

**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS  
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

March 22, 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 amended, and approve the minutes of March 8, 2023 as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**COORDINATOR'S REPORT:**

Kris Marple, County Coordinator, presented a draft Opioid Settlement Fund Policy for review. He also gave a landfill inspection update. He also presented proposals for a generator at the Courthouse from H&K Electric for a diesel Generac 150KW in the amount of \$93,175.04, and from Foley Power Solutions for a diesel Caterpillar 150KW in the amount of \$133,815.46. He also presented Resolution #2023-004 designating the Neodesha Derrick News as the official County newspaper effective April 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>. He also discussed ARPA applications for Wilson County Rural Water District #9 and Neosho County Rural Water District #12 for upgrades to their respective districts.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the H&K Electric Generac generator proposal in the amount of \$93,175.04. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Lair to approve Resolution #2023-004 as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the Wilson County Rural Water #9 ARPA application in the amount of \$21,000.00. Commissioner Miller Seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**ROAD & BRIDGE DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

Kary Tatum, Road and Bridge Supervisor, reported that the new overhead doors have been installed at the County Shop in the amount of \$36,680.00. He also presented right-of-way permits for TC Underground Inc and Montgomery County Rural Water #12. He also discussed drainage issues at 1000 and Scott Road, and ditching on 900 and Decatur Roads. The Commission also further discussed signage at 410 Road & US-75 Hwy.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

Amy Lell, Health Department Administrator, reported that the grant she received for upgrades would pay for 50% of flooring replacement cost at the Health Dept. She requested the other portion in the estimated amount of \$20,000.00 be paid from the Health budget due to savings in payroll from another grant. She also reported that she and Cassie Edson will be attending the Governor’s Conference in Wichita as well as Amber Davis and Shanette Smith attending the Immunizations Conference in Salina. She also presented the Aid to Local Grants application with KDHE in the amount of \$99,822.10.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve up to \$20,000.00 from the Health budget for flooring costs. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the Aid to Local Grants application as presented. Commissioner Miller Seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**WILSON MEDICAL CENTER ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2022:**

Dennis Shelby, Interim CEO, Lori Smith, CFO, and Chad Estes, Board of Trustees Chairman, reported on challenges they are currently facing with recruiting health care providers, increasing salaries for employees, and hiring a new CEO. Dennis informed that they are regrouping meetings between Fredonia Regional, Wilson Medical, Coffeyville Regional, and Neosho Memorial on April 4<sup>th</sup> and the importance of communication between all medical centers. Lori gave the financial summary for FY2022. She also discussed the bond fund revenue reporting process being a soft estimate to the bond trustee, followed by the actual revenue report later in the reporting period.

**COUNTY CLERK’S REPORT:**

Kayla Busch, County Clerk, reported she completed her master class through Sandborn Institute at Wichita State University and will receive her certification at the Kansas County Clerk’s Conference in May. She also gave an election update about SB 321, as well as new election security that is said to be implemented by year-end 2024.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

1. Approved warrants in the amount of \$270,039.09.
2. Approved payroll in the amount of \$116,634.24.
3. Approved tax roll corrections: 2023-222 to 229.
4. Reports received: Attorney Jan. & Feb. fees, Employee Overtime.
5. Cheri Nelsen, Wildcat Extension District submitted an invitation to the KSU 105 Project with KSU President Richard Linton in Girard on March 28<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m. to reconvene on **Wednesday, April 5, 2023** at 9:00 a.m.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
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**RECORDED BY:**

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Casey Lair, Chairman

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Kayla Busch, County Clerk