

Pawnee County Commissioners  
Minutes  
March 7, 2022

Present: Commissioners: Lewis, Rein and Hammeke

9:01 Meeting was called to order, opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Wrestling Proclamation. Those present for the Proclamation were: Carter Atteberry, Lilliana McKenna, Jerrod Seeman, Jameson Smith, Dillan Hook, Luke Fischer, Adrian Bowersox, Reece Watkins, Jacob Colglazier, Coach Alboyd, Coach Sleder, Audra Seeman, Odessan Hook, Myrna Dye, Savarah Hook. Proclamation was read by Commissioner Rein.

Commissioner Lewis updated the other Commissioners on a Zoning issue that has arisen stating that additional discussion will take place at 11:00am this morning.

Commissioner Rein updated the other Commissioners on a meeting regarding Camp Pawnee.

9:50 **Motion by Hammeke, seconded by Rein to enter into executive session for a period of 5 minutes from 9:50 to 10:00 for the purpose of personnel. Motion passes, 3-0.**

10:00 Regular Session reconvened; no action was taken.

County Attorney Doug McNett presented Amendment to Second Affiliation Agreement. Discussion took place regarding changes to the agreement.

Deputy Clerk present a Change Order and Designation of Representative to Advisory Board Appointment letter.

**Motion by Rein, seconded by Hammeke to accept Change Order 2021-54 as presented. Motion passes, 3-0.**

10:23 Steve Lewis, Comfort Systems, Inc presented information on the Topeka Street Annex cooling unit. Steven presented two options for review on repairs. History of the A/C units were given. Additional Discussion took place.

**Motion by Rein, seconded by Hammeke to approve to replace both the AC-indoor coil & outdoor unit with higher efficiency & new refrigerant (Option 2) for the cost of \$11774.30 with a 5% discount for the Topeka Street Annex. Motion Passes 2-0. Commissioner Lewis abstained from voting.**

11:00 Kurt Demel. Road and Bridge, Noxious Weed, Zoning Department Head

Also present for the meeting were: Clint Barger, Rita Kurtz, Del Fischer, Tyson Steffen, Jim Froetschner, Chris Froetschner, Phil Martin, Ron Smith, Randy Anderson and Joel Davis, Register of Deed, Doug McNett, Pawnee County Attorney.

Commissioner Lewis opened the meeting by stating the reason for the meeting and reading the regulation that was the topic of discussion for this meeting.

Discussion took place. Randy Anderson, Central Kansas Survey and Mapping gave land requirement for surrounding counties. Commissioners explain that Kurt was new to the position and he was following the regulations that were adopted in 2003.

Commissioners explained that in order to get this regulation changed, a Zoning Meeting will need to be held, and the Zoning Committee will then make a recommendation to the Commissioner's. They will then make the final decision. Commissioner Lewis stated this will take approximately 20 days due to having to publish the information. Commissioner Rein stated that all in the current meeting attend the Zoning meeting and give their opinion.

Commissioners discussed getting a variance signed for the current property sale.

Kurt presented Kansas Local Bridge Improvement Program Agreement 87-22, project number C-5178-01. Kurt explained this agreement is for OS 75 bridge is over Ashe Creek in Ash Valley township. Funding discussion took place, Kurt stated this bridge will not be replaced until next year.

**Motion by Rein seconded by Hammeke to approve project number C-5178-01 from the Kansas Local Bridge Improvement Program to replace OS 75 bridge, necessary fund to be paid out of Road and Bridge. Motion passes, 3-0.**

Kurt presented the township letters from Keysville and Pleasant Ridge regarding county road 310<sup>th</sup> Avenue, beginning at intersection of H Road for one mile to I Road to be considered a closed road with no maintenance, signed by both township officers.

Kurt presented Kirkham Michael general permits for 210 Avenue Culvert Replacement. Kurt stated that he believes this project will come in at a lower price than expected.

Kurt discussed CDL training at Barton County College for a Road and Bridge employee.

Kurt presented a payroll change notice for a Road and Bridge employee.

**Motion by Rein, seconded by Hammeke to approve payroll change notice for Road and Bridge employee dated 3/14/2022 for Equipment Operator III/Assistant Shop Foreman with a Class A CDL differential. Motion passes, 3-0.**

Kurt updated the Commissioner on current projects his crew is working on.

12:01 **Motion by Rein, seconded by Hammeke to enter into executive session for a period of 5 minutes from 12:01 to 12:06 for the purpose of personnel to include Kurt Demel, Road and Bridge, Noxious Weed, Zoning Department Head. Motion passes, 3-0**

12:06 Reconvened to regular session, no action taken.

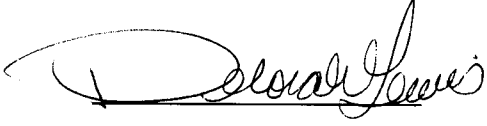
**Motion by Rein, seconded by Hammeke to pay a \$1.00 per hour pay differential to Clerical Staff under Road and Bridge Department for Zoning duties, to be paid out of Zoning Personal Services. Motion passes, 3-0.**

**Motion by Rein, seconded by Hammeke to authorize Chairwoman Lewis to sign the zoning variance coming from the 11:00am zoning meeting held on this date. Motion passes. 3-0.**

**Motion by Rein, seconded by Hammeke to approve the Payroll Change notice for \$1.00 per hour differential for Zoning Clerical Staff retroactive to 1/9/2022 payroll. Motion passes, 3-0.**

12:23

Motion for Adjournment



A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Donald Jones", written over a horizontal line.

For the Board:  
Chair, Board of Commissioners



A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stacy Rein", written over a horizontal line.

Attest:  
County Clerk