

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, AUGUST 6, 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 McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Commissioner Geiger made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to approve County Commission minutes of the July 30, 2018 regular meeting as written. Motion carried.

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

Currently there are 13 local and 13 out of county inmates housed in the Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center.

Observer Susan Studer asked about the status of the courthouse custodian's position. Chairman Geiger said the Custodian returned to full-time duty effective August 1, 2018.

John M. Smith, Jr. expressed concerns with lack of law enforcement for illegal deer hunting and maintenance of grader ditches and road sides along 250th and Heartland roads.

Clinton Waggoner, representing the City of White Cloud, was present to discuss maintenance and chip seal of County Road in the City of White Cloud. Mr. Waggoner asked that the roadway be chip sealed and maintained by Doniphan County. Commissioner Geiger stated County Road is not recognized in County Resolution 2014-11 as being a hard surfaced roadway maintained by Doniphan County. When drafted a listing of hard surfaced roadways was presented to the County Board by each District Commissioner with assistance from each Road Foreman for inclusion in Resolution 2014-11. Mr. Waggoner said there has been some discussion on a 99 year lease agreement for maintenance of the roadway by Doniphan County. Register of Deeds Susan Shuster and Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris both stated there are no county records on file which indicate any type of lease agreement for County Road. The Board of County Commissioners agreed to assist the City of White Cloud with drainage issues on County Road following the completion of chip seal season.

White Cloud City Councilman Clinton Waggoner asked Doniphan County to chip seal Main Street in the City of White Cloud to 7th Street, with the City of White Cloud to pay the expense, next time chip seal is completed in the City.

County Clerk Peggy Franken presented the County Commission with sale tax collections for the month of May 2018 in the amount of \$47,657.57. Also presented were estimated

assessed valuations by Commission District and a clean-up notice issued for property located at 1929 190th Road by Northeast Kansas Environmental Services.

Chairman Geiger executed a letter of request to the Kansas Department of Transportation for the exchange of Federal Funds to State Funds through the Kansas Department of Transportation Federal Funds Exchange Program in the amount of \$66,841.21.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve the following expenditures for the Road Department: Franken Auto Parts \$412.13, Van Keppel for chip spreader repair \$1,552.13 and Murphy Tractor 2017 motor grader (#175) \$1,190.51 for parts not covered under warranty. Motion carried.

Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris told the County Board, weather permitting, chip seal on county roadways will be completed this week. Commissioner McKernan said chip seal projects will finish up in the Third District with 2 miles to be done once projects are complete in the City of Troy and First District.

Commissioner Geiger asked for County Treasurer Lindsay Etherton's input on additional staff hours allowed during the Treasurer's transition period. Treasurer Etherton said her department is fully staffed, however they are busy in the morning and late afternoon when customers are either going to or from work, therefore an 8 hour work day is warranted. The Board tabled action.

In public comment Susan Studer asked for a customer count by hour to determine the busiest time of day for the County Treasurer's Department before the Board of County Commissioners makes a determination on the daily hours worked by the County Treasurer's staff.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Geiger adjourned the meeting at 9:25 A.M.

DATED THIS 6TH DAY OF AUGUST 2018.

Attest: _____
Peggy Franken, County Clerk

Thad G. Geiger, Chairman