

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with all members and the County Clerk present. Ulysses News Reporter, Tammie Hensley was in attendance. Commissioner Shapland led the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Larry Borthwick provided prayer.

Discussion was held on redirecting any remaining SPARK funds. Commissioner Shapland made phone calls to the Sheriff, Health Department Administrator, and Emergency Management Coordinator. It was the consensus of commissioners to reallocate \$7,226.46 from the Sheriff allocation; \$1,739.65 from the computer project allocation; and \$2,342.26 turned back from Economic Development to Emergency Management to be used for the radio project.

Commissioner McGaughey informed commissioners of upcoming public health webinars hosted by Kansas Association of Counties and encouraged the other commissioners to join when webinar times are announced.

Commissioner Shapland shared an article written by The Sentinel raising concerns with 24-day quarantines. The article also states the Grant County Health Department is giving families conflicting information. After reviewing, no action taken.

Commissioners reviewed and approved a road crossing permit.

Kevin Shapland made the motion to approve the wages of a temp COVID-19 contact tracer at the Health Department. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mark McGaughey made the motion to approve minutes for the December 1 and December 2, 2020 meetings along with claims against the various funds of the County; payroll total \$140,214.49 dated December 2, and voucher numbers ending 163227 totaling \$272,611.56. Janet Stewart seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The Health Department Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program bad debt write-offs were reviewed. Kevin Shapland made the motion to write-off VFC Program non-collectable debt of \$56.00. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The Freedom Claims Management, Inc. (FCMI) Administrative Agreement was reviewed. To help lower health insurance costs, Kevin Shapland made the motion to enter in a contract with FCMI for third party administration of hospital/health care/and prescription benefits for Grant County employees. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Commissioners adjourned for the day at 10:00 a.m., to meet again in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 5, 2021.

*Sheila Brown*  
Sheila Brown, County Clerk



*Kevin Shapland*  
Kevin Shapland, Chairman