

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

January 10, 2022

Commission met in regular session at 12:30 p.m. in Commission chambers at the Marion County Courthouse with Chr. Randy Dallke, Comm. Dave Crofoot, Comm. Kent Becker, 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: Dave Yates commented about issues with people using a private drive at the County Lake as a shortcut from Dan Drive to the County Lake. Yates said the County needs to do something about the situation, and that he is opposed to a public road being added in the location.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS: Reorganization of the Board – Crofoot moved to appoint David Mueller as Chairman of the Board. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- Dallke moved to appoint Crofoot as Vice Chairman of the Board. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- An executive session for property acquisition was added to the agenda.
- Gehring moved to approve the minutes of December 28th, December 30th, and January 3rd as presented. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Change orders affecting the 2021 tax roll were reviewed and signed by the Board.
- Dallke moved to deposit funds in all banks in Marion County authorized by law. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0. Marion National Bank will be the working bank for 2022.
- Gehring moved to approve early checks in the amount of \$28,120.91 (checks #50316-50323; voided checks #55653 to 55659 TSB and #50317 MNB). Crofoot seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Gehring moved to approve Pay Application #6 for the EMS Station in the amount of \$150,278.46. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Gehring moved to approve an engagement letter with the Loyd Group and the release of information to Swindoll, Janzen, Hawk & Loyd. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Gehring moved to adopt Resolution 2022-01 – establishing the mileage rate for County business conducted in personal vehicles. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Gehring moved to adopt Resolution 2022-02 – establishing the salaries of elected officials of Marion County, Kansas for the year 2022. Crofoot seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Dallke moved to adopt Resolution 2022-03 – establishing the rate of compensation for election workers. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Gehring moved to adopt Resolution 2022-04 – authorizing participation in Rural Opportunity Zone student loan repayment program for 2022. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT: Becker moved to appoint Keith Jost to the Marion County Planning Commission / Board of Zoning Appeals for District One. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0.

AMBULANCE: Dir. Travis Parmley was present to discuss purchasing an ambulance under a cooperative purchasing agreement through ARV. ARV Representative Tim Leitnaker was also present. The Board requested an updated quote on or before January 24th.

INFORMATION/TECHNOLOGY UPDATE: Lloyd Davies with Great Plains Computers and Networking was present to discuss possible transition from in-house emails to subscription-based service. Davies also noted that the County's time clock program needs to be updated. Davies was instructed to supply additional information for a possible decision on January 18th.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Dir. Randy Frank joined the session. Completed and upcoming projects were discussed. Frank requested approval to apply for the All Hazards Regional Incident Management Team. Mueller moved to allow Randy Frank to apply for and serve on the Team. Crofoot seconded and motion carried 4-1 with Dallke opposed.

STORAGE DISCUSSION: Sheriff Robert Craft joined the session. Frank reported that the Chisholm Trail Extension District has agreed to allow the County to store some small items at their new building. The large tower trailer will be temporarily stored by Road & Bridge. Trailers and other equipment that will fit can be stored at the Marion County Fairgrounds temporarily. Craft noted that any remaining trailers will be stored behind the Sheriff's Office. The Board agreed that Comm. Gehring, Frank, and Craft should meet with the Fair Board to verify the amount of space available and agreement terms.

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REVIEW OF TAX SALE PROPOSALS: Co. Treasurer Susan Berg joined the session. The Board reviewed six proposals submitted for tax sale work. The Board will conduct a more detailed review next week and determine which firms to interview. Berg and Spencer will follow up with Counties listed as references and Jantz will follow up regarding process and timelines for each firm. No decisions were made.

ROAD & BRIDGE: Co. Engineer Brice Goebel was present for department business. Current and upcoming projects were discussed with no decision. A work session was scheduled for January 31st to discuss project priorities and funding.

- Mueller moved to recess into executive session to discuss potential litigation pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (2) for consultation with our attorney in matters deemed privileged under attorney/client privilege with the Co. Engineer, Co. Counselor, Co. Clerk and the Board present until 3:30 p.m. with open session to resume in Commission chambers following the closed session. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with no action.

PROPERTY ACQUISITION: Mueller moved to recess into executive session to discuss property acquisition pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (6) for preliminary discussion of acquisition of property with the Co. Clerk, Board, and Co. Counselor present until 3:40 p.m. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with no action.

- Mueller suggested that a committee be formed to determine space needs and options. Crofoot moved to form a “building committee” comprised of the Co. Sheriff, Emergency Management Dir., Public Health Director, Co. Clerk, Co. Engineer, and Planning/Zoning Dir., and Comm. Dallke. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0. Mueller clarified that this will be an information gathering committee, not a decision-making committee.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Gehring moved to approve a special payroll in the amount of \$937.85. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC FORUM: There were no public comments.

COMMISSION COMMENTS: Crofoot reported that KDWPT officials recently toured the new heated dock and will be featuring it in a quarterly publication.

Mueller moved to adjourn. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 3:52 p.m.

David Mueller, Chairman

ATTEST:

Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk

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RESOLUTION 2022 01

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE MILEAGE RATE FOR COUNTY BUSINESS
CONDUCTED IN PERSONAL VEHICLES.**

WHEREAS, Marion County provides county-owned vehicles to their employees when traveling for county business; and

WHEREAS, the designated county-owned vehicles are not always available and the employee must drive their personal vehicle for county business; and

WHEREAS, the standard mileage rate for businesses set by the Internal Revenue Service is currently at 58.5 cents per mile.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the mileage rate paid to County officials and County employees traveling on county business, in personal vehicles, be established at 58.5 cents per mile, effective January 1st, 2022.


This resolution, upon motion duly made and seconded, passed this 10th day of January, 2022.

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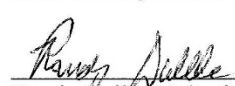
David Mueller, Chairman – District 2

☒ Yea
☐ Nay
☐ Abstain




Kent Becker, Member – District 1

☒ Yea
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Randy Dallke, Member – District 3

☒ Yea
☐ Nay
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Dave Crofoot, Member – District 4

☒ Yea
☐ Nay
☐ Abstain



Jonah Gehring, Member – District 5

☒ Yea
☐ Nay
☐ Abstain



ATTEST:



Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk

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RESOLUTION 2022-02

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SALARIES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS OF
MARION COUNTY, KANSAS FOR THE YEAR 2022.**

WHEREAS, Marion County, Kansas is a county municipal government and it is the duty of the County Commission to establish salaries on an annual basis for all elected officials; and

WHEREAS, non-elected department heads' salaries are set in accordance with the County's Compensation and Classification Policy; and

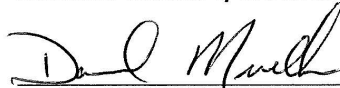
WHEREAS, the County Commission is now prepared to establish salaries for all elected County Officials in accordance with the County's Compensation and Classification Policy.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Kansas that the following salaries for elected County officials for the calendar year 2022 are hereby established effective for the January, 2022 pay period which began December 21, 2021:

County Attorney	\$67,416	County Sheriff	\$61,272
County Clerk	\$58,368	County Treasurer	\$53,544
County Commissioners	\$18,096	Register of Deeds	\$50,040


ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Marion County, Kansas this 10th day of January, 2022.

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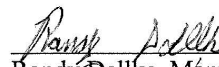
David Mueller, Chairman

☒ Yea
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Kent Becker, Member

☒ Yea
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Randy Dallke, Member

☒ Yea
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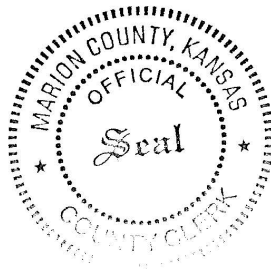
Dave Crofoot, Member

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Jonah Gehring, Member

☒ Yea
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ATTEST:


Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-03
COMPENSATION FOR ELECTION WORKERS**

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 25-2811(c) states that the pay of Election Judges and Clerks, additional pay for Supervising Judges and the rate for mileage reimbursement be set by resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the rate of pay for Election Workers shall be:

1. For Election Day Poll Site Judges and Clerks: \$150.00 per Election Day;
2. For Election Day Supervising Judges: \$200.00 per Election Day plus mileage to pick up and return ballots at prescribed County mileage rate;
3. For Advance and Resolution Board Judges and Clerks: \$11.00/hour;
4. For Advance and Resolution Board Supervising Judges: \$11.50/hour;
5. For Early In-Person Election Board Judges & Clerks: \$11.00/hour;
6. For Early In-Person Election Board Supervising Judges: \$11.50/hour;
7. For Audit Board Judges and Clerks: \$12.00/hour;
8. For Audit Board Supervising Judges: \$12.50/hour;
9. A flat fee of \$20.00 shall be paid for attending required training courses.
10. Additional mileage may be paid at prescribed County rate if a poll worker is required to work outside their normal jurisdiction.

LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that this change in compensation shall become effective January 10, 2022 and shall be in effect until changed by the Marion County Board of Commissioners.

Adopted and approved on this 10th day of January, 2022 by the **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MARION COUNTY, KANSAS**


David Mueller, Chairman – District 2

☒ Yea
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Kent Becker, Member – District 1

☒ Yea
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Randy Dallke, Member – District 3

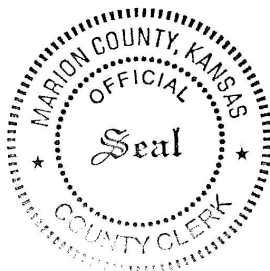
☒ Yea
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Dave Crofoot, Member – District 4

☒ Yea
☐ Nay
☐ Abstain


Jonah Gehring, Member – District 5

☒ Yea
☐ Nay
☐ Abstain



ATTEST:

Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk

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Resolution No. 2022-04

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF MARION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZING
PARTICIPATION IN RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM
CALENDAR YEAR 2022**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF MARION COUNTY, KANSAS,

Section 1. Pursuant to K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 74-50,223, the Board of County Commissioners expressed its intent to participate in the Rural Opportunity Zone (ROZ) student loan repayment program.

Section 2. Marion County has been designated a Rural Opportunity Zone pursuant to K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 74-50,222. As of July 1, 2021, the County population was 11,884 as certified by the Kansas Department of Revenue.

Section 3. Marion County Commissioners hereby obligate Marion County to participate in the ROZ student loan repayment program as provided by K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 74-50,223 for a period of five years, which shall be irrevocable.

Section 4. Marion County agrees to pay in equal shares with the State of Kansas the outstanding student loan balance of any resident individual for five years if the resident individual meets the terms of qualification provided by the State of Kansas in K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 74-50,223, and the appropriate rules and regulations. The number of qualified resident individuals receiving such payments will be subject to the availability of funds.

Section 5. Marion County intends to enter into partnerships with Cities, Employers, and Foundations for the direct sponsorship of Rural Opportunity Zone Applicants. Sponsored Applicants must meet all qualifications of the ROZ program. All sponsorships will be subject to ROZ student loan repayment rules and regulations.

Section 6. The maximum student loan balance for each qualified resident individual to be repaid jointly by Marion County and the State of Kansas shall be \$15,000 over a term of five years.

Section 7. Marion County shall allocate \$4,500 a year for the purpose of matching payments from the State of Kansas to qualified resident individuals. Marion County shall revise its ROZ budget on an annual basis submitting a new Resolution to the State of Kansas by January 30th each year. Marion County shall submit their obligation in full to the Department of Commerce before the first day of October each year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be published once in the official county newspaper and shall be in effect from and after its date of publication.

Adopted this 10 day of Jan 20 22 by the Board of Marion County Commissioners, Marion County, Kansas.

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RESOLUTION 2022-04 SIGNATURE PAGE

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☒ Yea

☐ Nay

☐ Abstain

David Mueller

David Mueller, Chairman – District 2

☒ Yea

☐ Nay

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Kent Becker

Kent Becker, Member – District 1

☒ Yea

☐ Nay

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Randy Dallke

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Dave Crofoot, Member – District 4

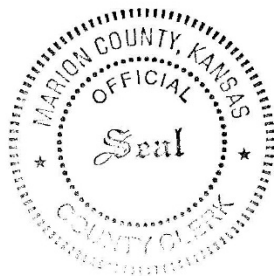
☒ Yea

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Jonah Gehring

Jonah Gehring, Member – District 5



ATTEST:

Tina D. Spencer
Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk