

Labette County Board of Commissioners
December 30, 2022

Convene

Chairman Lonie R. Addis called the regular session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:02 a.m. on December 30, 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

Hailey Phillips from the Parsons Sun and Rudy Taylor from the Labette Avenue.

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). Others present were County Counselor Brian K. Johnson, County Clerk Gena Landis and Sheriff Darren Eichinger, for a period of fifteen minutes to reconvene at 9:20 a.m. in the commission room.

Jail Administrator Salary

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to accept the recommendation from the Sheriff to move the Jail Administrator Salary to \$73,642.11 annually effective January 1, 2023. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Local Road Safety Plan

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to accept the Local Road Safety Plan agreement between the Secretary of Transportation and Labette County in the amount of \$57,655.42. Ninety percent of the cost will be paid with federal funds in the amount of \$51,889.88 and a ten percent match will be paid by the county in the amount of \$5,765.54, payable from the Public Works Fund. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Resolution 2022-64-A – Transfer from Road & Bridge Fund to Special Bridge Reserve Fund

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion that the Board of Commissioners adopt and execute Resolution No. 2022-64-A transferring from the Road and Bridge Fund under K.S.A. 68-1135 et seq. \$131,418.79 to the Special Bridge Reserve Fund (Fund #141). Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Resolution 2022-65-A – Transfer from Road & Bridge Fund to Special Bridge Reserve Fund

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion that the Board of Commissioners adopt and execute Resolution No. 2022-65-A transferring from the Road and Bridge Fund under K.S.A. 68-141G et seq. \$100,000.00 to the Special Bridge Reserve Fund (Fund #141). Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Resolution 2022-66-A – Transfer from Road & Bridge Fund to Special Highway Improvement Fund

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion that the Board of Commissioners adopt and execute Resolution No. 2022-66-A transferring from the Road and Bridge Fund under K.S.A. 68-141G et seq. \$100,000.00 to the Special Highway Improvement Fund (Fund #142). Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Resolution 2022-67-A – Transfer from Road & Bridge Fund to Special Machinery Fund

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion that the Board of Commissioners adopt and execute Resolution No. 2022-67-A transferring from the Road and Bridge Fund under K.S.A. 68-141G et seq. \$500,000.00 to the Special Machinery Fund (Fund #144). Lonie R. Addis seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes).

County Road Study

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to accept the County Road Study done by Cook, Flatt & Stroebel, LLC. All changes recommended, will be implemented except 18,000 Road to Rooks to 16,500 Road that goes to Trego and then to Highway 59, will remain at 45 and will be revisited after repairs have been made. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Salary Increase

Cole J. Proehl made a motion to authorize a twenty-five percent increase for Assistant Public Works Director and Noxious Weed Director Ralph George effective January 1, 2023. Terry Weidert Seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Executive Session

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl 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 and Emergency Manager/Sanitation Director Charles Morse for a period of fifteen minutes to reconvene at 10:17 a.m.

Public Comment

Republican Party Chairman Mike Howerter, Neosho County Commissioner Paul Westhoff and Newspaper Publisher Rudy Taylor spoke their appreciation for Chairman Lonie R. Addis' years of service on the County Commission.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to approve the minutes of December 19, 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).

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas – 2023 Renewal Agreement

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to authorize the chairman's signature on the 2023 Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas Agreement which consists of ASO – Summary of Charges Option A, ASO – Summary of Charges Option B, Agreement to Provide Administrative Services for a Self-Funded Health Benefit Plan, Attachment A, the Stop Loss Agreement, Group Application/Certification, Amendment to Stop Loss Contract, and Addendum to Agreement to Provide Administrative Services. 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 a small reception for Chairman Lonie R. Addis' last meeting, and reconvened at 10:45 a.m.

Employee Evaluation

Commissioners gave Public Works Director Sandy Krider an employee evaluation and gave her a twenty-five percent salary increase.

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Emergency Management Salary

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to allow Emergency Manager Charles Morse a twenty-five percent increase in salary effective January 1, 2023. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Appraiser Salary

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to allow County Appraiser DeLinda White, a five percent salary increase effective January 1, 2023. Further increases will be awarded on a month to month basis with improvement of managerial skills.

Health Department Administrator Salary

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to allow Health Department Director Lisa Scott a twenty-five percent increase in salary effective January 1, 2023. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Dispatch Director Salary

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to allow Dispatch Director Brandy Scott a twenty-five percent increase in salary effective January 1, 2023. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Emergency Management Coordinator Salary

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to allow Emergency Management Coordinator Brandy Scott a twenty-five percent increase in salary effective January 1, 2023. Terry Weidert 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 11:45 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Monday, January 9, 2023.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Lonie R. Addis