

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

January 25, 2021

Commission met in regular session 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 Co. Counselor Brad Jantz (via teleconference), County staff, members of the public, and members of the press.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

COVID-19 UPDATE: Health Officer Diedre Serene reported 62 active cases, six hospitalizations, six deaths, and a rolling positivity rate of 14.7%. A vaccine point of distribution (POD) will be held January 26th. Additional PODs may be held in coming weeks. The Board authorized meal costs for the PODs to be paid from the Risk Management fund.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Change orders affecting the 2020 tax roll were reviewed and signed by the Board.

- Salary sheets were signed: Jonathon Benavidez – new Corrections Officer at \$13.08/hour effective 1/11/2021; Kirshaw Stevens, new Equipment Operator I for R&B Blacktop at \$2,267.00/mo. effective 1/4/2021; Steve Hudson – Interim R&B Supt. from \$3,022.00/mo. to \$3,813.00/mo. effective 1/19/2021.
- Gehring moved to approve the minutes of January 19th as written. Mueller seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Dallke moved to adopt Resolution 2021-03 (rescinding Resolution 2021-02 and) correcting the salaries of elected officials for 2021. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Becker moved to approve a grant application through the Health Department for the Safe Kids program. Mueller seconded and motion carried 5-0. Chr. Dallke signed the application.
- An encumbrance for the 2020 budget for a video surveillance upgrade at the jail in the amount of \$114,800.00 was tabled until the Sheriff was present.

ROAD & BRIDGE: Co. Engineer Brice Goebel presented Area Fuel Bids and Transport Fuel Bids for review:

Area Fuel Bids	Area 1 1,400 gals.	Area 2 1,950 gals.	Area 3 1,950 gals.
Epp's Service, Elbing	1.8350 = \$2,569.00	1.9350 = \$3,773.25	1.8300 = \$3,568.50
MFA Oil, Tampa	1.9250 = \$2,695.00	1.9250 = \$3,753.75	1.9450 = \$3,792.75
Cooperative Grain, Hillsboro	1.9870 = \$2,781.80	1.9870 = \$3,874.65	1.9870 = \$3,874.65

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

Transport Fuel Bids	Tank #3 4,000 gals.	Tank #1 1,500 gals.	Unleaded 2,500 gals.	Total
Epp's Service, Elbing	2.1540	1.8850	1.7773	\$15,886.75
MFA Oil, Tampa	2.0044	1.7620	1.9432	\$15,518.60
Cooperative Grain, Hillsboro	2.0530	1.7970	1.7848	\$15,369.50

Becker moved to accept the bid from Cooperative Grain in the amount of \$15,369.50. Gehring seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

DEPARTMENT ON AGING: Dir. Gayla Ratzlaff provided a quarterly update.

SHERIFF: Sheriff Robert Craft made a statement to the Board expressing frustration at the environment in the Commission meetings in the past. Craft said that he intends to limit his attendance and participation at Commission meetings until there is a more professional atmosphere. Craft said he is glad to visit with any Commissioner at any time he is available.

- The jail video project was discussed. Craft said he would return with the current cost information for the encumbrance.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Dallke moved to adopt Resolution 2021-04 (rescinding Resolution 2021-01 and amending the mileage rate for County business conducted in personal vehicles). Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0.

AMBULANCE BUILDING DISCUSSION: Ambulance Dir. Travis Parmley said the approximate cost for a new ambulance building at the proposed Hillsboro site would be \$400,000.00 to \$450,000.00. After additional discussion Mueller moved that the County Commission pursue purchasing the land offered by the City of Hillsboro on Ash Street for the purpose of constructing an ambulance station, with communications to go through the County Clerk and the purchase and final size of the parcel determined after approval of the building plan at a cost not to exceed \$1.00. Becker seconded. Gehring proposed an amendment that the property would allow the County to have a stand-alone building. Mueller accepted the amendment. Crofoot seconded and amendment carried 5-0. The initial motion with the amendment then carried 5-0. Parmley was directed by the Board to develop preliminary building plans.

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PARK & LAKE: Supt. Isaac Hett was present. Possible development of longer-term camp sites west of the Lake Hall was discussed. No action was taken. Hett requested an executive session be held to discuss the heated dock with Co. Counselor Brad Jantz. The Board agreed to add the session to the end of the agenda.

WEED/HHW/TRANSFER STATION/RECYCLING: Dir. Josh Housman presented a salary sheet for Transfer Station Truck Driver Darrel Schroeder at \$2,667.00/mo. effective 1/25/2021, which was signed by the Board.

- Transfer station business hours and services were discussed with no action. Hours of service are currently 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the south windows, and 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. for the tipping floor, plus Saturday morning hours. The consensus of the Board was to re-evaluate on June 1st.

ADMINISTRATIVE: The amount of the encumbrance for the jail video project was confirmed. Dallke moved to encumber \$114,800.00 (\$40,000 from General/Jail; \$13,500 from General/Sheriff and \$61,300.00 from Jail Sales Tax). Mueller seconded and motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

COMMISSION COMMENTS: Comm. Mueller suggested that the Board hold a strategic planning session with Wichita State University Public Policy & Management Center. Mueller suggested two ½ day sessions to help identify needs and propose strategy for the future. Mueller named four specific topics that he feels are important to discuss: county administrator, space & building needs, roads and bridges, and economic development. The Board directed the County Clerk to contact WSU for scheduling.

PARK & LAKE: Dallke moved to recess into executive session for 15 minutes, until 12:10 p.m. to discuss contract negotiation pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (2) for attorney/client consultation with the Board, Hett, and Co. Counselor Brad Jantz present with open session to resume in Commission chambers following the closed session. Gehring seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with no action. Comm. Mueller left the meeting.

Dallke moved to adjourn. Gehring seconded and motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

Randy Dallke, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk

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RESOLUTION 2021-03

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SALARIES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS OF
MARION COUNTY, KANSAS FOR THE YEAR 2021.**

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.

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 2021 are hereby established effective December 21, 2020: (And Resolution 2021-02 is rescinded.)

County Attorney	\$56,220	County Sheriff	\$58,320
County Clerk	\$55,752	County Treasurer	\$53,184
County Commissioner	\$18,096	Register of Deeds	\$44,940

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Marion County, Kansas this 25th day of January, 2021.

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Randy Dallke, Chairman

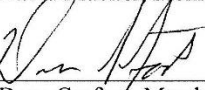
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Kent Becker, Member

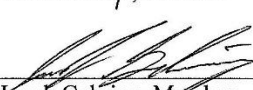
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David Mueller, Member

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Dave Crofoot, Member

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Jonah Gehring, Member

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ATTEST:


Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk

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RESOLUTION 2021 - 04

**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 56.0 cents per mile.


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Resolution 2021-01 is hereby rescinded and the mileage rate paid to County officials and County employees traveling on county business, in personal vehicles, be established at 56.0 cents per mile, effective January 1st, 2021.

This resolution, upon motion duly made and seconded, passed this 25th day of January, 2021.

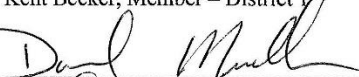
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Randy Dallke, Chairman – District 3

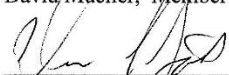
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Kent Becker, Member – District 1


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David Mueller, Member – District 2

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Dave Crofoot, Member – District 4

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Jonah Gehring, Member – District 5

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ATTEST:


Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk