

May 23, 2023
Reno County Annex
Hutchinson, Kansas

The Board of Reno County Commissioners held an agenda session with Chairman Daniel Friesen, Commissioner Ron Hirst, Commissioner Randy Parks, Commissioner Don Bogner, and Commissioner John Whitesel, County Counselor Patrick Hoffman, County Administrator Randy Partington, and County Clerk Donna Patton, present.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a short sectarian prayer led by Reverend Dr. Ted Blakley, Grace Episcopal Church.

There were no public comments or additions to the agenda.

Mr. Bogner moved, seconded by Mr. Hirst, to approve the Consent Agenda as amended, consisting of items 6A through 6D which includes: **(6A)** the Accounts Payable Ledger for claims payable on May 19th, 2023, totaling \$704,564.93; for claims payable on May 26th, 2023, totaling \$327,552.01; **(6B)** approve declaring 2013 Ford Interceptor Utility (VIN 1FM5K8AR8DGC20958) with 135,099 miles as surplus to be sold on Purple Wave and authorize County Administrator Randy Partington to sign the title; **(6C)** approve ARPA Grant Agreement with the City of Pretty Prairie for \$37,500 to assist in the cost of their new EMS station; **(6D)** approve resolution **#2023-10; A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO ALTERATION OF MAXIMUM SPEED LIMITS IN ROAD CONSTRUCTION ZONES,** items as provided by staff. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 5-0.

7A. County Administrator Randy Partington explained the Pishny closeout documents stating there were adjustments we were given credits for. A check would be written to GLMV for additional work and then get credit from Pishny, the net amount was \$12,850, which would complete the project and no more would be owed. **Mr. Parks moved, seconded by Mr. Bogner,** to approve a change order, check for \$12,850, authorize the Chair to sign, and completion certificates to GLMV and Pishny as explained by staff. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 5-0.

7B. Mr. Partington explained the change order request on the Courthouse Improvements to allow historic features of two rooms, (Shonda Arpin and Leslie Roederer office areas) on the 1st floor to be visible. Additional cost of \$52,984 to raise the

ceiling for a more historical look with the beams and change the lighting along with utilities. The Board denied the change order for \$52,984 for improvements.

7C. County Attorney Patrick Hoffman explained there are no changes in the solid waste fees for residential and commercial. In this resolution, he drafted commercial C & D fees at \$10 per ton and non-commercial C & D would not have fees. He said if it's noncommercial it will be allowed to be dumped without a fee and he recommended approval of resolution #2023-11; **A RESOLUTION PROVIDING A SCHEDULE OF FEES IN CONNECTION WITH SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AND AMENDING RESOLUTION 2021-11. Mr. Parks moved, seconded by Mr. Whitesel**, to approve resolution #2023-11 as explained by staff. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 5-0.

7D. Commissioner Friesen opened a discussion on the revision to Commission Meeting Guidelines. He spoke about amending the meeting day of the week in July to 2nd, 4th, and 5th Wednesday and going forward. He mentioned enhancing some language around the meeting protocol mainly to provide some guidance for the Chair on how to conduct a meeting.

Mr. Hoffman spoke about the NACO documents relating to the correct way to run a meeting. He stated that NACO was a larger document with very precise guidelines, and he said Robert's Rules of Order was a smaller version of NACO and suggested continuing with the current way commission meetings were held and not change them. **Mr. Parks moved, seconded by Mr. Hirst**, to approve the revisions to the Commission Meeting Guidelines. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 5-0.

8A. Mr. Partington asked if there were any questions on the monthly department reports.

8B. Mr. Partington then reviewed the year-to-date financial status as of April 30th, 2023, showing revenues and expenditures.

8C. Mr. Partington reviewed the preliminary Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) requests for 2024 through 2028 from county departments. Mr. Partington stated he would be making recommendations and would like the Board to recommend cuts. He said Special Districts were the fire districts and noted they were a separate taxing entity. He reviewed and discussed several departments' requests with the Board. He stated his goal was to keep the CIP levy level. The Board asked a few department heads to clarify their CIP FY2024 requests. Mr. Partington

stated he would work on a preliminary budget and present it by the end of June if the Board would provide him with their individual input on CIP feedback and have the same with outside agencies.

County Commission comments:

Mr. Hirst thanked the department heads for their preliminary work on budgets and congratulated all graduates. He said interest on reserve funds looked good.

Mr. Parks thanked Sheriff and Law Enforcement.

Mr. Bogner spoke about meeting with Mr. Hirst and Mr. Partington regarding the Yoder water project.

Mr. Friesen mentioned good job by the Clerk's Office regarding the Special Bond Canvass. He reminded everyone at 11:30 a.m. to attend the joint meeting between the City of Hutchinson and Reno County at the Reno County Correctional Facility Fountain Hall to discuss Law Enforcement Collaboration and Projects, Hutchinson Regional Airport, and miscellaneous items.

The meeting recessed at 10:10 a.m.

Approved:

Chair, Board of Reno County Commissioners

(ATTEST)

Reno County Clerk
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Date