

**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

July 6, 2022

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 June 22, 2022 as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

FY2023 PROPOSED COUNTY BUDGET:

Phil Jarred, County Auditor, presented the proposed budget draft of \$9,749,940.00 which will be a 3.75 mill increase from the FY2022 budget. Following discussion, it was noted that the increase of \$685,852.00 will be above the Revenue Neutral Rate. The budget hearings are scheduled for September 7th @ 10:00 a.m.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve the FY2023 proposed County budget for publication. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

LANDFILL CONTRACT ADDENDUM:

Bill Graham, Landfill Operator, discussed a clause in his contract regarding the increase in cost of doing business. The current contract expires in 2024, but due to inflation and the increase in fuel cost he requested an increase to his contract. The Commission tabled the matter until the next meeting.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

Kris Marple, County Coordinator, presented a proposal for employee bonuses using the American Rescue Plan Act funds. Current employees must have been employed during the period of March 1, 2020 to December 1, 2021 to be eligible. The bonus criteria is \$3,000.00 for elected officials & heads of department, \$1,000.00 to \$2,000.00 for employees based on their number of working hours. He also discussed adding construction & demolition materials to the waste tire monofill permit for Starbuck Trucking. He also submitted quotes for a new telephone system for the Courthouse from Kansas Communications Services, and Hugh's Tel Com using ARPA funds.

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

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the addendum to the permit for Starbuck Trucking as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to accept the quote from Hugh's Tel Com in the amount of \$20,978.00 for a new telephone system. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. County Attorney John Gillett discussed hiring a full-time Assistant County Attorney.
2. Kathy Brennen introduced herself as the new SEK Area Agency on Aging Director, and discussed the budget request of \$10,000.00 for FY2023.
3. Approved payroll in the amount of \$112,707.61.
4. Approved warrants in the amount of \$443,895.48.
5. Approved tax roll corrections: 2022-321 to 330.
6. Reports received: Sheriff, Register of Deeds, Health Dept, Appraiser, GIS & Clerk fees. 911 call log, and employee overtime.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m. to reconvene on **Wednesday, July 20, 2022** at 9:00 a.m.

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

ATTEST:

Casey Lair, Chairman

Kayla Busch, Deputy County Clerk