

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

August 8, 2022

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

**PUBLIC FORUM:** Tom Britain announced that he will be running by write-in for County Commissioner 4<sup>th</sup> District. Britain said that the Conditional Use Permit for the Doyle project expired in April and asked by what authority the windmill project is continuing.

- Bob Gayle restated the question and asked for an explanation to the public on the subject. Mueller noted that the Board will get an answer to Gayle.

**ADMINISTRATIVE:** Gehring moved to approve the minutes of July 29<sup>th</sup>. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- Gehring moved to approve early checks in the amount of \$36,505.22 (check #s 52005-52009). Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- The Appraiser's grade card information from the State of Kansas was reviewed.
- Invoices from 4PC for the security camera project were presented for approval. Gehring moved to approve the invoice ending in 907 in the amount of \$28,943.39 and the invoice ending in 908 in the amount of \$6,328.66. Crofoot seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Salary sheets were signed: Megan Chizek from full time to part time 911 Dispatcher effective 7/30/2022 with no change in pay; Evan Moore – change from full time to part time Paramedic effective 8/5/2022 with no change in pay; Teagan Decker – new EMT-B at \$12.89/hour effective 7/20/2022; Matthew Williams – change from volunteer to part time EMT-B at \$12.89/hour effective 7/18/2022.
- The Board agreed to allow County employees to participate in the Marion County Leadership program during work time without using paid leave and for the County to pay the \$50.00 fee.
- Mueller moved to recess into executive session to review Emergency Management Director applications pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters of non-elected personnel with the Board and Spencer present for 10 minutes until 12:56 p.m. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with no action.

**WEED/HHW/TRANSFER STATION/RECYCLING:** Dir. Josh Housman presented the Solid Waste Management Plan for approval. Gehring moved to approve the Solid Waste Management Plan. Becker seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Housman presented bids for a new walking-floor trailer:

KNL Holdings/STECO	\$92,825.00
Wilkens Manufacturing	\$99,778.00

After discussion, Dallke moved to accept the bid from STECO in the amount of \$92,825.00. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- After discussion, Gehring moved to implement a \$20.00 offload fee (with waiver of liability) for the transfer station. Dallke seconded and motion carried 4-1 with Becker opposed.

**PLANNING/ZONING/ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH:** Dir. Sharon Omstead presented the most recent monitoring report / information from the former Marion County landfill site.

- Mueller 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, Omstead, and Spencer present for 10 minutes until 1:39 p.m. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with no action.

**ROAD & BRIDGE:** Co. Engineer Brice Goebel was present for department business. Upcoming and ongoing projects were discussed with no action.

- Goebel requested approval of Pay Application #2 to Cornejo & Sons, LLC on the Indigo project, and noted that there is an asphalt price adjustment on the contract in the amount of \$23,794.95. Mueller moved to approve Pay Application #2 in the amount of \$805,408.20. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Goebel requested approval of an invoice from EBH Engineering for inspection services on the Indigo project in the amount of \$20,690.63. Mueller moved to pay the invoice from the Capital Improvement fund. Gehring seconded and motion carried 4-1 with Becker opposed.
- Goebel presented recommendations for possible bridge and cost share projects.
- Goebel noted that the department is looking at a new software program to improve efficiency and requested it be placed on the agenda for further discussion.

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**AMBULANCE:** Interim Dir. Chuck Kenney presented a quote for interior painting of the EMS office building from Hett Carpentry in the amount of \$8,000.00. After discussion, Mueller moved to approve the quote. Crofoot seconded and motion carried 4-1 with Becker opposed.

Bids for removal of the asbestos tile in the building were reviewed:

Supreme Floor Company	\$2,250.00
ACM Removal, LLC	\$9,950.00

Becker moved to approve the bid from Supreme Floor Company in the amount of \$2,250.00. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- Kenney presented an education grant proposal for the EMS Department. Dallke moved to move forward with the educational proposal and grant program as presented. Crofoot seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Kenney presented a proposed vacation/sick leave program specific to the EMS Department. After discussion, Becker moved to approve proposal option #1 as presented. Mueller seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- A hospital assist policy implementing a fee of \$700.00 to hospitals when they request medical assistance from Marion County EMS. Mueller moved to approve the Hospital Assist Policy. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- The Transfer Policy was presented for review. After discussion, Becker moved to accept the transfer policy with additional wording added that the County will re-evaluate the 60-mile distance limit if /when the EMS staffing level is consummate to that service. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0. (Discussion indicated that three full-time ambulance staffing level would be preferred.)
- The pay scale for EMS medical personnel was discussed at length. Dallke moved to change the current hourly wage for an EMT-B to \$15.26/hour; AEMT to \$16.81/hour and Paramedic to \$19.48/hour. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Mueller 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, Kenney and Spencer present for 15 minutes until 4:05 p.m. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with no action.

**COMMISSION COMMENTS:** Gehring noted that Jo Ottensmeier will replace him at the County Canvass on Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup>. Becker said he has asked Co. Appraiser Nicole Reid to serve in his place.

- Mueller thanked the Clerk's office and all the election workers for all their hard work on the Primary Election.

Gehring moved to adjourn. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 4:08 p.m.

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David Mueller, Chairman

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