

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
DONIPHAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, TROY, KANSAS, JUNE 3, 2019

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 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 regular meeting. John M. Smith, Jr., Kevin McNorton, Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris, Gary Mitchell, David Sanner and Lyle Lander were present for a portion of the meeting.

Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to approve the meeting agenda presented. Motion carried.

Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to approve County Commission minutes of the May 28, 2019 regular meeting as written. Motion carried.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Collins, to approve warrants for the period of May 31, 2019 as presented. Motion carried.

Fee report for the month of May 2019 was presented to the Board on behalf of the County Clerk for their review.

Currently the Doniphan County Law Enforcement Center houses 8 local inmates.

John M. Smith, Jr. discussed drainage issues along Heartland Road and asked that the First Road District motor grader operator not blade the grader ditch above his mailbox at 1731 Heartland Road.

Kevin McNorton was present to inform the County Commission a 5' section of his yard is falling off into 190th Road due to the road bank eroding away as a result of being undercut by County motor grader operators. Commissioner Geiger will view Mr. McNorton's property following the County Commission meeting.

County Clerk Peggy Franken reminded the Board of County Commissioners of the tire recycling collection, for residents of Doniphan County, to be held Saturday, June 8, 2019 from 8:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. at the Second District shop located at 302 W. Robertson St. Troy, Kansas.

Susan Studer addressed the Board of County Commissioners regarding the necessity to implement an employee time keeping system in order to have an accurate accounting of hours worked, stating the citizenry would appreciate the transparency. Secondly, Mrs. Studer strongly encouraged the Board of County Commissioners to hire a Road Director/Manager to bring before the Board of County Commissioners road issues, with

equal consideration for all road districts. Mrs. Studer said a Road Director/Manager would prioritize and value all projects, as not all projects in one district are an emergency needing immediate attention without knowing the cost or exploring other avenues for repair.

Commissioner McKernan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Geiger, to enter into a contract with Labor Strategies for the purchase and continued support of an employee time clock system, Attendance on Demand. The time clock system will be utilized by all County Departments, at a one-time cost of \$3,775.00 for implementation and interfacing with the current Patriot payroll system and a \$3.00 per employee per month support fee to be charged to each department on the County's payroll.

Commissioner Collins cast a nay vote.

Commissioner Collins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McKernan, to approve the construction by Jamesport Builders of a 50'x104'x16' equipment storage building in the amount of \$66,891.00, with overhead door chain hoists and snow guards, to be located at the First Road District. And a 50'x80'x16' equipment storage building in the amount of \$52,937.00, with overhead door chain hoists and snow guards, located at the Third Road District. Said expenses will be paid from the New Sales Tax fund as a capital improvement to County owned facility. Doniphan County will be responsible for dirt and electrical work. Motion carried.

Gary Mitchell informed the County Board he cleared a tree from the road and asked the County to notify him before working on the roadway near his house.

Chairman Geiger executed a proclamation of a local disaster emergency for Doniphan County, Kansas, due to spring high water events.

The Board of County Commissioners held discussion regarding several bank stabilization projects along county roadways, once the ground dries out, including along Mesquito Creek Road in Second District and 255th Road in First District. Commissioner Collins informed the County Board two roadway tubes will be installed from current inventory on Ash Point Road, one mile north of 240th Road, the road is currently closed due to washed out tubes.

Discussion on the 2019 chip seal program will be held during the regular Board of County Commission meeting on June 10, 2019.

David Sanner and Lyle Lander, Pony Express Association, met with the County Commission to discuss erection of Pony Express Route signs. Road Office Manager Lindsay Norris said County Employee Dennis Snyder will be in charge of the project and will notify the Pony Express Association before beginning installation and following completion.

The Board of County Commissioners were in agreement to have Road Foremen attend the weekly Board of County Commission meetings at 8:45 A.M. to discuss and review road plans and projects.

Commissioner Geiger stated applications are still being accepted to fill vacant positions within the Second Road District.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Geiger adjourned the meeting at 9:21 A.M.

DATED THIS 3RD DAY OF JUNE 2019.

Attest: _____
Peggy Franken, County Clerk

Thad G. Geiger, Chairman