

Labette County Board of Commissioners
March 18, 2020

Convene

Chairman Lonie R. Addis called the special session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 2:00 p.m. on March 18, 2020 at the Commission Room. Attendance: Lonie R. Addis, Present: T. Douglas Allen, Present: Fred E. Vail, Present by Phone from 650 7000 Rd, Edna, KS 67342.

Others Present for the Meeting

County Counselor Brian K. Johnson, County Clerk Gena Landis, Emergency Manager Charles Morse, Health Department Director Lisa Stivers, Medical Director Sonya Culver.

Media present

Ray Nolting from the Parsons Sun, Matt Jordan from KGGF Radio.

Recess - BOCC

Commissioners recessed their meeting and convened as the Board of Health.

Recommendation from Medical Director

Medical Director Dr. Sonya Culver discussed the current situation with the COVID-19 pandemic, and recommended that all groups be limited to 10 people, and that county buildings be closed to the public.

Board of Health Discussion on Possible COVID-19 Policy

Commissioners discussed all possible options for complying with CDC guidelines and Dr. Culver's recommendations.

Adjourn – Board of Health

The Labette County Board of Health adjourned and reconvened as the Board of Commissioners.

Commission Decisions

Commissioner T. Douglas Allen made a motion that all county buildings have limited access and open to the public by appointment only, until further notice, to be effective March 19, 2020. This measure has been taken in an effort to limit exposure of employees and the general public to the COVID-19 virus. The public is recommended to do business on-line, through email, or over the phone. Commission also recommend business be deferred until after April 1st when possible. No face-to-face assistance is allowed without an appointment. Fred E. Vail seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Yes).

Commissioners agree that the new protocol will be as follows: Customers should call 620-795-2138 to contact the department they need for an appointment. All persons should enter the building at the ADA compliant door on the west side of the building. When arriving, customers will call the department they have an appointment with, and an employee will go to the west door and cover KDHE Guidelines with them before they will be allowed to enter.

It was also decided that the Appraisal vehicles would be moved to make room for public parking, and that Emergency Manager Charles Morse will be working out of the EOC office in the Law Enforcement Center. Fred E. Vail will get with the City of Mound Valley to make arrangements for using county equipment.

Approving AP

T. Douglas Allen made a motion to allow Chairman Lonie R. Addis to approve AP on Monday, March 23rd, 2020, due to the fact there will be no commission meeting. Fred E. Vail seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), T. Douglas Allen (Yes), Fred E. Vail (Yes).

March 31, 2020 Commission Meeting

Chairman Lonie R. Addis moved the time for the March 31, 2020 commission meeting to 1:00 p.m.

Emergency Declaration Discussion

The Commissioners will not enact a Local Emergency Disaster Declaration at the time of this meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 3:20, until 1:00 p.m. Monday, March 31, 2020.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Lonie R. Addis