

The Board of Logan County Commissioners met on Monday, June 20, 2022. Those present were Commissioners Cody Younkin, David Hubert and Cameron Edwards. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Cody Younkin.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Edwards to approve the agenda with the addition of Colin Williams at 8:45 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Dawn Gabel representing OPTIONS (Domestic and Sexual Violence Services) met with the Board requesting 2023 budget consideration of \$2,500.00 and went over the services they offer to Logan County. They provided 21 services for sexual assault in Logan County in 2021. Gabel stated they are available 24/7 for 365 days a year.

Colin Williams met with the Board asking them to consider county participation in the Rural Opportunity Zone (ROZ). The Board made him aware that they do participate in the program, but it only allows employers in the community the opportunity to sponsor their employees. Williams asked the Board to consider the county budgeting money to match the state's contribution. The Board agreed to consider his request but suggested that he check with his employer to see if they would sponsor him.

Will Arthur with Nestled Insurance met with the Board to go over his Attentive Platform that his company offers to employees. The Board agreed to discuss at a later date.

Jay Ochs joined the meeting.

Aimee Zimmerman and Rachelle Horinek with Logan County Hospital met with the Board to give an update on the hospital. Zimmerman shared they are doing fairly well with staffing and are sticking with their covid restrictions that are in place. She also shared they received the feasibility study back to build a new hospital and it has been submitted to the USDA and are waiting to hear back from them. They stated they will come back to a future meeting before they meet with the public to give ideas on what to do with the current hospital if a new one is built.

Noxious Weed Director Denny Mackley met with the Board to give a quick update on his budget request for 2023. Mackley said with the price of chemical and fuel going up, he submitted an increase in his 2023 budget. He said he's been told that chemicals will go up another 20-40% next year.

Register of Deeds Joyce Bosserman met with the Board asking permission to hire a temporary fill-in person for her office to help cover when needed. She is estimating maybe 2-3 days per month. It was the consensus of the Board to allow her to hire a fill-in at \$16.00/hr.

The Board discussed credit cards for the EMS Department. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Edwards to apply for two credit cards with Banker's Bank of Kansas for \$1,500.00 each for the EMS Department. Motion carried 3-0.

County Treasurer Jennie Schoenberger met with the Board to discuss the business account at Peoples State Bank that is no longer accruing interest. She asked permission to transfer them to a money market account where they will accrue interest. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Hubert to move the money into a money market account at Peoples State Bank. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board discussed the public comments heard at the road viewing and the request from landowner Jay Ochs to open a new road  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile on Road 240 & Jayhawk by Russell Springs. This proposed road would begin at the Southeast Corner of Section Seventeen (17) in Township Fourteen (14), Range Thirty-five (35) going west three quarters ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of a mile. It was the consensus of the Board to not open a new road at this location.

Jay Ochs left the meeting.

The Board phoned Andrew Loecker with Imagine IT to discuss the letter received for inflation increase as well as a few items of concern with the IT service for the county.

The Board reviewed the Warrant Register dated June 10, 2022 as follows: General \$110,824.50; County Health \$1,681.73; Road & Bridge \$37,243.11; Noxious Weed \$7,007.50; Prairie Dog \$30,000.00; Fire \$619.47; EMS \$19,497.58; Capital Improvement Fund \$601,902.46; Equipment Reserve Fund \$52,061.70; Drug Forfeiture \$1,139.40 and Payroll Clearing \$3,529.29 for a total of \$865,506.74. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Edwards to approve the Warrant Register as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

The minutes from June 6, 2022 meeting were reviewed. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 2-0. Commissioner Hubert abstained due to being absent that meeting.

The minutes from June 8, 2022 road viewing were reviewed. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Edwards to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

County Attorney Craig Uhrich along with Fred Wassemler, Jerry Acton and Tom Johnson with Monument Township met with the Board. At 11:06 a.m. it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Hubert to go into executive session for 40 minutes for attorney-client privilege. Motion carried 3-0. Those present in the session were Commissioners Edwards, Hubert and Younkin, Uhrich, Wassemler, Acton, Johnson and County Clerk Crystal Rucker. The Board returned to open meeting at 11:46 a.m. with no action taken.

Jim Carlson with Stillwater Technical Solutions met with the Board to discuss Prairie Dog control along the Butte Creek Ranch.

The Board reviewed the Annual Appraisal Contract agreement between the County and Sunflower Appraisal that runs from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 for \$35,800.00. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Hubert respectively to sign the agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

County Treasurer Jennie Schoenberger joined the meeting again to discuss purchasing the RVI scanning software for her office and incorporating it into her 2023 budget. It was the consensus of the Board to get quotes on how much the software will cost.

The Board discussed the 2023 budget request from each department.

Discussion was held regarding grain bag disposal at the landfill.

There being no further business discussed it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Hubert respectively to adjourn the meeting at 1:30 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 5, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_