

**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

September 7, 2022

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 August 31, 2022 as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COUNTY CLERK'S REPORT:

Kayla Busch, County Clerk, presented Resolution #2022-010 for the destruction of November 2020 General Election ballots, as well as the appointment of Kris Marple and Gail Harshaw to observe the destruction. She also presented the KOMTEC bill for RNR notices in the amount of \$7,045.00, and explained that the State of Kansas is obligated to pay the bill for 2022 and 2023.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to adopt Resolution #2022-010 as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, the motion carried.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

Kris Marple, County Coordinator, submitted an estimate for the LEC from CDL Electric in the amount of \$10,475.00 to alter the sprinkler system per the State Fire Marshall inspection, which was approved by consensus. He also discussed the FEMA certification of the Cook Bridge for reimbursement of approximately \$41,000. He also presented September employee birthday cards for signature.

ROAD AND BRIDGE REPORT:

Kary Tatum, Road & Bridge Supervisor, presented a right-of-way permit for Lee Bracken for ditching on 900 Road and Edward Road. He also gave an update on mower repairs due to catching fire, and road grading throughout the County. A letter was also approved by signature to send to persons working in the County right-of-way without a permit.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve the ROW permit as for Lee Bracken as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

APPRAISER REPORT:

Jessica Porter, County Appraiser, gave a compliance update from the Kansas Property Valuation Division. She also discussed the BOTA hearing for Jan Stryker. She also presented a \$0.25 per hour pay increase for Ronda Culbertson due to completion of her introductory period.

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

FY2023 COUNTY BUDGET & RNR PUBLIC HEARING:

At 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Lair opened the public hearing for the proposed FY2023 County budget as published of \$9,749,940.00, and the exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 65.873 mills. And Rural Fire District budget as published of \$82,975.00, and not exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 0.886 mills. Dean Silvey expressed his opposition to any budget mill levy increases, and Annette Thomas opposed increasing the mill levy over the RNR. The Commission explained that they would not increase the mill levy unless it was absolutely necessary, which was due to inflation factors and employee retention, and noted that the past few years mother nature has depleted the Special Bridge & Highway Funds. There being no further public comment, Commissioner Lair thanked those attending & comments, and closed the public hearing.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to adopt Resolution #2022-011 to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried 3-0.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miler to adopt the proposed FY2023 County budget & Rural Fire District budget as published. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried 3-0.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Approved warrants in the amount of \$176,494.19.
2. Approved payroll in the amount of \$111,388.83.
3. Reports received: Road & Bridge Dept, Clerk, Treasurer, Register of Deeds, GIS fee reports, 911 call log, and employee overtime.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m. to reconvene on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

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

RECORDED BY:

Casey Lair, Chairman

Kayla Busch, County Clerk