

**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

April 28, 2021

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

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

INVOCATION: Commissioner Miller gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Lair 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 April 14, 2021 as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT. REPORT:

Kay Tatum, Road & Bridge Supervisor, requested that Road & Bridge Dept work days be changed to Monday through Thursday, from 6:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., which was approved by consensus. He also informed that soil samples have been taken for the Perma-Zyme gravel road application, and are preparing for asphalt road repairs. He also gave an update on equipment repairs.

Don Whitson requested a culvert be replaced on 600 Road, between Wichita & Yale Roads. He also requested ditching on 850 Road, between Yale & Anderson Roads.

SHERIFF'S REPORT:

Sheriff Jack Lucke, reported on getting estimates for a new control room panel in Corrections. He also discussed purchasing a cage for the transport car, stab protection vests for Corrections Officers, and getting estimates for a new patrol vehicle. He also informed that he will be hiring a part-time deputy, and requested pay increases for Kevin Chandler of \$0.25 per hour due to the promotion to Corrections Sgt, Josiah Ryals of \$1.00 per hour due to the promotion to Corrections Lt, and Michael Johnson of \$0.25 per hour due to the promotion to Corrections Sgt.

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 DEPT. REPORT:

Destany Wheeler, Health Dept. Administrator, reported on revised COVID-19 County numbers in comparison with numbers provided by KDHE but they're working out the differences. She also advised that the COVID-19 vaccination rate for the County is currently 31%, and the State rate is 30%. She also informed about obtaining information for a new electronic health records system to purchase with grant funds.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 10:17 a.m. a motion was made by Commissioner Miller to recess to Executive Session for 5 minutes to discuss matters of non-elected personnel pertaining to employee resignation, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319 with Destany Wheeler & Kris Marple present. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried. The regular meeting resumed at 10:22 a.m. with the following action taken. A letter of resignation was submitted by Destany Wheeler as Health Dept. Administrator effective May 21st. A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to accept her resignation as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried. The Commissioners thanked her for her service to the County, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic and expressed their best wishes for her future endeavors.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

Kris Marple, County Coordinator, presented Resolution #2021-007 regarding the support of Second Amendment Rights. He also discussed the status of bid solicitations for the NRCS EWP Riverbank Stabilization Project. He also gave a Granby Street Project update, and SEK Regional Juvenile Detention Center Board update.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve Resolution #2021-007 as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Bambi Rimel, 911 Director, presented employment applications for a 911 Dispatcher and recommended hiring Cheyenne Lerch which was approved by consensus. The Commission presented her with a Certificate of Merit for National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.
2. Approved payroll in the amount of \$114,940.89.
3. Approved warrants in the amount of \$220,840.52.
4. Approved tax roll corrections: 2021-50 to 73.
5. Reports received: Appraiser fee report.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m. to reconvene on Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

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

ATTEST:

Casey Lair, Chairman

Rhonda Willard, County Clerk