

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioner McGaughey and Commissioner Shapland and County Clerk present. Commissioner Stewart was absent due to illness. In attendance Commissioner Elect, John Martin. Commissioner McGaughey led the Pledge of Allegiance and provided prayer.

Dana McDaniel, Register of Deeds, presented bids for a new copier for her office. Kevin Shapland motioned to approve the bid from Southern Office Supply for a color copier at a cost not to exceed \$7,139.00, and this expense to come from the Special Equipment fund. Mark McGaughey seconded motion, and it carried unanimously.

Shaun Minks, Public Works Supervisor, and Loren Wright, County Surveyor, met with commissioners. The Public Works Supervisor presented an agreement to grind brush and tree material for free in exchange for the material. The agreement also has a foreign material clause if Swank's equipment is damaged during the process the County can be held liable. Commissioner McGaughey asked if there was a vendor for this kind of work in Grant County and Mr. Minks replied none. Kevin Shapland motioned to enter into a one-time agreement with Swank Grinding. Mark McGaughey seconded motion, and it carried unanimously. Secondly, Resolution 22-08, a Resolution to place a stop sign at the southwest corner of Road 11 at the Road D intersection, and Resolution 22-09, a Resolution to place a stop sign at the northwest corner Road 11 at the Road D intersection were introduced for consideration. Mark McGaughey motioned to adopt Resolution 22-08 and Resolution 22-09. Kevin Shapland seconded motion, and it carried unanimously. Lastly, the County Surveyor discussed the need for new surveying equipment and updated software. Kevin Shapland motioned to approve purchasing from Vectors Inc. a Trimble TSC5 Controller and software updates at a cost not to exceed \$7,938.00, and this expense to come from the Road Department fund. Mark McGaughey seconded motion, and it carried unanimously.

Terri Trotman, County Treasurer, relayed her office had collected just under 50 percent of property taxes as of today. Next, an executive session was requested. Kevin Shapland motioned to recess into executive session with the County Treasurer for 10 minutes to discuss an employee wage under the justification of personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Mark McGaughey seconded motion, and it carried unanimously. After 10 minutes the meeting continued in open session. Kevin Shapland motioned to approve the recommended wage increases as presented by the County Treasurer. Mark McGaughey seconded motion, and it carried unanimously.

Kevin Shapland motioned to approve a wage increase for a part time secretary as recommended by the Civic Center Manager and with an adjustment approve the maintenance worker wage increase. Mark McGaughey seconded motion, and it carried unanimously.

James Biddle, Sheriff, relayed there was a gas leak in a furnace located on the roof of the Law Enforcement Center. TED's Plumbing fixed the issue. Next, the Sheriff requested permission to pay for a damaged cell phone for an inmate. When the inmate was arrested the phone was left on the hood of the Sheriff's Deputy's car and later fell off damaging it. Mark

McGaughey motioned to pay the bill for \$217.90 to replace the phone. Kevin Shapland seconded motion, and it carried unanimously. Thirdly, commissioners were informed the Care Home will raise prisoner meals by \$2.00 each starting in January, which will cost approximately \$3,000.00 more per month. The Sheriff has decided to purchase groceries for lunchtime and only purchase the evening meal from the Care Home. Commissioners were in agreeance of the change. Lastly, bids for a law enforcement vehicle were reviewed. Mark McGaughey motioned to approve the purchase of a 2022 Ram 1500 Classic at a cost not to exceed \$45,000.00, and for this expense to come from the Special Equipment fund. Kevin Shapland seconded motion, and it carried unanimously.

A letter from ESH, Inc. requesting a 1/3 of the Alcoholic Treatment fund dollars as allowed in K.S.A. 79-1s04(e) was reviewed. Mark McGaughey motioned to allow the allocation equaling \$1,880.20 from the Alcoholic Treatment fund to ESH, Inc. Kevin Shapland seconded motion, and it carried unanimously.

Kevin Shapland motioned to enter into contract with the low bidder, American Pavement Solutions, in the amount of \$556,266.99 to rehabilitate Airport Runway 17-35 Project No. AV2022-36 at a cost share rate of 90/10. Mark McGaughey seconded motion, and it carried unanimously.

Mark McGaughey motioned to change the first commissioner meeting in January to Friday, January 6th. Kevin Shapland seconded motion, and it carried unanimously.


Discussion was held on bids received for repair of the Museum's Old Hotel balcony. It was the consensus of commissioners a more detailed estimate was needed from Winner Construction before they could proceed. The clerk was directed to contact Mr. Winner for an updated bid.

Kevin Shapland motioned to approve minutes for the December 5, 2022, meeting along with claims against various funds of the County, payroll total \$148,663.14 dated December 14, 2022, and voucher numbers ending 168552 totaling \$632,659.76. Mark McGaughey seconded motion, and it carried unanimously.

Commissioners adjourned at 10:15 a.m., to meet again in regular session on Friday, January 6, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.


Sheila Brown, County Clerk




Mark McGaughey, Chairman