

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARION COUNTY, KS**

December 31, 2020

Commission met for payday and other business at 9:00 a.m. in Commission chambers at the Marion County Courthouse with Chr. Jonah Gehring, Comm. Kent Becker, Comm. Randy Dallke, Comm. Dave Crofoot, and Comm. Dianne R. Novak present. Also present were Co. Clerk Tina Spencer and Commissioner-Elect David Mueller. Present for portions of the meeting were County staff, members of the public, and members of the press.

SALES TAX: Sales tax for the month October was received in the amount of \$70,000.24. Corrected totals for September in the amount of 72,906.25 and for August in the amount of \$73,196.07 were reviewed.

PAYDAY: A detailed list of expenditures by fund was reviewed. A report showing payments to Western Associates was reviewed.

- Gehring moved to approve payments to Western Associates in the amount of \$1,169.83. Becker seconded and motion carried 4-1 with 3 in favor, Crofoot abstaining due to conflict of interest, and Novak opposed (abstention counted with majority prevailing).
- Gehring moved to approve the grand total payables in the amount of \$1,240,167.17 (including payroll at \$548,838.29) (AP check #'s 50580-50833, voided checks #50618, 50829). Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- The cumulative comp time report was reviewed.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Change orders affecting the 2020 tax roll were reviewed and signed by the Board. Dallke moved to have legal counsel review the land bank change orders to verify that they are all qualified. Dallke rescinded his motion.

- Gehring moved to approve the minutes of December 28th. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Gehring moved to approve the minutes of December 30th. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Checks outstanding for more than two years were presented for write-off in the amount of \$767.04. Dallke moved to write off checks outstanding more than two years in the amount of \$767.04. Crofoot seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- The lease purchase paperwork with Community National Bank & Trust for the 2012 12M2 Caterpillar motor grader was presented for approval. Becker moved to approve the five-year lease agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign. Crofoot seconded and motion carried 5-0.

YEAR END BUSINESS: Encumbrances totaling \$162,783.08 were presented for review and approval. Gehring moved to approve the total encumbrances in the amount of \$162,783.08. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- Preliminary year-end budget information was reviewed. Becker moved to forego the final budgeted transfer from Road & Bridge to Special Equipment. Novak seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Gehring moved to approve a transfer from the General Fund to Risk Management in the amount of \$40,892.00. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Dallke moved to approve a transfer from the Noxious Weed fund to the Noxious Weed Capital Outlay fund in the amount of \$5,000.00.
- Gehring moved to re-classify \$497,660.40 of expenses from Road & Bridge Sales Tax to Capital Improvement.
- Gehring moved to transfer \$93,542.32 from Road & Bridge Sales Tax to Capital Improvement and \$327,397.00 from the General Fund to Capital Improvement. Crofoot seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Gehring moved to re-classify expenses from the Election fund to Risk Management and the General Fund in the amount of \$25,489.00. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Gehring moved to reclassify \$195,000 from the Transfer Station Project Fund to the Transfer Station budget (\$140,000.00) and the General Fund (\$55,000.00). Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Gehring moved to reclassify E911 expenses to the Jail Sales Tax fund. Becker seconded and motion carried 4-1 with Dallke opposed.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Emergency COVID sick and family leave was discussed. The program is no longer mandated by the federal government effective January 1, 2021, but can be continued as an optional program. After discussion, Crofoot moved to extend the COVID Emergency leave program until March 31, 2021 for all County employees. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- Gehring moved to approve FMLA leave for a qualified employee. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Comm. Becker expressed concerns on behalf of a constituent that the hours at the Transfer Station are still too restrictive, and the approach leading up to the garage doors is too steep.

- Becker noted that steps need to be taken to prevent the public from illegally dumping trash on the ground outside the facility.

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COMMISSION COMMENTS: Comm. Becker said that County employees that have been diligently working through the pandemic should be recognized, as it has been a stressful time.

- Dallke said he received a text message in appreciation of Transfer Station Dir. Josh Housman making special arrangements for the City of Hillsboro to haul the recycling over during a holiday closure.
- Dallke expressed thanks to the County Clerk from some constituents who are pleased with the way she handles her job duties.
- Dallke also expressed thanks to all the County employees and constituents.
- Gehring echoed Dallke's comments.
- Crofoot said that during 2020 the whole system stepped up to help everyone survive.

Gehring moved to adjourn. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

Jonah Gehring, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk