# Labette County Board of Commissioners December 12, 2022

#### Convene

Chairman Lonie R. Addis called the regular session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:04 a.m. on December 12, 2022 at the Commission Room. Attendance: Lonie R. Addis, Present, Cole J. Proehl, Present, Terry Weidert, Present

## **Others Present for the Meeting**

County Counselor Brian K. Johnson, and County Clerk Gena Landis.

### **Media Present**

Ray Nolting from the Parsons Sun.

### Wage Increase

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to approve a three-range increase for hourly employees. Department heads would also have the option to allow an additional one-range increase for thirty three percent of the employees in their department. After discussion there was no second to the motion.

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to approve a four-range increase for hourly employees except for the County Attorney's Office and JJA. Department heads would also have the option to allow an additional one-range increase for no more than thirty-three percent of key personnel in their department. This is effective with the January 2023 pay period. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Terry Weidert (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Lonie R. Addis (Yes).

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to approve a twenty-five percent increase on all wages for salary employees excluding the County Attorney's office, Juvenile Justice Authority and the Commissioners, effective with the January 2023 pay period. Due to a statutory cap on Treasurer Motor Vehicle pay, the Commissioners authorized an additional \$2,500.00 for the Treasurer and Clerk funds. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

#### Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting for five minutes, and reconvened at 9:51 a.m.

## Septic System Variance

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to allow a septic system variance at a property located at Nation and X-Ray Roads. The County will hold \$5,000.00 in an escrow account for demolition. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to grandfather the septic system for the property located at 3916 Main under the current septic codes. It is in good working condition and poses no health hazard. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

#### **Inspection Fee**

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to increase the Sanitation Inspection Fees from \$125.00 to \$250.00. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

## **Storm Spotter Training**

Emergency Manager Charles Morse informed Commissioners that the 2023 storm spotter training will take place on February 23, 2023 at the Little Theatre on the campus of the Labette County High School in Altamont, Kansas.

## **Solid Waste Discussion**

Commissioners discussed solid waste issues with GFL Environmental representatives Max Murray, Matt Sanders and Scott Blanford.

## **Executive Session**

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to go into executive session for consultation with our attorney, a matter protected by the attorney-client privilege. To protect the privilege and the board's position (in litigation, potential litigation, administrative proceedings, etc.) Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes). Also present was County Counselor Brian K. Johnson for a period of five minutes to reconvene at 10:45 a.m. in the commission room.

## **EMC Insurance Renewal**

Bob Wood from Wood Insurance Center presented the Commissioners with the new 2023 renewal premiums from EMC Insurance for the Commercial Property, Commercial General Liability, Crime, Commercial Inland Marine, Commercial Automobile Coverage, Workers Compensation and Umbrella policies. The current premium is \$328,587.00, and the renewal premium for 2023 is \$355,899.00.

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to renew with Wood Insurance Center and EMC Insurance, for \$355,899.00, plus Cyber Insurance for \$20,087.00 with the understanding that these amounts may fluctuate once various adjustments are made. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

## **Accounts Payable**

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to approve the following checks: Accounts Payable check numbers 29612 through 29737 in the amount of \$383,138.65. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

## **Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to approve the minutes of December 5, 2022 as submitted. Lonie R. Addis seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

## **Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to approve the minutes of December 8, 2022 as submitted. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

## **Planning And Zoning**

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to allow the Planning and Zoning Board to solicit qualified consultant firms to submit proposals for a Comprehensive Plan for county wide zoning in Labette County. Lonie R. Addis seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

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### **Executive Session**

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel. To protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes). This session was for a period of five minutes to reconvene at 12:08 p.m. in the commission room.

### Resolution 2022-60-A

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion for the Board of Commissioners to appoint Vincent Schibi to the Labette County Solid Waste Authority, replacing Tim Peoples. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

### Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 12:28 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. Monday, December 19, 2022.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Lonie R. Addis