

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, JULY 9, 2018

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 o'clock A.M. with Second District County Commissioner Thad G. Geiger, Chairman, calling the meeting to order. First District County Commissioner Timothy D. Collins, Third District County Commissioner Jerry P. McKernan and County Clerk Peggy Franken were present. County Attorney Charles D. Baskins was present for a portion of the meeting.

The Kansas Chief Reporter Paul Stewart and Susan Studer observed the entire meeting.

Commissioner Geiger made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to approve the meeting agenda as amended to include overview of 2019 budget draft. Motion carried.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve county commission minutes of the June 25, 2018 regular meeting as written. Motion carried.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve manual warrants for the period of June 29, 2018 as presented. Motion carried.

Currently there are 15 local and 2 out of county inmates housed in the Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center.

Fee Reports for the month of June 2018 were presented to the Board for their review on behalf of the County Clerk, Register of Deeds and Sheriff.

John M. Smith, Jr. appeared before the County Board to inquire about the funding source for 911 and express concerns with the lack of response from personnel at the Jerry K. Dubach Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center. County Clerk Peggy Franken stated equipment for 911 dispatch purposes is paid for with revenues collected from emergency telephone tax assessed on each telephone and cell phone bill. Personnel expenses for the 911 dispatch and law enforcement center are paid through property tax collections. Chairman Geiger told Mr. Smith the Commission noted his concerns in regard to law enforcement center personnel.

Mr. Smith also asked the County Commission to issue warnings and tickets to all landowners violating obstruction of right-of-way laws so that there is a proper paper trail of everyone being treated equally.

At 8:47 A.M. Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing and protecting the interest of non-elect personnel in the Sheriff's Department with the meeting to be called back to order in the office of the County Commission at 8:57 A.M. Motion carried. The County Clerk and Sheriff remained.

The Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing at 9:00 A.M. for the purpose of hearing a request for zoning change from A-1 Agriculture to MU Mixed Use for Warren Dale and Christina D. Sutton, for construction of home sites at 1059 Treece Road and 1067 Treece Road, Wathena, Kansas. Zoning Administrator Julie Meng, Applicant Warren Dale Sutton and Mike Davis were present. The Doniphan County Regional Planning Commission denied

the request pending an engineer's study concerning the stability of the bluff and septic system. Administrator Meng informed the County Commission septic system plans have been approved by Northeast Kansas Environmental Services. Mr. Sutton addressed the County Commission in regard to building site plans and set back requirements. Following discussion, Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve zoning change from A-1 Agriculture to MU Mixed Use for property located at 1059 Treece Road, Wathena, Kansas. Motion carried.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve zoning change from A-1 Agriculture to MU Mixed Use for property located at 1067 Treece Road, Wathena, Kansas. Motion carried.

Chairman Geiger asked for the Doniphan County Regional Planning Commissions consideration in reducing set back requirements on 80' roadways. Zoning Administrator Julie Meng stated she would address set back requirements with the Doniphan County Planning Commission at their next regular meeting.

Commissioner Geiger made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to grant authority to Emergency Management Director Julie Meng to close any county roadways necessary for safety purposes during the August 25-26, 2018 airshows at Rosecrans Airport. Motion carried.

Health Department/Home Health Administrator Sheryl Pierce presented the County Commission with Fiscal Year 2019 KDHE Grants for Child Care Licensing Program \$4,563.00, Immunization Action Plan \$2,802.00, Maternal & Child Health \$10,233.00, Public Health Emergency Preparedness \$12,733.00 and State Formula \$7,000.00. Said grants were executed by Chairman Geiger.

Administrator Pierce presented the County Commission with a policy regarding sexual harassment per requirements of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment grants program, for their review.

Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to approve an invoice from Jamvold Truck and Tractor Repair for 3 hours of labor for installation of block heater on the Health Department Generator in the amount of \$584.72, with the expense to be paid from the Capital Improvement fund. Motion carried.

Health Department/Home Health Administrator Sheryl Pierce informed the County Commission Administrative Assistant and WIC Coordinator Rebekah Sharp's job status would be reduced to part-time effective July 9, 2018.

County Clerk Peggy Franken presented the County Commission with sales tax collections for the month of April 2018 in the amount of \$40,641.57.

County Clerk Franken also presented bids for the purchase of 10,000 peel and seal security envelopes as follows:

- The Kansas Chief \$ 849.00
- The Lockwood Company \$1,140.00

Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Geiger, to approve the bid of The Kansas Chief. Motion carried.

The Board of County Commissioners were in receipt of the second draft of the 2019 Doniphan County budget. County Clerk Peggy Franken, in giving an overview of the budget, stated the proposed budget decreases the amount of tax to be collected approximately \$6,000.00, reduces the mill levy rate 3.2 mills and allows for a .50 per hour pay increase for all employees, due to increase in assessed valuation from 129,335,220 to 140,180,612. The Board of County Commissioners took no action pending review.

At 9:41 A.M. Commissioner Geiger made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing attorney-client privilege with legal counsel, with the meeting to be called back to order in the office of the County Commission at 9:51 A.M. Motion carried. The County Attorney and County Clerk remained.

Commissioner Collins presented the Board of County Commissioners with cost estimate in the amount of \$11,001.12 to purchase an 8' by 80' tube to replace two structures on 150th Road, west of K-7 Highway and east of Friendship Road, in order to build up and rock the roadway, making it a thru road. The Board tabled action until July 16, 2018.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris reminded the Board of County Commission of the August 2018 deadline to apply for Kansas Department of Transportation Off-System Bridge Replacement grants program for Fiscal Year 2020. Norris also presented the Board with Township Road Improvement fund and rock stockpile balances through June 2018 for their review.

Commissioner Geiger made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve the following unauthorized expenditures. Motion carried.

- Redneck Diesel #84 2005 Mack rock truck \$880.66 in Second Road District
- Maryville Metal Culverts driveway tube \$539.70 in Second Road District

Road Office Manager Norris informed the County Board chip seal projects should begin this week, dependent upon the status of patch work.

At 10:00 A.M. Commissioner Geiger made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to recess into executive session for the purpose of discussing and protecting the interest of non-elect courthouse personnel with the meeting to be called back to order in the office of the County Commission at 10:15 A.M. Motion carried. The County Attorney, County Clerk, Richard Blanton and Sue Blanton remained.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Geiger adjourned the meeting at 10:16 A.M.

DATED THIS 9th DAY OF JULY 2018.

Attest: _____
Peggy Franken, County Clerk

Thad G. Geiger, Chairman