

The Board of Logan County Commissioners met on Monday, April 12, 2021. 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 in the basement meeting room. Commissioner Younkin announced the meeting was being recorded.

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

Logan County Hospital Board members Levi Younkin, Curt Thompson, Rich Loftus, John Moorhous and Ron Clark along with Mel Snow, Aimee Zimmerman and ReChelle Horinek from the Hospital met with the Board for the first time to discuss their new hospital project. Dustin Avey with Piper Sandler also attended along with a slew of hospital employees and a few members from the public. Dustin Avey discussed the USDA Revenue Bonds and how they work and said the financial objective of the hospital board is to build a facility without tax support. He talked about the process and the first step is to have a feasibility study to see if the hospital has the ability to afford the project using its own revenue. Mel Snow stated the only thing they are wanting right now, is the approval from the Commissioners to conduct the study and get the process started. Ron Clark went over a set of questions they had received and read the answers to the group. Dr. Ray and Dr. Rains both gave their support for the project. After some discussion, Commissioner Hubert stated this is the first formal meeting they have come to the Commissioners and asked if they could have at least two weeks to think about this. Hubert stated he felt like we need to make the public aware of what we are doing and get the public to support this instead of just the three Commissioners. Finally, it was the consensus of the Board to take time to process this and discuss this at the next meeting.

The Board briefly recessed and returned back upstairs.

The Board phoned Vandeeep Kumar with Sleep Inn. Kumar asked if the Board could help them out with their property taxes due to the major loss they experienced during Covid. The Board said they would research the matter and get back to him.

Road Supervisor Paul Lorenzen met with the Board to revisit about purchasing a lift, tire changer and wheel balancer for the shop. Lorenzen stated the total cost should be around \$11,000.00. After some discussion, it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Edwards to approve the purchase. Motion carried 2-1 with Younkin voting against it.

Discussion was also held regarding the blacktop project north of Winona and insulating the shop at Russell Springs. He also made the Board aware that he hired Jonathan Corbett for the full-time road position starting April 13, 2021.

The Board reviewed the 5 hours of overtime for the Health Department; 30.5 hours for the Road Department and 30 hours for the Weed Department for March.

The Board reviewed the March 31, 2021 Payroll Register as follows: General \$44,129.11; County Health \$12,001.79; Road & Bridge \$19,157.53; Noxious Weed \$4,438.13; Fire \$6,620.31 and EMS \$18,081.50 for a total of \$104,428.37. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Hubert respectively to approve the Payroll Register as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board reviewed the Warrant Register dated March 31, 2021 as follows: General \$62,561.47; County Health \$6,599.29; Road & Bridge \$31,947.92; Noxious Weed \$21,843.56; Fire \$78.07; Prairie Dog \$2,193.75; EMS \$1,602.60; Drug Forfeiture \$3,176.70; Special Sheriff \$225.00 and Payroll Clearing \$3,641.16 for a total of \$133,869.52. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Hubert respectively to approve the Warrant Register as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board reviewed the Warrant Register dated April 9, 2021 as follows: General \$28,662.40; County Health \$3,281.30; Road & Bridge \$4,426.33; Noxious Weed \$2,951.19; Fire \$1,396.31; EMS \$2,398.62; Drug Forfeiture \$3,250.00 and Payroll Clearing \$1,001.69 for a total of \$47,367.84. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Hubert respectively to approve the Warrant Register as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

The minutes from the March 22, 2021 meeting was reviewed. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Edwards to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board reviewed a request from Oakley Project Graduation for Substance Abuse Council Funds. It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Hubert to give \$500 for Project Graduation. Motion carried 3-0.

County Attorney Craig Uhrich joined the meeting and requested executive session. At 10:45 a.m. it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Hubert and Edwards to go into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss legal actions. Motion carried 3-0. Those present in the session were

Commissioners Edwards, Hubert, Younkin, Uhrich and County Clerk Crystal Rucker. The Board returned to open meeting at 11:15 a.m. with no action taken.

There being no further business discussed it was moved and seconded by Commissioners Edwards and Hubert respectively to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 26, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.

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