look for qualified applicants, training them, etc. He explained how this would take some time.

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

Jackie Messer discussed projects in the Public Works Department. Messer then discussed the Hay lease at Solid Waste. He will put it out for bid. Messer asked to hire Matt Neal-Cox as an Equipment Operator I at a wage of \$13.5961 per hour (Range 7, Step G). Danny McCullough moved to hire Matt Neal-Cox, as requested, contingent on him obtaining his CDL within 60 days. Rick James seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

At 9:31 AM the Chair asked for public comment. Ed Self discussed road conditions with the Commission.

At 9:45 AM Rick James moved to recess from the Board of Commission meeting into executive session for 25 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 for 10 minutes to discuss individual employees' performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to protect the privacy of the employee;. The open meeting will resume in the Commission Room at 10:20 AM. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The Commission, Deputy Clerk, and Counselor attended the executive session.

At 10:10 Jackie Messer entered the executive session.

At 10:20 AM Mike Page moved to extend the executive session for 10 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 10:30 AM. Rick James seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

At 10:30 AM the executive session ended. As result of the executive session, Mike Page moved to extend Jessica Hightower's contract for a term of one year, contingent upon the review of the contract wording.

With nothing further on the agenda Rick James moved to adjourn until tonight at 6:30 PM at the special meeting at Bunker Hill Community Center, and then until the next regular scheduled meeting, 9:00 AM Monday, July 15, 2019. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Commission Chair

Attest:

County Clerk