

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

December 28, 2021

Commission met in regular session at 12:30 p.m. in Commission chambers at the Marion County Courthouse with Chr. Randy Dallke, Comm. Kent Becker, Comm. Dave Crofoot, Comm. Jonah Gehring, and Comm. David Mueller present. Also present were Co. Clerk Tina Spencer and Co. Counselor Brad Jantz. Present for portions of the meeting were County staff, members of the public, and members of the press.

PUBLIC FORUM: There were no public comments.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Gehring moved to approve the minutes of December 20th. Crofoot seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- Change orders affecting 2021 and prior years' tax rolls were reviewed and signed by the Board.
- Salary sheets were signed for Dakota Bruckner, new Corrections Officer at \$15.36/hour effective 12/27/2021 and Tyler Bentz – rehired as Equipment Operator II in Road & Bridge at \$2,662.00/mo. effective 12/22/2021.
- Dallke moved to approve Pay Application #6 on the Heated Dock in the amount of \$27,269.61. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0.

AMBULANCE: Dir. Travis Parmley was present for a quarterly update. Statistics and accounts receivable were reviewed. Quarterly write-offs were presented in the amount of \$4,322.03. Gehring moved to approve the write-offs as presented. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.

CO. COUNSELOR: Dallke moved to recess into executive session to discuss potential litigation pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (2) for consultation with our attorney on matters deemed privileged under attorney/client privilege for 20 minutes with the Board, Co. Counselor Brad Jantz, and Spencer present until 1:15 p.m. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with no action.

- Dallke 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 with the Board and Jantz present until 1:35 p.m. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with no action.

KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES SPECIAL ELECTION: The upcoming special election for KAC was discussed. After discussion, Gehring moved that the County's voting delegate vote in favor of allowing the Kansas County Human Resource Association to become an affiliate member of KAC. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC FORUM: There were no public comments.

COMMISSION COMMENTS: Becker suggested official openings (ribbon cutting ceremony or similar) for the new heated dock and the EMS Station in Hillsboro.

- Becker noted that the ranch families affected by the recent fires in western Kansas are in need. The Department of Agriculture has a central clearinghouse website where they are coordinating donations of hay, fencing, etc. Becker said that monetary donations should be sent in care of the Southwind Bank in Natoma, Kansas. Becker encouraged Marion County residents to support the efforts if possible.
- Gehring asked what can be done to prevent multiple cell towers from being built right next to each other in the future (after the change in Kansas law took power away from individual government units in regard to regulation through zoning), and suggested that legislators probably should be contacted.
- Gehring asked whether Marion County should consider limiting or eliminating any future commercial wind farms in Marion County (not including those that have already been approved or begun the process according to Marion County Zoning Regulations). Jantz noted that it would be difficult to do that without also stopping current companies from applying for expansions, etc.

Dallke moved to adjourn. Mueller seconded and motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Randy Dallke - Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk