

Pawnee County Commissioners
Meeting
July 11, 2022

Present: Commissioners: Lewis, Rein

Absent: Commissioner Hammeke

8:19 Meeting was called to order, Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Rein presented payables checks and vouchers, draft minutes for review and corrections, budget reports.

Clerk Rein and Commissioners discussed the 2023 Budget.

9:00 Sheriff Scott King, Undersheriff Larry Atteberry, Lieutenant Josh Huff, Kurt Demel, Road and Bridge, Zoning Department Head, Jason Zink, Assistant EMS Director, Kara Lawrence, EMS Director, Clerk Rein. Present via Zoom was Brandon Scott, Enterprise and Ryan McCreery, Enterprise was present for a Zoom meeting with the Commissioners and Enterprise regarding information on leasing fleets. Brandon gave an overview of the government leasing program. Brandon gave three options of payment for the leases. Brandon explained that they also have maintenance agreement with their program. Discussion took place.

Commissioner Rein asked department for additional information on department vehicles. Commissioners stated they could see the benefits in leasing but it would take a restructuring process of the budget, which time is not available for the upcoming budget year.

10:34 **Motion for executive session for 5 minutes from 10:34 to 10:30 for the purpose of personnel to include Kurt Demel, Road and Bridge Department Head and Clerk Rein and County Attorney McNett. Motion passes, 2-0.**

10:39 Reconvened to regular session

Motion by Rein to approve payroll change notice for Road and Bridge effective 7/7/2022 as presented. Motion passes, 2-0.

Motion by Rein to approve two payroll change notices for Road and Bridge dated 7/18/2022 for Equipment Op II/Chemical Operator and 8/1/2022 for Equipment Op II/Chemical Operator as presented. Motion passes, 2-0.

Kurt presented a Township Agreement between Santa Fe Township and Pawnee County. The Agreement states that Pawnee County agrees to do work and services in Santa Fe Township on a per hour rate, effective from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

Motion by Rein to approve Santa Fe Township Agreement between Pawnee County effective from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022. Motion passes, 2-0.

Kurt updated the Commissioners on current projects his department is working on.

10:49 Kara Lawrence, EMS Director and Jason Zink, Assistant EMS Director met with the Commissioner to update them on EMS staffing issues in Burdett station. Kara presented proposed Plan of Action suggestions.

Discussion took place.

11:00

David May, River Township citizen met with the Commissioner to discuss a noxious weed issue. Also present for the meeting Kurt Demel, Road & Bridge, Noxious Weed/Zoning, Marty Loving, River Township Trustee, Dr. Mike Burdett, County Attorney McNett, Monte Stambaugh, Pawnee Rock City Council. David explained to the Commissioners about a noxious weed issue in a field across the road from his home. David presented a video of the field and what it looked like. Kurt Demel, stated he has spoken with the care taker of the field and explained what steps will need to take place to be rid of the weed and the consequences of not completing the steps. The concerned citizens stated it is now a problem for everyone in the area due to the seeds sprouting and blowing. Commissioners asked that a certified letter be sent to the land owner with the steps that must take place to rid the weed. Kurt stated he would contact the Barton County, Noxious Weed department to make them aware of the situation in Pawnee County.

Clerk Rein reviewed the Commissioners agenda for July 18, 2022.

11:43

Motion by Rein to enter into executive session for a period 5 minutes from 11:43 to 11:48 for the purpose of personnel to include Clerk Rein. Motion passes, 2-0.

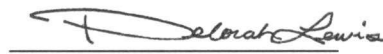
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Reconvened to regular session.


Commissioners discussed the position for the Solid Waste Supervisor

12:33

Motion for Adjournment



For the Board:
Chair, Board of Commissioners



Attest:
County Clerk