

The Board of Logan County Commissioners met on Monday, February 6, 2023 at the Winona Weed Department. Those present were Commissioners David Hubert, Cameron Edwards and Cody Younkin. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman David Hubert.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board reviewed the Warrant Register dated January 31, 2023 as follows: General \$21,676.20; County Health \$3,318.42; Road & Bridge \$9,447.76; Noxious Weed \$2,587.83; Prairie Dog \$840.00; Employee Benefits \$1,000.00; EMS \$2,119.87; County Bond & Interest \$8,032.50; Special Sheriff Fund \$225.00 and Payroll Clearing \$3,185.39 for a total of \$52,432.97. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin to approve the Warrant Register as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board reviewed the 37 hours of overtime for the Weed Department; 8.5 hours of overtime for the Road Department and 47 hours of overtime for the EMS Department in January.

The Board reviewed the January 31, 2023 Payroll Register as follows: General \$45,425.98; County Health \$9,985.07; Road & Bridge \$18,499.19; Noxious Weed \$4,213.82; Fire \$461.10 and EMS \$16,098.56 for a total of \$94,683.72. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin respectively to approve the Payroll Register as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

The minutes from the January 23, 2023 meeting were reviewed. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Younkin and Edwards to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

At 8:50 a.m. the Board recessed the meeting to drive to the Road Viewing.

The Board reconvened at 9:00 a.m. for a Road Viewing at the proposed site. Those present were Commissioners David Hubert, Cameron Edwards and Cody Younkin along with several community members. The purpose of the meeting was to view the proposed closing starting at Highway 40 on County Road 230 in Winona Township. Discussion was held and it was the consensus of the Board to hold off on any more discussion until the proper paperwork is submitted to the Board and more questions get answered. The road viewing was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

At 9:50 a.m. the Board reconvened back at the Weed Department.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin respectively to approve the 2022 Annual Reports for McAllaster, Lees, Western, Paxton, Monument and Russell Springs Townships. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin to approve the 2023 Annual Agreement for Maintenance, Repair and Construction of Township Roads for Paxton, Russell Springs, Western, Logansport and Lees Township. Motion carried 3-0.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin to sign the 2023 Annual Agreement for Prairie Dog Control in Russell Springs and Logansport Townships. Motion carried 3-0.

Road Supervisor Paul Lorenzen met with the Board to open bids received for a new mower for the Road Department. Troy Wildeman with Oakley Ag joined the meeting. Bids were received as follows: American Implement for a 2023 John Deere FC15R Flex Wing Rotary Cutter for \$10,000.00 including the trade in of the 2020 JD R15; Oakley Ag Center for a 2023 Landpride RCM5715 Flex Wing Mower for \$11,879.00 including the trade in of the 2020 JD R15 and a 2023 Rhino 4150 Flex Wing Mower for \$11,769.00 including the trade in of the 2020 JD R15. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Younkin and Edwards to accept the bid from Oakley Ag Center for a 2023 Rhino 4150 Flex Wing Mower for \$11,769.00 including the trade in of the 2020 JD R15. Motion carried 3-0.

Noxious Weed and Prairie Dog Director Denny Mackley showed the Board his new foam sprayer for his 4-wheeler. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin to allow Mackley to purchase another foam sprayer from Winona Lumber for \$1,450.00. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board discussed the update from Logan County Community Foundation Director Kyle Bloom as well as his request to help fund Match Month. The Board donated \$5,000.00 last year and Bloom asked them to consider that again for this year. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin to donate \$5,000.00 to come out of the 2023 Economic Development appropriation. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Younkin and Edwards respectively to pay the 2023 dues to the Kansas Natural Resource Coalition for \$5,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed the \$3,500.00 dues payable to Northwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin to pay the dues for 2023. Motion carried 3-0.

At 10:30 a.m. it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin to go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion carried 3-0. Those present in the session were Commissioners Edwards, Hubert, Younkin and County Clerk Crystal Rucker. The Board returned to open meeting at 10:50 a.m. with no action taken.

Discussion was held regarding the phone conversations and invoice from Mitten, Inc. that charged the county interest when payment was not received within 10 days of purchasing bulk fuel. It was the consensus of the Board to let them know we will get the invoices paid as soon as possible but there is an approval process for all county invoices, and it might be hard to meet the 10 day deadline.

It was the consensus of the Board to accept the resignation of Levi Younkin effective January 31, 2023 from the Logan County Hospital Board.

The Board reviewed two bid proposals for doing the audit and budget for the County as follows: Adams Brown, LLC for \$24,650 for 2022/2024 and \$25,390 for 2023/2025; Mapes & Miller, LLP for \$27,700 for 2022/2024 and \$29,085 for 2023/2025. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin to sign the agreement with Adams Brown, LLC. Motion carried 3-0.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin to approve **Revised Resolution #23-02**. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board reviewed the Second Amended Petition filed in Logan County District Court against the Logan County Commissioners from Jolene Dirks, Curt Dirks, Landon Dirks and Heidi Dirks in Case No. 22-CV-14.

There being no further business discussed it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Younkin respectively to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____