

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

January 19, 2021

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There were no public comments at the beginning or the end of the meeting.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT:** Dir. Diedre Serene provided a COVID-19 update, reporting 94 active cases, four hospitalizations, and six deaths. The rolling positivity rate is 14.7%.

- Serene clarified that there has been extensive collaboration between the Health Department and Marion County healthcare providers regarding vaccine administration.
- Potential phases for Marion County vaccine distribution were discussed with no action.
- The Board agreed not to charge an administration fee for COVID-19 vaccinations.

**ADMINISTRATIVE:** Change orders affecting 2020 and prior years' tax rolls were reviewed and signed by the Board. Dallke abstained from signing on properties in which he has a direct interest.

- Gehring moved to approve the minutes of January 11<sup>th</sup> as presented. Crofoot seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Dallke moved to adopt Resolution 2021-01 (establishing the mileage rate for County business conducted in personal vehicles). Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Dallke moved to adopt Resolution 2021-02 (establishing the salaries for Marion County elected officials for 2021). Mueller seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Becker moved to approve early checks totaling \$486.15 (Tampa State Bank check #'s 52731-52733). Crofoot seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Outside board appointments were reviewed. Gehring moved to appoint Comm. Mueller to serve on the 8<sup>th</sup> District Community Corrections Board and the North Central Kansas Regional Juvenile Detention Board. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0. All other outside board appointments will remain the same for now.
- The Board agreed to have McGrath Human Resources Group present information to the Board regarding the pay plan developed in 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$300.00.

**ROAD & BRIDGE:** Co. Engineer Brice Goebel was present for department business.

- Becker moved to approve the engineering agreement with BG Consultants (for bridge replacement project #057-C-5070-01 (FFY2022)) at a cost not to exceed \$46,500.00 and to authorize the Chairman to sign. Mueller seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Gehring moved to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the code of conduct (for project #057-C-5070-01). Mueller seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Road & Bridge Supt. Jesse Hamm thanked the Board for their support during his employment. Hamm has taken a position elsewhere.
- Utility Permit 2021-01 for 3D Trenching & Backhoe LLC to install 1 ¼" water line under Golden Rod northwest of Durham in Section 8-18-02 was signed by Chr. Dallke.
- Goebel indicated repairs to the Volvo motor grader are likely to cost a significant amount.
- Bids to crush 39,000 tons of concrete were reviewed:
 

o Asphalt Paving & Maintenance, LLC	\$198,900.00
o Bob Bergkamp Construction Co.	\$252,988.00
o Midwest Concrete Materials, Inc.	\$264,900.00
o Heartstone	\$348,370.00
o Fremar Corporation	\$351,000.00

Becker moved to award the bid to Asphalt Paving & Maintenance in the amount of \$198,900.00. Crofoot seconded and motion carried 5-0.

- Goebel requested an executive session for five minutes to discuss personnel/performance. Dallke moved to recess into executive session to discuss personnel/performance with the Board and Goebel present pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters of non-elected personnel until 10:37 a.m. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with a motion by Dallke to promote Steve Hudson to Interim Road & Bridge Superintendent, effective immediately, at a rate of \$22.00/hour with the position to be posted both internally and externally. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- The R&B Supt. job description was reviewed. Several changes were recommended by Goebel. Gehring moved to approve the Road & Bridge Superintendent job description with proposed changes. Mueller seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- After discussion, Dallke moved to accept the bid (for the Nighthawk rebuild project) from Coughlin Company, Inc. in the amount of \$2,653,500.00 to be paid from Capital Improvement. Gehring seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

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**PLANNING/ZONING/ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH:** Dir. Sharon Omstead noted that several positions on the Planning Commission / Board of Zoning Appeals need to be filled for 2021.

- Mueller moved to re-appoint William Kroupa for District 2. Crofoot seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- Gehring moved to re-appoint Dwight Flaming for District 5. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Gehring moved to extend the term of Jim Schmidt (District 5) for one year. Becker seconded and motion carried 5-0.
- Dallke indicated that he is looking for someone interested / willing to serve in the vacant seat for District 3.

**WEED/HHW/TRANSFER STATION/RECYCLING:** Dir. Josh Housman requested an executive session to discuss personnel/hiring for five minutes. Dallke moved to recess into executive session to discuss personnel/hiring with Housman and the Board present for five minutes pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters of non-elected personnel until 11:31 a.m. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with a motion by Dallke to recess into executive session to discuss personnel/hiring with Housman and the Board present pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters of non-elected personnel until 11:43 a.m. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with no action.

- The Board agreed to send a letter to the McPherson County Commission to see if they are willing to provide trash pickup services to unserved areas in Marion County after the recent cancellation of services by a private hauler.

**CO. TREASURER:** Co. Treasurer Jeannine Bateman presented a report of cash on hand as of December 31, 2020.

- Bateman requested to purchase a cash counting machine from File Safe in the amount of \$3,715.00 to be paid from vehicle funds. The Board expressed no objections.

**TRANSIENT GUEST TAX DISCUSSION:** City of Marion Economic Development Dir. Randy Collett requested that the County allow the City of Marion to opt out of the County Transient Guest Tax and adopt their own Ordinance. After discussion, Mueller moved to permit the City of Marion to opt out of the original County Transient Guest Tax resolution and have (the County's) legal counsel pursue that. Crofoot seconded and motion carried 4-1 with Dallke opposed.

**APPRAISER:** Co. Appraiser Carl Miller, Assistant Appraiser Nicole Reid, and Deputy Appraiser Brian Frese were present for department business. An executive session to discuss hiring was requested. Dallke moved to recess into executive session to discuss personnel/hiring for 10 minutes (until 12:25) with Miller, Reid, Frese and the Board present pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Gehring seconded and motion carried 5-0. Open session resumed with no action. Department tasks, deadlines, and compliance were reviewed.

**CHISHOLM TRAIL EXTENSION DISTRICT – OFFICE SPACE DISCUSSION:** Rickey Roberts and Lyman Adams joined the session. Dallke indicated that no agreement was ever discussed regarding office space for the Extension District. (Prior to the formation of the District, Marion County has provided office space at no cost.) No action was taken. In the future the District may need to pay rent or locate an alternate space. The matter will be reviewed in six months.

**AMBULANCE BUILDING DISCUSSION:** Communication received from Hillsboro City Officials indicated willingness to sell a building plot for a new ambulance station, with the stipulation that if, in the future, the County decides to sell the property that the City would have first right of refusal. Discussion ensued about whether building a new station or renovating an existing building would be better. The matter was tabled until January 25<sup>th</sup>.

**COMMISSION COMMENTS:** Crofoot indicated that he and Park & Lake Superintendent Isaac Hett are planning to go and see the progress on the heated dock construction. Crofoot requested that a discussion about allowing longer-term camping in several sites behind the Lake Hall be placed on the agenda within the next couple of weeks.

**AMBULANCE – PERSONNEL DISCUSSION:** Dallke moved to recess into executive session to discuss personnel/performance with Parmley and the Board present pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (1) for personnel matters of non-elected personnel until 1:28 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.

Gehring moved to adjourn. Dallke seconded and motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 1:29 p.m.

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Randy Dallke, Chairman

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

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**RESOLUTION 2021 - 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 57.5 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 57.5 cents per mile, effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

This resolution, upon motion duly made and seconded, passed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MARION COUNTY, KANSAS**

Randy Dalke  
Randy Dalke, Chairman – District 3

☒ Yea  
☐ Nay  
☐ Abstain

Kent Becker  
Kent Becker, Member – District 1

☒ Yea  
☐ Nay  
☐ Abstain

David Mueller  
David Mueller, Member – District 2

☒ Yea  
☐ Nay  
☐ Abstain

Dave Crofoot  
Dave Crofoot, Member – District 4

☒ Yea  
☐ Nay  
☐ Abstain

Jonah Gehring  
Jonah Gehring, Member – District 5

☒ Yea  
☐ Nay  
☐ Abstain

ATTEST:

Tina D. Spencer  
Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk



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**RESOLUTION** 2021-02

**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:

County Attorney	\$56,220	County Sheriff	\$58,320
County Clerk	\$55,752	County Treasurer	\$53,184
County Commissioner	\$18,720	Register of Deeds	\$44,940

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Marion County, Kansas this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MARION COUNTY, KANSAS**

Randy Dallke  
Randy Dallke, Chairman

☒ Yea  
☐ Nay  
☐ Abstain

Kent Becker  
Kent Becker, Member

☒ Yea  
☐ Nay  
☐ Abstain

David Mueller  
David Mueller, Member

☒ Yea  
☐ Nay  
☐ Abstain

Dave Crofoot  
Dave Crofoot, Member

☒ Yea  
☐ Nay  
☐ Abstain

Jonah Gehring  
Jonah Gehring, Member

☒ Yea  
☐ Nay  
☐ Abstain

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

