

**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

January 18, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners, Casey Lair, Andrew Miller & Jerry Scott, Kayla Busch County Clerk and Kris Marple, County Coordinator, met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Room.

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Lair called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION: Commissioner Miller gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Scott led the flag salute.

AGENDA & MINUTES:

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the agenda as presented, and approve the minutes of December 28, 2022 and January 4, 2023 as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

HERITAGE ESTATES PLAT MAP #3:

Jeri Hammerschmidt, First Home Builders, presented the new plat map for the Heritage Estates Addition in Neodesha for review and approval.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve the plat map as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

Kris Marple, County Coordinator, presented a request from Phil & Meredith Odell for an abatement of their real estate property taxes at 417 N. 10th in Fredonia due to a house fire per KSA 79-1613. He also presented an estimate from Seely Plumbing for \$7,000.00 to repair the sewer lagoons at Tulakes, which was tabled until an additional estimate is obtained. He also reported that EMC insurance paid \$8,822.00 for the repair of the padded cell at the LEC. He also presented a Department of Homeland Security Transfer of Property Agreement for an ID printer on the Emergency Management inventory.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the real estate property tax abatement request from Phil & Meredith Odell as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion and the motion carried.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve the Transfer of Property Agreement with Homeland Security as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Kary Tatum, Road and Bridge Supervisor, presented the bridge culvert repair for 2023 and discussed which could be repaired by the department, and which needed repair by outside sources. He discussed purchasing a new truck due to the transmission going out of his current truck. He presented three vehicle quotes, which were tabled until more information is obtained. Dustin Daniels, Foley Equipment Company, discussed the cost of a new CAT motor grader versus rebuilding a used one already in the fleet, which is approx. a difference of \$200,000.00.

COUNTY CLERK’S REPORT:

Kayla Busch, County Clerk, presented \$0.25 per hour pay increase requests for Jesse Newberry and Richard Beisly due to promotions to Sergeant.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve the pay increase requests as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion and the motion carried.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Amy Lell, Health Department Administrator, gave an update on current COVID, influenza, and TB cases. She also reported that the Health Department was awarded a \$173,000.00 grant from KDHE for upgrades related to COVID. For the first round, she requested the purchase of a computer laptop, scanners, and immunization chairs in the amount of \$7,000.00. She also presented a quote from Caldwell’s Floor Covering for new flooring in the amount of \$30,000.00, which was tabled until more quotes are obtained.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve the first round grant purchases as requested not to exceed \$7,000.00. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion and the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Commissioner Scott was given the oath of office by County Clerk Kayla Busch. His new term officially began on January 9th.
2. Approved warrants in the amount of \$288,297.06.
3. Approved Payroll in the amount of \$121,687.58.
4. Tax roll corrections 2022-1397 to 1405 & 2023-1 to 11.
5. Reports received: employee overtime.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m. to reconvene on Wednesday, January 25, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS**

RECORDED BY:

Casey Lair, Chairman

Kayla Busch, County Clerk