

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

December 28, 2020

Commission met in regular session 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 was Co. Clerk Tina Spencer. Present for portions of the meeting were County Counselor Brad Jantz, Commissioner-Elect David Mueller, County staff, members of the public and members of the press.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

**COVID-19 UPDATE:** Health Officer Diedre Serene reported 37 active cases and six hospitalizations. The County's rolling positivity rate is 21%.

**ADMINISTRATIVE:** Becker moved to approve the minutes of December 21<sup>st</sup>. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- Change orders affecting the 2020 tax roll were reviewed and signed by the Board.
- The Commission clarified that December 31<sup>st</sup> will be a regular workday for County employees.
- **Lease Purchase Bids – 2012 CAT 12M2 Grader:**

	<u>3 years</u>	<u>5 years</u>
Marion National Bank	1.99%	2.13%
Cottonwood Valley Bank	1.99%	2.14%
Community National Bank & Trust	1.91%	2.11%

Becker moved to accept the bid for a five-year lease purchase from Community National Bank & Trust at a rate of 2.11%. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- Gehring moved to approve early checks in the amount of \$3,063.00 (checks #50576-50577). Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- **Transport Fuel Bids:**

	Tank #3 <u>3,500 gals.</u>	Tank #1 <u>2,000 gals.</u>	Unleaded <u>2,500 gals.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Coop Grain, Hillsboro	2.0070	1.7510	1.6330	\$14,609.00
Epp's Service, Elbing	1.9980	1.7425	1.6580	\$14,623.00
MFA Oil, Tampa	no bid			

Gehring moved to accept the low bid from Cooperative Grain and Supply (in the amount of \$14,609.00). Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- **Area Fuel Bids:**

	Area 1 <u>1,400 gals.</u>	Area 2 <u>1,950 gals.</u>	Area 3 <u>1,950 gals.</u>
Epp's Service, Elbing	1.7590 = \$2,462.60	1.8990 = \$3,703.05	1.7490 = \$3,410.55
MFA Oil, Tampa	1.8350 = \$2,569.00	1.8150 = \$3,539.25	1.8450 = \$3,597.75
Coop Grain, Hillsboro	1.9510 = \$2,731.40	1.9510 = \$3,804.45	1.9510 = \$3,804.45

Gehring moved to accept the bid from Epp's Service for areas one and three and the bid from MFA Oil for area two. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.

**AMBULANCE:** Dir. Travis Parmley provided a sample Memorandum of Agreement for a tuition grant/scholarship. After discussion, Gehring moved to approve a scholarship for AEMT class (for Jeremy Sears) after successful completion of the course. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.

**COMMISSION COMMENTS:** Becker suggested implementing a 1.3% cost of living raise for employees in January, and noted that the pay plan should be addressed early in 2021. A cents per-hour raise was also discussed (instead of an across the board percentage). Spencer was directed to prepare some cost scenarios for the next meeting.

- Novak commented that the McPherson County Commission has now banned all wind turbines in McPherson County and has removed certain authorities from the Planning Commission there.
- Dallke noted that the vision of the Planning Commission needs to align with the vision of the governing body to be successful.

**COUNTY COUNSELOR:** Co. Counselor Brad Jantz joined the session at 10:15 a.m. Gehring moved to recess into executive session to discuss personnel performance pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters of non-elected personnel for 10 minutes with the Board and Jantz present (until 10:28 a.m.). Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.

Open session resumed with a motion by Gehring to recess into executive session to discuss personnel/performance pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters of non-elected personnel for 10 minutes with the Board and Jantz present (until 10:42 a.m.). Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with no action.

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December 28, 2020, Continued

**COUNTY COUNSELOR, CONTINUED:** Gehring moved to recess into executive session to discuss contract negotiation pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (2) for attorney/client consultation with the Board and Jantz present for 15 minutes (until 11:00 a.m.). Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with no action.

**ADMINISTRATIVE:** Chr. Gehring signed a Determination of Level of Review for Family Shoe Repair's CDBG-CV grant.

Gehring moved to adjourn. Novak seconded and motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk

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Jonah Gehring, Chairman