

Pawnee County Commissioners
Minutes
January 3, 2022

Present: Commissioners: Lewis, Hammeke, Rein

9:04am Meeting was called to order, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Rein presented Commissioner Lewis with a plaque for her five years of service as a County Commissioner.

Clerk Rein presented minutes from December 19th and 27th for review and corrections, Pawnee County Employee Handbook, payroll reports and checks and a payable voucher with check.

Commissioners and Clerk Rein reviewed the changes to the Pawnee County Employee Handbook. Discussion took place.

Motion by Rein, seconded by Hammeke to accept and adopt the Pawnee County Employee Manual, effective January 1, 2023, as presented. Motion passes, 3-0.

Clerk Rein presented payable voucher and check. Discussion took place regarding budget.

Clerk Rein presented a Cereal Malt Beverage renewal for the Columbus Club of Larned, Inc.

Motion by Rein, seconded by Hammeke to approve the Cereal Malt Beverage Retail License for the Columbus Club of Larned, Inc. as presented. Motion passes, 3-0.

Clerk Rein presented K-WORC premium for 2023. Clerk Rein stated it is \$30,000.00 higher than last year, but explained it has EMS on it this year and rates did increase over last year's bill.

Clerk Rein presented a payroll change notice for EMS employee for a promotion due to completing classes to become an AEMT.

Motion by Hammeke, seconded by Rein to approve payroll change notice for EMS effective 12/28/2022 as presented. Motion passes, 3-0.

Clerk Rein presented Order to the Treasurer to Re-Classify a check that was paid out from County Clerk Tech Fund and should have been paid out of Historical Collection for computer purchased for scanning historical collections.

Motion by Rein, seconded by Hammeke to accept the Order to the Treasurer to re-classify funds dated 12/29/2022 as presented. Motion passes, 3-0.

9:55 Beth Wright, Pawnee County Citizen met with the Commissioners to discuss the signage out at Camp Pawnee's trails. She stated she rides her bicycle out there and has been questioned regarding her riding her bicycle out there. Beth suggested maybe signage be changed to include bicycles.

10:15 Kurt Demel, Road and Bridge, Noxious Weed, Zoning Department Head and Interim Solid Waste Department Head. Kurt updated Commissioners on issues regarding OS 75 bridge. Kurt stated they do not have to sign off on the completion until Pawnee County is satisfied with the work.

Kurt discussed having a new recycling agreement drafted between Pawnee County and Sunflower Diversified.

Kurt gave road/bridge updates.

Kurt explained to the Commissioners an issue that arose on the observed New Year's Eve Holiday (Friday, December 30, 2022) and the Solid Waste department. He stated the employee's thought Friday was a full day holiday and did not come in to work. Kurt stated he pulled two employees from Road and Bridge and the landfill was open from 10:00am to 2:00pm. He stated they notified the sanitation department at the City of Larned as well as Pawnee Sanitation to let them know the hours and asked Joel to put the announcement on Facebook.

10:20 **Motion by Rein, seconded by Hammeke to enter into executive session for a period of 10 minutes from 10:20 to 10:30 for the purpose of personnel to include Kurt Demel, Interim Solid Waste Department Head and Clerk Rein. Motion passes, 3-0.**

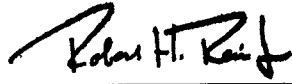
10:30 Reconvened to regular session; no action taken.

10:30 Sheriff Scott King spoke to the Commissioners regarding KCAMP Risk Avoidance Grant Program Application. Sheriff King stated if awarded the grant the Sheriff's Department would use the funds to purchase a grill guard for the new vehicle at the Sheriff's Department.

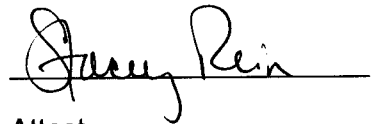
Motion by Hammeke, seconded by Rein to approve the KCAMP Risk Avoidance Grant Program Application to be used by the Sheriff's Department for purchase of a grill guard for a new Sheriff's vehicle. Motion passes, 3-0.

Commissioner Rein stated progress is being made on the Zoning and Planning Commission Committees.

10:46 Motion for Adjournment



For the Board:
Chair, Board of Commissioners



Attest:
County Clerk