

**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

February 15, 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 February 8, 2023 as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

Kris Marple, County Coordinator, presented Resolution #2023-003 to alter the maximum speed limit to 25 MPH on Tank Avenue between the Neodesha City limits to Water Plant Road. He also discussed the E-Communities grant application opportunity. He also reported that the Dorothy Delay House in Neodesha was approved to be added to the Kansas State Historical Register. He also presented proposals from Foley Power Solutions, and H&K Electric for a generator at the Courthouse.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to adopt Resolution #2023-003 as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion and the motion carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Kary Tatum, Road and Bridge Supervisor, presented an estimate from Foley Equipment Company for two used 2018 CAT 120M motor graders in the amount of \$155,000.00 each. He also reported that Robert Tinsley requested road stabilization at 800 & Thomas Road to the dead end at his expense, which was approved by consensus.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Amy Lell, Health Department Administrator, gave a COVID update with 6 active cases and 1 hospitalization since her last report. She also presented quotes for new flooring at the Health Department from O&B Projects in the amount of \$72,003.75, and Derailed Commodities in the amount of \$39,599.84. She also discussed removing a wall in the reception area of the Health Department, and presented a quote from Peterson Construction in the amount of \$9,600.00. She also requested a pay increase of \$0.15 per hour for Amber Davis to be on-call in the case of an infectious disease, which will be reimbursed by KDHE.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the flooring quote from Derailed Commodities as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion and the motion carried.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve the wall removal estimate from Peterson Construction as presented. Commissioner Scott Seconded the motion and the motion carried.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve the pay increase request for Amber Davis as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

SHERIFF'S REPORT:

Sheriff Jack Lucke, further discussed a pay increase proposal for employee retention & recruitment due to staffing shortages & resignations of \$0.25 per hour for existing employees, and increasing the starting wage of Correction Officers from \$12.75 to \$14.50 per hour. He also presented a quote for a 2022 Dodge Ram 1500 patrol truck in the amount of \$42,000.00.

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

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the purchase of a 2022 Dodge Ram 1500 patrol truck as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion and the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Approved warrants in the amount of \$296,392.30.
2. Tax roll corrections: 2023-57 to 59.
3. Reports received: Road & Bridge fees.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m. to reconvene on Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

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

RECORDED BY:

Casey Lair, Chairman

Kayla Busch, County Clerk