

Pawnee County Commissioners
Minutes
August 9, 2021

Present: Commissioners: Rein, Lewis, Hammeke Clerk Rein.

8:05 Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Rein presented agenda, payables vouchers with checks, draft minutes for review and corrections, approved minutes for signature, interim statement.

10:00 Tina Keeler, Pawnee County Appraiser presented information regarding Soil update. Tina stated we would not need to outsource soil mapping due to the lines not changing. Tina stated that she was able to update the soils content in the computer systems.

10:15 Kim Barnes along with Rita Kurtz spoke to the Commissioners about election reapportionment. Kim explained that the State is taking consideration for redistricting some counties. Kim stated that he felt Pawnee County should be voting in one district instead of two. Currently Pawnee County votes in the 113th district and the 117th district depending on what township you live in. Kim and Rita both suggested that the Commissioner write to the Secretary of State to see if it is possible to get Pawnee County redistricted so the whole county can vote in the 117th district.

Tami Keenan, Pawnee County Treasurer presented the Treasurer Quarterly Report for review and signature.

Stacey Rein, Pawnee County Clerk updated the Commissioner stating that Kara Lawrence, City of Larned EMS Director is needing the payment for the ambulance before she goes to conference.

Commissioners called Kara due to some question that arose. Commissioners spoke to Kara regarding insurance concerns about driving the ambulance back from conference. Kara stated that the company could deliver it, and she would call and get the delivery arranged.

Kara updated the Commissioners on information she received from Board of Pharmacy. Kara stated the Board of Pharmacy has no issues with the ambulance being housed in Burdett with the Fire Truck. The Board did suggest that the medication safe have individual codes for the workers to use, versus one code for all employees.

Updates were given regarding the billing company Omni. Kara stated a new contract is being drawn up for next year.

Kara spoke of some changes that will need to be discussed for budget year 2023.

Motion by Rein, seconded by Hammeke to approve the Quarterly Treasurer Report for balances ending July 31, 2021, as presented. Motion passes. 2-0

Budget discussion took place.

10:22 Kurt Demel, Road & Bridge, Noxious Weed, Zoning Department Head presented County Road Crossing Permit for FG Holl Co, LLC for 60th and N road for a 3" poly gas line and 2" poly saltwater line.

Motion by Rein, seconded by Lewis to approve the County Road Crossing permit for FG Holl Company, LLC for 60th and N Road as presented. Motion passes. 3-0

Kurt updated the Commissioners on a property regarding the OS 21, Kurt stated they fixed the issue.

Kurt presented Grain Belt Road Agreement as well as an Agreement drawn up by the Pawnee County Attorney and Kurt. Kurt stated the Agreement from Grain Belt was very vague, so he worked with the County Attorney to draw up a new contract with a few more contingencies in it, such as the contract would terminate in two years and would need to be re-negotiated if needed. Kurt stated this agreement has been sent to the other counties that will also be working with Grain Belt to hopefully have all counties involved use the same Road Maintenance Agreement.

Noxious Weed has sprayed 17 townships and have 3 to go. Kurt explained that Garfield township sprays their own township.

Overlaying has begun for townships.

Kurt explained that his crew will need to repair a box structure in Walnut Township, up by the Rush County Line on the Pawnee County side.

Commissioners and Kurt discussed the 2022 budget for Road and Bridge department.

11:59

Motion to Adjourn

Philip Hammeke

For the Board:

Chair, Board of Commissioners

Stacey Rein

Attest:

County Clerk