

**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

August 14, 2024

The Board of County Commissioners, 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. Commissioner Lair was absent.

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Miller 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 7, 2024 as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

WILSON MEDICAL CENTER BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Tom Hood, CEO of Wilson Medical Center, informed the Commission that Dr. Bert Chronister is retiring and requested that Dr. Miranda McKellar be appointed to replace him on the WMC Board of Trustees.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to appoint Dr. Miranda McKellar to the WMC Board of Trustees effective immediately. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT. REPORT:

Kary Tatum, Road & Bridge Supervisor, further discussed the lease purchase for a tractor & mower, the best quote in the amount of \$99,550.00 for a Kioti tractor & Ironcraft mower was received from Fredonia Outdoor Equipment. He also reported that there were weather delays, but Decatur Bridge should be reopen soon. He also informed that he will be attending the MINK (Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas) Conference in St. Joseph, Missouri on September 25th & 26th. He also submitted a right-of-way permit for Rodney Shelton for ditch work on East Jackson Street, which was approved by consensus. He also reported road work at 1700 Rd & Ness Rd, and bridge work at 1800 Rd & Inman Rd.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the purchase of a Kioti tractor & Ironcraft mower from Fredonia Outdoor Equipment in the amount of \$99,550.00. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

CANVASS OF VOTES:

At 9:45 a.m. the Board of Canvassers, consisting of Andrew Miller, Jerry Scott & Kris Marple, canvassed the votes of the primary election. County Election Officer Kayla Busch presented 17 provisional ballots, of which 6 were eligible to be counted and 11 were not eligible. The Canvassers approved the 6 eligible provisional ballots, which did not change any outcomes of the primary election races. Kayla reported that there were 1,377 total ballots cast.

SHERIFF’S REPORT:

Sheriff Jack Lucke, presented a quote from Jay Hatfield for a 2024 Dodge Ram 1500 in the amount of \$42,500.00.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the purchase of a 2024 Dodge Ram 1500 from Jay Hatfield in the amount of \$42,500.00. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COORDINATOR’S REPORT:

Kris Marple, County Coordinator, presented Resolution #2024-011 proposing to close an alley in Section 13, Township 29, Range 14. He also informed that Tom Currie has agreed to serve on the County Zoning Board. He also discussed Caley Cemetery District Board having only one current Board member, and Brenda Huelsman & Ron Trimmell have agreed to serve with Don Haun. He also submitted the monthly budget reports, and August employee birthday cards for signature.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to adopt Resolution #2024-011 as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to appoint Tom Currie as a member of the County Zoning Board effective immediately. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to appoint Brenda Huelsman & Ron Trimmell to the Caley Cemetery District Board effectively immediately. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Dr. Brandi Tharp-Houdashelt met with the Commission to request a County-wide protocol for rabid animals. They referred her to Dr. Jennifer McKenney, County Health Officer & Amy Lell, Health Dept. Administrator.
2. Approved warrants in the amount of \$346,592.88.
3. Approved tax roll corrections: 2024-324 to 422.
4. Reports received: Employee Overtime.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m. to reconvene on Wednesday, August 21, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

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

RECORDED BY:

Casey Lair, Chairman

Kayla Busch, County Clerk