

June 24, 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. Bobby Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance. Gary Thompson 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.

Mike Page moved to approve the following pays/special pays, totaling \$515,558.71: General, \$265,417.83; Employee Benefit, \$99,464.56; Appraiser, \$10,696.37; Rural Fire, \$10,970.42; Road and Bridge, \$117,559.49; Law Enforcement Trust, \$301.87; 911 Telephone Tax, \$861.16; County Health Dept., \$7,598.98; and Elderly, \$2,688.03; and the following pays/special pays, totaling \$24.87: Employee Benefit, \$24.87. Rick James seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Sheriff reported the current prisoner count. There are currently 18 prisoners in house and 20 farmed out to other Counties. Sheriff Filla also thanked Doug Barlet and Galen Anderson for the Active Shooter training last week.

Sheriff Filla presented the 2020 Sheriff Budget Request in the amount of \$2,562,781.00 (\$210,050.00 increase). Mike Page moved to tentatively approve the 2020 Sheriff Budget in the amount of \$2,562,781.00. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Judge Harth presented the 2020 District Court Budget Request in the amount of \$230,300.00 (no change). Mike Page moved to tentatively approve the 2020 District Court Budget in the amount of \$230,300.00. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Doug Barlet reported on the weather and flooding for the week. Barlet also reported that the President signed the disaster order, so we should be able to get some Federal reimbursement for our expenses. Barlet then asked for permission to spend up to \$10,000.00 for our annual vehicle inspections and pump testing. Danny McCullough moved to approve up to \$10,000.00 as requested. Mike Page 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. Anderson also reported on CPR/AED training for the District Court staff last week.

Jackie Messer informed the Commission that Bobby Flowers passed away this weekend. Messer discussed a meeting last week with residents at the Park. Messer also reported on other activities in the Public Works Departments. Messer then asked to hire Amy Doherty as a Cabin Cleaner/Flagger at a wage of \$10.2353 per hour (Range 3, Step J), and Rod Honn as an Equipment Operator at a wage of \$14.9196 per hour (Range 8, Step I). Rick James moved to hire Amy Doherty and Ron Honn as requested. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Messer then presented bids for 2 dump trucks. Bids received were: Freightliner, \$352,606.00; and International, \$343,424.00. After discussing the benefits of the Freightliner trucks, Rick James moved to approve purchasing 2 dump trucks on the State contract from Freightliner for \$352,606.00 (\$176,303.00 per truck). Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Messer also discussed complaints about our County roads.

Jackie Messer presented the 2020 Airport Budget Request in the amount of \$55,200.00 (new budget). Mike Page moved to tentatively approve the 2020 Airport Budget in the amount of \$55,200.00. Rick James seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Pam Cannon presented the 2020 GIS Budget Request in the amount of \$146,700.00 (\$12,100.00 increase). Mike Page moved to tentatively approve the 2020 GIS Budget in the amount of \$146,700.00. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Jackie Messer presented the following 2020 Budget Requests: Economic Development, \$90,430.00 (no change), Road & Bridge, \$3,837,830.00 (\$100,000.00 increase), and County Park, \$302,500.00 (\$5,000.00 increase). Rick James moved to tentatively approve the 2020 Economic Development Budget in the amount of \$90,430.00. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Mike Page moved to tentatively approve the 2020 Road & Bridge Budget in the amount of \$3,837,830.00. Rick James seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Rick James moved to tentatively approve the 2020 County Park Budget in the amount of \$302,500.00. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

At 10:32 AM the Chair asked for public comment. None was given.

Gary Thompson presented a contract with Mine Creek Feed for the exchange of property in the Industrial Park. Mike Page moved to allow the Chair to sign contract as presented. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

At 10:36 Rick James moved to take a 10 minute break. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Jackie Messer presented the following 2020 Budget Requests: Planning & Zoning, \$123,700.00 (\$14,615.00 increase), Noxious Weed, \$119,925.00 (no change) or \$155,925.00 (\$36,000.00 increase), (the Commission decided to table the Noxious Weed Budget Request), Elderly, \$218,000.00 (\$10,500.00 increase), Custodian, \$120,300.00 (\$34,400.00 increase), and Solid Waste, \$602,250.00 (no change). Mike Page moved to tentatively approve the 2020 Planning & Zoning Budget in the amount of \$123,700.00. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Mike Page moved to tentatively approve the 2020 Elderly Budget in the amount of \$218,000.00. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Mike Page moved to tentatively approve the 2020 Custodian Budget in the amount of \$120,300.00. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Rick James moved to tentatively approve the 2020 Solid Waste Budget in the amount of \$602,250.00. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Chris Martin presented the 2020 IT Budget Request in the amount of \$143,740.00 (no change). Rick James moved to tentatively approve the 2020 IT Budget in the amount of \$143,740.00. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

At 11:20 AM Rick James moved to recess from the Board of Commission meeting into executive session 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 11:30 AM. Danny McCullough seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The Commission, Clerk, and Jackie Messer attended the executive session.

At 11:30 AM the executive session ended. No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

David Lamb presented the following 2020 Budget Requests: Clerk, \$137,300.00 (\$7,200.00 increase), Election, \$88,400.00 (\$4,500.00 increase), Courthouse, \$313,300.00 (\$8,650.00 increase), Employee Benefit, \$3,022,000.00 (\$123,750.00 decrease), Contingency, \$2,500,000.00 (\$106,750.00 increase), Windfall, \$3,000,000.00 (no change), Debt Service (Sales Tax), \$921,031.26 (\$577,738.99 increase), and Capital Improvement (Construction), \$12,953,345.00 (\$7,557,450.00 increase). Mike Page moved to tentatively approve the 2020 Budget Requests as presented. Rick James seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Larry Goldberg presented information on the core drillings that were done on our building sites and explained how those results and rising construction costs have affected our building project. The Commission and Goldberg discussed various issues related to the project. Goldberg then asked the Commission to approve moving forward with next phase of the project. Mike Page moved to adopt Resolution #2019-17, Accepting Completion of the Design Phase and Authorizing Preparation of Technical Documents for the building project. Rick James seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Following is a copy of Resolution #2019-17:



Rick James moved to schedule a special meeting during the Republican Central Committee meeting on 7/8/19 at 6:30 PM at the Bunker Hill Community Center. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

With nothing further on the agenda Rick James moved to adjourn until 9:00 AM Monday, July 1, 2019. Mike Page seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Attest:

Commission Chair

County Clerk