

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

January 29, 2021

Commission met for payday and other business at 9:00 a.m. in Commission chambers at the Marion County Courthouse with Chr. Randy Dallke, Comm. Kent Becker, Comm. David Mueller, Comm. Dave Crofoot, and Comm. Jonah Gehring 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 COMMENTS: None.

COVID-19 UPDATE: Health Officer Diedre Serene discussed the vaccine Point of Distribution (POD) event that was held on January 26th. The event ran smoothly, and received good comments. The Board thanked everyone involved.

PAYDAY: A detailed list of expenditures by fund was reviewed. A report showing payments to Western Associates was reviewed. Gehring moved to approve payment to Western Associates in the amount of \$394.54. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0 with 4 in favor and Crofoot abstaining due to conflict of interest. (Abstention counted with majority prevailing.)

- Becker moved to approve the grand total payday in the amount of \$1,351,117.19 (including payroll at \$575,319.66) (checks #52634-52868; voided checks #52845-52846; 52668). Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- The cumulative comp time report was reviewed.

SALES TAX: Sales tax for the month of November, 2020 was received in the amount of \$66,922.43.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Gehring moved to have Chr. Dallke sign an updated bank signature card. Crofoot seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- Change orders affecting 2020 and prior years' tax rolls were reviewed and signed by the Board.
- Gehring moved to approve the minutes of January 25th as presented. Mueller seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- The Board decided to hold a regular meeting on Monday, February 1st.
- A salary sheet was signed for Shannon Allen – six month raise as Equipment Operator II from \$2,538.00/mo. to \$2,586.00/mo. effective 1/3/2021.
- Crofoot moved to change the employee evaluation period to January 1st to December 31st each year with forms sent out mid-February and due in mid-March, except that the evaluations performed in February/March 2021 will cover the period of October, 2019 through December 31, 2020. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Planning/Zoning Dir. Sharon Omstead thanked the Board for attending the annual dinner for the Planning Commission, and for their support.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: Comm. Gehring requested that future County help wanted ads reflect language to indicate that the department seeks to fill an open position. He noted that a recent ad caused confusion with some members of the public who thought the County was adding additional positions.

- Crofoot indicated that Midway Motors has agreed to provide a volunteer to assist with the POD next week.
- Mueller suggested that when the Commission holds their strategic planning meeting that department heads be included in the first session.

PERSONNEL DISCUSSION: 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 present for 15 minutes until 12:40 p.m. with open session to resume in Commission chambers following the closed session. Crofoot seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with no action.

- Gehring moved that POD setups have Diedre (Serene) in charge, with Marcy (Hostetler) as a direct associate / secretary to Diedre on these PODS, and Randy Frank run support in anything that they ask of him. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0.

Dallke moved to adjourn. Crofoot seconded and motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Randy Dallke, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk