

**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

December 29, 2021

The Board of County Commissioners, Casey Lair, Andrew Miller & Jerry Scott, 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 15, 2021 as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT. REPORT:

Kary Tatum, Road & Bridge Supervisor, presented right-of-way permits for Earl Porter and Jim Robertson to clean out ditches, which were approved by consensus. He also informed that road rock will increase \$0.50 per ton in 2022. He also reported on a culvert to repair at 2350 & Ness Road. He also further discussed the request from Kwikom to bury fiber in the right-of-way, the Commission agreed by consensus to allow a ROW permit if they can't get a private easement.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

Kris Marple, County Coordinator, discussed the 3% cost of living adjustment that was budgeted in FY2022 for eligible employees. He also presented the medical liability insurance renewal from Mercer in the amount of \$1,665.00 for the Health Dept. He also gave an update on the Kansas AG Opioid Settlement. He also discussed an inquiry from a landowner regarding the status of the Rails to Trails.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve a 3% COLA for eligible employees in FY2022. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the insurance renewal with Mercer as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS #2021-013 to #2021-016:

The following year-end fund transfers were presented: 2021-013 authorizing the transfer of \$5,000.00 from the Election Fund to the County Equipment Reserve Fund; 2021-014 authorizing the transfer of \$10,000.00 from the Noxious Weed Fund to the Noxious Weed Equipment Reserve Fund; 2021-015 authorizing the transfer of \$250,000.00 from the Road & Bridge Fund to the Special Machinery & Equipment Fund; and 2021-016 authorizing the transfer of \$5,000.00 from the County Treasurer Special Auto Fund to the County Treasurer Special Auto Reserve Fund.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve Resolutions #2021-013 to #2021-016 as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2021-017:

A resolution extending the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan to FY2023.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve Resolution #2021-017 as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

EMS AGREEMENTS FOR FY2022:

Agreements for Emergency Medical Services in FY2022 with the Fredonia Regional Hospital, and the City of Neodesha were presented.

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

LANDFILL SOLID WASTE AGREEMENTS FOR FY2022:

Agreements for Landfill Solid Waste disposal in FY2022 with the Cities of Fredonia & Neodesha were presented.

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

INDIGENT LEGAL DEFENSE SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR FY2022:

An agreement for Indigent Legal Defense Services in FY2022 with John K. Chenoweth, Attorney-at-Law in the amount of \$54,000.00 was presented.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the agreement with John K. Chenoweth as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Deputy Sheriff Louis Cottrell-D'Esposito inquired about holiday pay for employees who actually work the day of the holiday instead of the observance day.
2. Approved payroll in the amount of \$115,149.61.
3. Approved warrants in the amount of \$372,328.05.
4. Approved tax roll corrections: 2021-2263 to 2283.
5. Reports received: Employee overtime report.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. to reconvene on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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ATTEST:

Casey Lair, Chairman

Rhonda Willard, County Clerk