

Labette County Board of Commissioners
October 12, 2021

Convene

Chairman Lonie R. Addis called the regular session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 9:00 a.m. on October 12, 2021, at the Commission Room. Attendance: Lonie R. Addis, Present, Brian C. Kinzie, Present, Cole J. Proehl, Present.

Others Present for the Meeting

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

Media Present

Hailey Phillips from the Parsons Sun.

Public Works and Evergy Update

Public Works Director Sandy Krider and Assistant Public Works Director Ralph George updated Commissioners on the Evergy Project on Wallace Road. Both the County and Evergy are satisfied that the right of way issue is resolved.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Cole J. Proehl made a motion to approve the minutes of September 30, 2021 as submitted. Brian C. Kinzie seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes).

CDBG-CV Public Hearing

Chairman Lonie R. Addis opened the public hearing for the CDBG-CV Grant 20-CV-037 Close-Out at 9:15 a.m. Chairman Lonie R. Addis closed the public hearing at 9:16 a.m. Community Development Director Laura Moore informed Commissioners that there was a total of \$103,908.89 given to 14 businesses. Commissioner Brian C. Kinzie made a motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on the completion documents to close-out CDBG-CV Grant 20-CV-037. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes).

Sheriff Surplus Property

Commissioner Brian C. Kinzie made a motion to authorize the items listed below as surplus property for the Sheriff's Department. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes).

CP
10-12-21

Surplus Trucks
2016 Ram 1500 4x4 Crew Cab VIN 1C6RR7XT9G5313333
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Surplus Rifles
10/12/2021
Ruger Mini 14 .223 Caliber Serial Number 184-17815
Ruger Mini 14 .223 Caliber Serial Number 184-18127

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Special Meeting

Commissioners agreed to hold a special commission meeting on Friday, October 15, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to complete department head evaluations.

Burn Ban

Commissioner Brian C. Kinzie made a motion to rescind Resolution 2021-42-L, ending the previously imposed burn ban. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes).

Citizen Comments

Dana Eggers, 1171 21,000 Rd, Parsons, KS read a prepared statement on behalf of the recall committee and its sponsors, regarding the proposed wind farm and ongoing recall petition against Commissioner Brian C. Kinzie. There were several comments and questions from other citizens.

Suspending Negotiations

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to suspend all talks with RWE, suspend the process to find an attorney to negotiate, and all negotiations be made in open session. The motion died for a lack of a second.

Several more citizens asked questions before commissioners moved on with the meeting.

Accounts Payable

Chairman Lonie R. Addis made a motion to approve the following checks: Accounts Payable check numbers 25645 through 25771 in the amount of \$408,998.39. Brian C. Kinzie seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes).

Appraiser's Parcel Search Agreement – GN Bank

Commissioner Brian C. Kinzie made a motion to authorize the Chairman's signature on an Appraiser's Parcel Search Agreement between Labette County and GN Bank, Girard, KS. Their fee of \$225.00 has been paid. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes).

Executive Session

Commissioner Brian C. Kinzie made a motion to go into executive session for consultation with our attorney, a matter protected by the attorney-client privilege. 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), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes) Cole J. Proehl (Yes). Also present was County Counselor Brian K. Johnson, for fifteen minutes to reconvene at 10:57 a.m.

County Attorney Invoice Discussion

Commissioners and County Counselor discussed an unpaid invoice for former County Attorney Stephen Jones. It was agreed that County Counselor, Brian K. Johnson, would contact Mr. Jones for an itemized breakdown on the invoice.

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by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes). Also present was Christopher Lahey, for a period of ten minutes to reconvene at 11:28 a.m.

Sheriff Discussion Vehicles and Position Transfers

Sheriff Darren Eichinger met with Commissioners to discuss the plan for new vehicle purchase.

Commissioner Brian C. Kinzie made a motion to authorize the chairmen's signature on position transfers for sheriff staff. The position of administrative assistant and Records Clerk, will move from a Range 15 to 16, effective with the October pay period, then move to a Range 17, effective with the January 2022 pay period. Cole J. Proehl seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Lonie R. Addis (Yes), Brian C. Kinzie (Yes), Cole J. Proehl (Yes).

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Meeting Cancellation

Commissioners agreed to cancel the meeting for October 18th, 2021, due to being out of town for the KAC Conference.

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, October 25, 2021.

Attest

County Clerk, Gena Landis

Chairman, Lonie R. Addis