

**WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

September 20, 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 presented, and approve the minutes of September 6, 2023 as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT. REPORT:

Kary Tatum, Road & Bridge Supervisor, reported on culverts replaced on Decatur Road and road work at 200 & Franklin Road. He also discussed using concrete instead of asphalt to finish the Harper Bridge. Commissioner Lair inquired about increased traffic on 410 Road due to the US-169 detour, and requested that KDOT be contacted. Commissioner Miller discussed the motor grader operators assisting with prioritizing roads that needed rock before winter. It was also decided that regular hours will resume for the Road & Bridge Department on October 2nd.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

Kris Marple, County Coordinator, presented a revised work cost estimate for the Ness Bridge Project for the amount of \$181,784.59 which is the County's 20%. He also reported that he submitted the annual Federal Funds Exchange application in the amount of \$74,151.00 to KDOT. He also presented a quote from Secure Tech to service the Wave Security System in the amount of \$1,857.75. He also discussed having a County Surplus Property silent auction October 2- November 3rd on the first floor of the Courthouse, which was approved by consensus. He also requested landfill fees be waived for the residence at 1316 N. 4th Street in Neodesha.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the service quote from Secure Tech as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Lair to approve the landfill fees waiver as presented. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COUNTY CLERK'S REPORT:

Kayla Busch, County Clerk, presented Resolution #2023-009 authorizing the destruction of ballots from the 2021 election cycle. She also received the annual letter from PVD stating that the County Appraiser met the minimum statistical & procedural compliance for 2023.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to adopt Resolution #2023-009 as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

EMS SALES TAX UPDATE:

Kris Marple, County Coordinator, reported that with three months of sales tax distribution being received that the EMS fund balance was \$

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve allocating the sales tax to Fredonia EMS & Neodesha EMS beginning October 1, 2023 instead of January 1, 2024. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

HEALTH DEPT. REPORT:

Amy Lell, Health Dept. Administrator, reported that the All Hands on Deck Grant was awarded in the amount of \$130,000.00 over a 2-year period for drug endangered children programs. She also informed that flu shot clinics will start October 3rd, and the drive-thru clinic will be October 6th. She & Dr. McKenney also discussed new vaccines for COVID, RSV, and pneumonia, and the costs associated with them.

ZONING CASE #2023-001 HEARING:

At 10:15 a.m. Chairman Lair opened the hearing on Zoning Case #2023-001 for a Special Use Permit in the Agricultural Zone to construct a wireless communications tower near Buffalo. Kris Marple, Zoning Administrator, reported that the Zoning Board approved a favorable recommendation. There being no public comment, Commissioner Lair closed the hearing.

ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Miller to approve Special Use Permit #2023-001 as presented. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Approved payroll in the amount of \$120,394.59.
2. Approved warrants in the amount of \$276,920.15.
3. Reports received: 911 call log, and employee overtime report.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m. to reconvene on Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

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

RECORDED BY:

Casey Lair, Chairman

Kayla Busch, County Clerk