

**Labette County Board of Commissioners
February 21, 2022**

Convene

Chairman Lonie R. Addis called the regular session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. on February 21, 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 and Matt Jordan from KGGF Radio.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to approve the minutes of February 14, 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).

Appraiser's Parcel Search Agreement – Brian W. Coltrane dba BC Max Inc.

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on an Appraiser's Parcel Search Agreement between Labette County and Brian W. Coltrane dba BC Max Inc. Their fee of \$225.00 has been paid. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Finley Engineering Feasibility Study

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on a contract between Labette County and Finley Engineering to complete a Broadband Feasibility Study for \$69,350.00 payable from ARPA Funds. Lonie R. Addis seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

City of Mound Valley – Street Project

Mound Valley Mayor David Templeton, met with Commissioners to discuss the use of county equipment for city street repair. Commissioners agreed, with the understanding that the City of Mound Valley would be using county equipment, Public Works Employees would be hired by the City of Mound Valley and the work would be done after normal working hours. The City would also be responsible for the fuel and equipment maintenance while it was being used.

Resolution No. 2022-20-A – Labette County Medical Center Board of Trustees – Position #4

Commissioner Lonie R. Addis made a motion to adopt and execute Resolution No. 2022-20-A reappointing Ned Wall to the Labette County Medical Center (DBA as Labette Health) Board of Trustees Position No. 4, to serve until April 2025 or until replaced or reassigned. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Resolution No. 2022-21-A – Labette County Medical Center Board of Trustees – Position #5

Commissioner Lonie R. Addis made a motion to adopt and execute Resolution No. 2022-21-A reappointing Jill Marie Thomas to the Labette County Medical Center (DBA as Labette Health) Board of Trustees Position No. 5, to serve until April 2025 or until replaced or reassigned. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Resolution No. 2022-22-A – Labette County Medical Center Board of Trustees – Position #6

Commissioner Lonie R. Addis made a motion to adopt and execute Resolution No. 2022-22-A reappointing Perry Sorrell to the Labette County Medical Center (DBA as Labette Health) Board of Trustees Position No. 6, to serve until April 2025 or until replaced or reassigned. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Noxious Weed – Annual Eradication Progress Report 2021

Noxious Weed Supervisor Ralph George presented and discussed with Commissioners the Annual Noxious Weed Eradication Progress Report for 2021.

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to authorize the commission signatures on the Annual Noxious Weed Eradication Progress Report for 2021 as submitted by Noxious Weed Supervisor Ralph George. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

2022 Management Plan

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize the Commissioners signatures on the 2022 Noxious Weed Management Plan. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Road Safety Plan

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on the FFY 2018 to 2022 Local Road Safety Plan Funding Application. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Dump Truck Purchase

Leadman Mechanic Josh Edgington and Master Tech Truck and Equipment Representative David Williams met with Commissioners to discuss the purchase of three Kenworth T880S Dump Trucks.

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on an agreement to purchase two Kenworth T880S Dump Trucks for \$225,072.00, payable from the Public Works Special Machinery Fund. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on an agreement to purchase a third Kenworth T880S Dump Truck, as soon as it's available, for an estimated \$240,072.00 payable from Public Works Special Machinery Fund. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

ARPA Discussion

Parsons Economic Development Director Jim Zaleski and Parsons Community Development Director Laura Moore, and GPDA Park Director Brad Reams discussed ARPA funds and BASE Grants.

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to commit 1.2 million dollars of ARPA funds for the Building A Stronger Economy Grant Program with a 25% match in order to complete the upgrade to the water project at Great Plains Industrial Park, contingent upon grant approval and the City of Parsons completing the end loop. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Letter of Support

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on a letter of support for the aforementioned project. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Adverse Weather Policy Discussion

Commissioners discussed the recent adverse weather and if the courthouse should be closed on those days. There was no action taken. The current policy is that the courthouse will remain open and employees who don't feel safe driving to work in bad weather, will be able to use vacation leave.

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 and County Clerk Gena Landis for ten minutes to reconvene at 11:10 a.m. in the commission room.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Monday, February 28, 2022.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Lonie R. Addis