

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARION COUNTY, KS**

February 11, 2019

Commission met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission chambers at the Marion County Courthouse with Chr. Kent Becker and Comm. Dianne R. Novak present. Comm. Randy Dallke joined the session at 9:05 a.m. Also present was Co. Clerk Tina Spencer. Present for portions of the meeting were Co. Counselor Brad Jantz, Yvonne Cushenbery, Tom Britain, Randy Eitzen, Henry Ethem, Carl Stovall, Jonah Gehring, Anthony Roy, Dave Crofoot, Robert Sellers, Jeremy Loewen, Mike Beneke and members of the press.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Becker moved to approve the minutes of February 4th as written. Novak seconded and motion carried 2-0. Comm. Dallke joined the session.

- Change orders affecting 2018 and prior years' tax rolls were reviewed and signed by the Board.
- Early checks were approved for processing:
 - #47469 to Tyler Campbell for prorated rent/deposit in the amount of \$822.00 – Ambulance fund;
 - #47470 to Cooperative Grain & Supply for transport fuel in the amount of \$18,228.75 – R&B fund;
 - #47471 to Harvey-Marion Co. CDDO for 1st Qtr. Allotment in the amount of \$16,250.00 – General;
 - #47472 to MN Co. Extension Council for 1st Qtr. Allotment in the amount of \$37,260.50 – General;
 - #47473 to MN Co. Conservation District for 1st Qtr. Allotment in the amount of \$8,250.00 – General;
 - #47474 to MN Co. Fair Association for 1st Qtr. Allotment in the amount of \$4,175.00 – General;
 - #47475 to Midway Motors for 2019 Chevy Truck in the amount of \$26,590.00 – General/Sheriff (encumbered);
 - #47476 to Prairie View, Inc. for 1st Qtr. Allotment in the amount of \$16,250.00 – General;
 - #47477 to Syncpad, LLC for annual transaction fee in the amount of \$740.88 – Ambulance fund;
- Salary sheets were signed: Gwenda Rutherford, new part-time EMT at \$12.00/hour effective 2/6/2019; Anthony Wyant, part-time to full time EMT (no pay change) effective 2/2/2019; Robert Huyett, part-time to full time Paramedic (no pay change) effective 1/16/2019; Laura Allen, establish wage as Interim County Attorney at \$4,587.00/mo. effective 1/19/2019; Larry Larsen, one year raise as Paramedic – from \$15.25/hour to \$15.50/hour effective 1/1/2019.
- After discussion, Dallke made a motion that the Commission Chairperson and County Clerk should coordinate for closure of County offices for inclement weather or emergency situations, and if the Chairperson is unavailable, the Vice Chairperson would be the secondary contact. Novak seconded and motion carried 3-0.

ROAD & BRIDGE: Supt. Jesse Hamm provided the 2018 bridge inspection report to the Commission.

- A salary sheet was signed for Fred Philpott – six month raise from \$2,267.00/mo. to \$2,310.00/mo. effective 1/30/2019.
- Topics for future consideration included purchasing crushed concrete as potential road base material, purchasing a bunker for sand storage, and the possibility of temporarily revoking the conditional use permit for the Diamond Vista project due to multiple recent violations of the road maintenance agreement. No decisions were made.

TRANSFER STATION: Dir. Bud Druse asked for a decision on the colors for the new building. After discussion, the Board agreed on a snow white roof, brownstone exterior walls, almond trim, and white interior.

- Change Order 001 was presented to change the insulation from bat insulation – adding vinyl faced R13 wall insulation and an 8' interior liner panel. There was no change in cost to implement Change Order 001. Novak moved to accept Change Order 001 as written. Becker seconded and motion carried 3-0.
- Druse reported that additional excavation was necessary to remove old foundations and contaminates. This will cause an additional cost on the project, which will be presented via change order.
- After discussion, Novak moved to change the color scheme for the exterior to grey roof, brownstone exterior walls, and white trim. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0.

PARK & LAKE: Supt. Isaac Hett reported that a student has requested permission for work study at the Park & Lake. Work studies were approved by the Board on August 28, 2017. Some minimal paperwork will be required. The Board had no objection to allowing the work study.

Topics for possible future consideration included attending upcoming travel shows, printing brochures, and purchasing and spreading additional rock and/or millings on lake roads. No decisions were made.

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COUNTY ENGINEER DISCUSSION: The Board reviewed several job descriptions from surrounding counties and discussed points to include in the position description for Marion County. The options of using a consulting firm or marketing the position independently were discussed. No decisions were made.

EXPEDITION WIND PROJECT: Pat Pelstring and Troy Bushman of National Renewable Solutions and Trish Voth of Foulston Siefken reported that the group hopes to submit a Conditional Use Permit application by the end of February. Planning/Zoning Dir. Sharon Omstead was also present for this portion of the meeting. The project was discussed at length with several questions being raised by the Board. Tom Britain made several comments and asked questions.

PERSONNEL DISCUSSION: Becker moved to recess into executive session to discuss job positions and performance of job duties of existing personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters of non-elected personnel for 30 minutes (from 12:05 p.m. to 12:35 p.m.) with the Board, Jantz, and Spencer present with open session to resume in the Commission room following the closed session. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Open session resumed with no action.

COUNTY ENGINEER DISCUSSION: The Board discussed several requirements / duties to include in the job description. Spencer will prepare a rough draft for review and modification.

Becker moved to adjourn. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 1:12 p.m.

Kent Becker, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk