

Labette County Board of Commissioners
July 20, 2020

Convene

Chairman Lonie R. Addis called the regular session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. on July 20, 2020 at the Commission Room. Attendance: Lonie R. Addis, Present: T. Douglas Allen, Present, Fred E. Vail, Present by phone.

Others Present for the Meeting

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

Media Present

Jamie Willey from the Parsons Sun.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner T. Douglas Allen made a motion to approve the minutes of July 13, 2020 as submitted. Lonie R. Addis seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Abstain).

Appraiser's Parcel Search Agreement – Frontier Farm Credit

Commissioner T. Douglas Allen made a motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on an Appraiser's Parcel Search Agreement between Labette County and Frontier Farm Credit, their fee of \$225.00 has been paid. Fred E. Vail seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Yes).

Altamont City Administrator

Altamont City Administrator Audree Aguilera, met with Commissioners to introduce herself, and to give them some information on a land bank program, that she is interested in implementing.

Storm Damage Update

Emergency Manager Charles Morse, informed Commissioners that there will be no FEMA funds available due to not meeting the financial threshold.

SPARK

Emergency Manager Charles Morse met with Commissioners to discuss the Strengthening People and Revitalizing Kansas (SPARK) funds that has been received by Labette County. Mr. Morse, Parsons Economic Development Director, Jim Zaleski, and Community Development Director Laura Moore, will return on Monday, July 27th, with a plan and application for approval.

CDBG-CV

Community Development Director Laura Moore gave Commissioners a quick update on CDBG-CV interest and applications. There have been 26 applications received, and 44 businesses have shown interest.

Commissioner Vail

Commissioner Fred E. Vail left the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

Recess

Commissioners recessed their meeting to reconvene at 10:54 a.m.

Commissioner Vail

Commissioner Fred E. Vail returned to the meeting at 10:54 a.m.

Salary Increases Effective January 2021

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to authorize the Noxious Weed Supervisor Ralph George, \$6,500.00 annually, out of the Noxious Weed fund effective with the January 2021 budget. T. Douglas Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Yes).

Commissioner T. Douglas Allen made a motion to authorize Sheriff Darren Eichinger, a salary of \$70,000.00 annually, effective with the January 2021 Sheriff Budget. Lonie R. Addis seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Yes).

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to authorize the Public Works Director Sandy Krider, a salary of \$61,000.00 annually, effective with the January 2021 Public Works Budget. T. Douglas Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Yes).

Commissioner T. Douglas Allen made a motion to authorize the Health Department Director Lisa Stivers, a salary of \$65,000.00 annually, effective with the January 2021 Health Department Budget. Lonie R. Addis seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Yes).

During the following salary discussions, Chairman Lonie R. Addis left the commission room, and returned after the motion.

Commissioner T. Douglas Allen made a motion to authorize the County Clerk Gena Landis, a salary of \$50,227.76 annually, effective with the January 2021 Clerk Budget. Fred E. Vail seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Absent), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Yes).

Commissioner T. Douglas Allen made a motion to authorize the County Treasurer Crystal Addis, a salary of \$50,227.76 annually, effective with the January 2021 Treasurer Budget. Fred E. Vail seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Absent), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Yes).

Indigent Defense Attorney Pay Increase

Commissioners agreed to increase the Indigent Defense Attorney Pay to \$2,600.00 per month, effective January 2021.

Labette County Fair Board – 2021 Budget

Chairman Lonie R. Addis spoke with Fair Board President, Kyle McKinzie by phone, and informed him that the Commissioners would leave the Fair Board Budget for 2021 the same as 2020, and wouldn't require them to come to the Commission meeting. Both the Commissioners and the Fair Board are extremely busy.

Budget Work Session

Chairman Lonie R. Addis announced that Commissioners would be meeting to work on budget, Wednesday, July 22, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

Commissioner Vail

Commissioner Fred E. Vail left the meeting at 11:51 a.m.

Work Session

Commissioners recessed into a work session at 12:03 p.m. The regular session reconvened at 12:45 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m., until the budget work session at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 27, 2020.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Lonie R. Addis