

Labette County Board of Commissioners January 31, 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 January 31, 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, Matt Jordan from KGGF Radio and Jessica Dunn from the Labette Avenue.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to approve the minutes of January 21, 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).

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to approve the minutes of January 24, 2022 as submitted. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Department Head Longevity Discussion

Department Heads met with Commissioners to discuss last year's budgeted longevity pay. County Counselor Brian K. Johnson will draft a Resolution to formally approve the policy details.

Public Works Skid Steer Purchase

Commissioner Terry Weidert made a motion to authorize Public Works to purchase a 2022 John Deere 333G Compact Track Loader for \$85,500.00, 2021 Diamond C 72" 32-45 GPM Drum Mulcher for \$32,900.00 and a 2022 Virnig PUB84 84" Pick up Broom for \$6,980.00 from Murphy Tractor and Equipment, Park City, KS. Total cost will be 125,380.00, half paid out of Public Works Capital Outlay Fund and half paid out of Special Bridge Fund. Lonie R. Addis seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Surplus Property

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to declare a John Deere CT322 Skid Steer, Serial number T0322TA146744, as surplus property to be sold on Purple Wave. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

TKE Elevator Quote

Custodial Engineer Chris Lahey met with Commissioners to update them on the cost to repair the elevator. The quote to replace the jack assembly in the shaft is \$81,079.23. The County would also be responsible to hire a local company to pump out the oil and a certified welder to complete the repair. Mr. Lahey also received an end of life letter stating that the elevator has reached its life expectancy and could potentially need to be replaced. Commissioners will wait on an estimate for the purchase of a new elevator before making a decision.

Burn Ban

911 Dispatch Director Brandy Scott met with Commissioner to discuss the possibility of implementing a burn ban.

Commissioner Lonie R. Addis made a motion to table the implementation of a burn ban at this time due to the precipitation that the region is expected to receive later in the week. 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 ten minutes, and reconvened at 10:15 a.m.

ARPA

Parsons Economic Development Director Jim Zaleski discussed possible disbursement amounts of ARPA funds for the American Rescue Plan Act.

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to move forward with the Broadband RFQ. The motion died for lack of a second.

Resolution No. 2022-14-A – ADA Coordinator/Administrator

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to authorize the Board of Commissioners' signatures on Resolution Number 2022-14-A appointing Gena Landis as the Labette County ADA Coordinator/Administrator to serve until January 13, 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. 2022-15-A – Drug Policy Administrator

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to authorize the Board of Commissioners' signatures on Resolution Number 2022-15-A appointing Gena Landis as the Labette County Drug Policy Administrator until January 13, 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).

Accounts Payable - 2021

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to approve the following checks: Accounts Payable check numbers, 26856 through 26860 in the amount of \$8,848.50 for 2021 expenditures. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Accounts Payable – 2022

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to approve the following checks: Accounts Payable check numbers 26810 through 26855 in the amount of \$383,229.59 for 2022 expenditures. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Payroll

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to approve the following check: Payroll check number 1722 in the amount of \$2,069.11 and Direct Deposit numbers 821664 through 821784 in the amount of \$286,736.23 for a total amount of \$288,805.34. Terry Weidert seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes), Terry Weidert (Yes).

Resolution No. 2022-16-A – Drug Policy Assistant Administrator

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to authorize the Board of Commissioners' signatures on Resolution Number 2022-16-A appointing Payroll Clerk Amy Wilkinson as the Assistant Drug Policy Administrator until January 13, 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. 2022-17-A – Local Freedom of Information Officer

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to authorize the Board of Commissioners' signatures on Resolution Number 2022-17-A appointing Gena Landis as the Local Freedom of Information Officer for Labette County until January 13, 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).

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). Also present was County Counselor Brian K. Johnson and County Clerk Gena Landis for a period of five minutes to reconvene at 11:42 a.m.

Executive Session

Commissioner 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.) Cole J. Proehl 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 five minutes to reconvene at 11:50 a.m.

Courthouse Courtroom

County Counselor Brian K. Johnson announced that due to the courthouse elevator being out of order, the court will not be able to hold trials in the third-floor court room, and will need to find an alternate location in the near future.

Windfarm Discussion

The Commissioners discussed various aspects of a potential windfarm in Labette County.

Public Works Track Loader Purchase Order

Commissioner Terry Weidert authorized the Chairman's signature on the purchase order for the 2022 John Deere 333G Compact Track Loader for \$85,500.00, with a five-year warranty, 2021 Diamond C 72" Drum Mulcher for \$32,900.00 and a 2022 Virnig PU884 84" Broom for \$6,980.00. Total cost is \$125,380.00, half paid out of Public Works Capital Outlay and half from Special Bridge Fund. 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 12:22 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. Monday, February 7, 2022.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Lonie R. Addis