

Labette County Board of Commissioners
October 11, 2018

Convene

Chairman T. Douglas Allen called the special session of the Labette County Board of Commissioners to order at 8:01 a.m. on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at the Parsons Municipal Building, City Commission Room, 112 South 17th Street, Parsons. Attendance: Lonie R. Addis, Present: T. Douglas Allen, Present: Fred E. Vail, Present.

Media present

Colleen Williamson from the Parsons Sun.

Others in Attendance for the Meeting

Others in attendance were: Shawn Naccarato – PSU USI, Sydney Anselmi -PSU USI, Jim Zaleski – City of Parsons, Lisa Miller – DZI, Ann Charles, Daniel Mann, James McCarty, Kari West - Westar, Pam Henderson – Senator Moran’s Office, Charlie Morse (Labette County), Randy Robinson, Daryl Eagon – Diehl, Banwart, Bolton, CPA’s, Bob Wood – GPDA (LRA) Board Chairman, Gary Beachner – GPDA Board Vice-Chairman, Montie Taylor – GPDA (LRA) Board Sec/Treasurer, GPDA (LRA) Board Members – Dan Manners and Dan Peterson, Ex-Officio members – Debbie Lamb and Fred E. Vail (County Commissioner), Staff Members – Becky Dantic, Tim Peoples and Kevin Mitchelson, Attorney.

Special Meeting

This special meeting was with the Great Plains Development Authority Board and PSU-USI (Pittsburg State University – University Strategic Initiatives). The main object of the meeting was the presentation given by the PSU Strategic Initiatives; there were also updates on board members recommendations, Water Tower 2 rehab and A&R lease termination. An insert from the minutes of the Special GPDA meeting is listed below.

PSU Strategic Initiatives Presentation

Shawn Naccarato with the University of Strategic Initiatives at Pittsburg State University presented the final draft of a report that has been prepared after multiple meetings with the taskforce. The report includes background information on the park, takeaways after meetings with stakeholders, and strategic recommendations as Great Plains’ moves forward. The Great Plains’ Board of Directors and the Labette County Commission now have a chance to review the report and present any comments or suggested revisions to Bob Wood. The report will be finalized in time for the November 8 meeting. Commissioner Lonie Addis noted that re-negotiation of the MOA with Army is of the utmost importance. Wood noted that these discussions have be initiated and Addis stated his desire for the Commission to be actively involved as the matter progresses.

New Board member recommendations

Discussion continued on naming replacements to fill Board positions recently vacated by James McCarty, Tisha Mitchell, and Mike Reed. Wood noted that he has spoken with Ray Fees at Commercial Bank about interest he may have in joining the Board. Board members are encouraged to bring recommendations to the November board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

2017 Audit

Daryl Eagon of Diehl, Banwart, Bolton, CPAs, presented the audit for the year ending December 31, 2017. He provided a summary of Regulatory Basis Accounting and noted that there were no material or significant deficiencies found.

Taylor moved to approve the 2017 Audit. Beachner seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Ex-Officio member recommendations

Wood recommended that Kari West with Westar, and Pam Henderson of Senator Moran’s office both become new ex-officios on the Great Plains’ Board. Additionally, it was recommended that Commissioner Allen replace Commissioner Vail as an ex-officio member of the Board.

Taylor moved to appoint Kari West and Pam Henderson as new ex-officio members of the Board, and to replace Commissioner Vail with Commissioner Allen as an ex-officio member of the Board. Beachner seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Water Tower 2 rehab – change order #1

Peoples informed the Board that additional work will be required on water tower 2. When Maguire Iron commenced work on the tower, it was discovered that support rafters in the tower are broken and in need of repair. Additionally, small holes have been discovered that will require repair. The cost of the additional work totals \$49,047.81. The change order will be presented to EDA for consideration.

Taylor moved to approve change order #1 to Maguire Iron in the amount of \$49,047.81. Beachner seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

A&R lease termination

A&R recently delivered a notice of intent to terminate their lease on building 203 effective November 30, 2018. Beachner spoke with representatives of A&R who have stated that it is purely a financial business decision. A&R will be moving their powder-coating operation to a building they own in the Flynn Industrial Park in Parsons.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners the meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m. until 9:00 a.m., Monday, October 22, 2018.

Attest

County Clerk Peggy Minor

Chairman, T. Douglas Allen