

**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS  
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

April 20, 2022

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

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

**INVOCATION:** Commissioner Scott gave the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Lair led the flag salute.

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**AGENDA & MINUTES:**

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the agenda as presented, and approve the minutes of April 6, 2022 as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

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**ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT. REPORT:**

Kary Tatum, Road & Bridge Supervisor, presented a right-of-way permit for Bennet Construction which was approved by consensus. He reported on bridge repair work at 10 & Marion Road. He discussed hiring two laborer summer positions, and changing work hours to Monday – Thursday, 6:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. beginning on May 2<sup>nd</sup> which were approved by consensus. Commissioner Miller discussed contacting Ash Grove Cement Company to repair damage at 1700 & Decatur Road, and at K-39 & 1700 Road. He also submitted an employment application from Tony Corbett for a motor grader operator.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to hire Tony Corbett as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Joe Rudd inquired about the water drainage issues on Cement Plant Road.

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**HEALTH DEPT. REPORT:**

Amy Lell, Heath Dept. Administrator, reported that there was only 1 active COVID-19 case. She also presented a quote from Studebaker Refrigeration to replace 3 heaters at the Health Dept in the amount of \$21,108.00, which will be reimbursed with grant funds. She also presented a quote from TIC for a new countertop & outdoor sign for the Health Dept in the amount of \$7,360.00.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the quotes from Studebakers, and TCI as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

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**SHERIFF'S REPORT:**

Sheriff Jack Lucke, discussed reducing the number of Corrections Officer per shift from 4 to 3, and increasing the starting wage a \$1.00 per hour. The matter was tabled until further information is obtained. He also reported that a deputy sheriff is graduating from KLETC on April 29<sup>th</sup>, and hired a new receptionist. He also submitted pay increase requests of \$1.50 per hour for Josh Curry due to completing one year & promoting to Jail Administrator, \$0.25 per hour for Jonathan Reed due to completing his introductory period, and \$0.25 per hour for Andrew Goodman and Wyatt Nalley due to promoting to Sergeant.

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

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**COORDINATOR'S REPORT:**

Kris Marple, County Coordinator, presented the 2022-23 property, liability & workers compensation insurance policy renewal with EMC Insurance Company in the amount of \$279,899.00 which is \$32,079.00 less than last year. He also reported that the RAISE Grant application was submitted in the amount of \$3.6M to the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration for the Granby Street Project. He also submitted an employment application from Shanna Wooten for 911 Dispatcher. He also presented a proclamation proclaiming April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Wilson County. He also advised of the appointments of John Gillett, Scott Carson, and Eric Thomason to the 31<sup>st</sup> Judicial District Community & Juvenile Services Advisory Board for 2-year terms. He also informed that he was reappointed by Attorney General Derek Schmidt to the Kansas AG Open Government Advisory Board for another term.

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

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to hire Shanna Wooten as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the Proclamation of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to appoint John Gillett, Scott Carson, and Eric Thomason to the 31<sup>st</sup> Judicial District Community & Juvenile Services Advisory Board as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

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**OTHER BUSINESS:**

1. Tre Preset and John Wright, expressed disagreement with the Sheriff regarding their employment separation, and requested that their separation forms be changed to satisfactory & eligible for rehire. The Commission advised that would be the decision for the Sheriff to make since he is an elected official.
2. Approved payroll in the amount of \$112,710.28.
3. Approved warrants in the amount of \$383,418.19.
4. Tax roll corrections: 2022-279 to 281; 284 to 290.
5. Reports received: Attorney, Sheriff, Register of Deeds, Treasurer, Health Dept, and Clerk fees, and employee overtime.

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m. to reconvene on Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

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

**ATTEST:**

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Casey Lair, Chairman

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Rhonda Willard, County Clerk