

June 28th, 2022
Reno County Annex
Hutchinson, Kansas

The Board of Reno County Commissioners held an agenda session at the Annex Conference Room with Chairman Daniel Friesen, Commissioner Ron Sellers, and Commissioner Ron Hirst, County Administrator Randy Partington, County Counselor Patrick Hoffman, and County Clerk Donna Patton, present.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a short sectarian prayer led by Pastor Steve Gill with Turon Community Church.

Shannon Wedge and Jennifer Griffin with American Red Cross gave an update on available services they have and how they have serviced the community.

Commissioner Friesen moved Item 7B Approve resolution dividing Reno County into Commissioner Districts & Item 7C Reno County Automotive Annual Update in front of Item 78A the ARPA discussion.

Mayor Don Smith with the City of Arlington expressed gratitude for the bridge East of Arlington and inquired if there could be a ribbon cutting ceremony for the opening. Mr. Friesen said he thought that could be arranged.

There were no additions to the agenda.

Mr. Hirst moved, seconded by Mr. Friesen, to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of items 6A through 6S, including the Accounts Payable Ledger for claims payable on June 24th, 2022, totaling \$1,107,029.92, claims payable on July 1st, 2022, totaling \$433,189.74; approve BOCC final minutes from May 31st, May 31st Work Session; to approve Resolution No. 2022-16; A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO CONSENT TO THE SUBORDINATION OF THE COUNTY'S TAXABLE INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2018 (AGRI CENTER) TO A MODIFICATION OF MORTGAGE; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS TO AFFECT NECESSARY ACTIONS; and approval for Community Corrections Criminal Justice Systems Security Policy updates as recommended by Kansas Highway Patrol; approval Community Corrections Contract with Community Solutions, Inc. for Quality Assurances and Coaching for Officers regarding Risk and Needs Assessments;

approval for purchase of Square 9 Document Management Software at an initial cost of \$37,956.00; approve to destroy 2020 Primary Election Materials; approve request to accept the quote from Heartstone Inc. Wichita, Kansas, to crush 8,000 tons of concrete; approval of the Annual Update for the South Central Solid Waste Management Plan; approve Reno County Fire District #3 (Nickerson & The Highlands) engine/pumper truck purchase FL70 E-One VIN 1FV6HLCBXVH840866; approve authorization for County Administrator to sign title to Reno County Fire District 3's 1997 Ford as presented by staff. authorize County Administrator to sign title to Reno County Fire District #3's 1997 Freightliner Engine/Pumper FL70 E-One VIN 1FV6HLCBXVH840866 to be sold; authorize County Administrator to sign title for 1991 Ford 2T F700, VIN#1FDWK74P8MVA28038; authorize the County Administrator to sign title to 2017 Ford Explorer, MP with VIN 1FM5K8AR5HGC57097; authorize the County Administrator to sign title to 2017 Ford Explorer, MP with VIN 1FM5K8AR5HGC57096; authorize the County Administrator to sign title to 2018 Ford Explorer, MP with VIN 1FM5K8AR9JGB12439; authorize the County Administrator to sign title to 2015 Ford Explorer, MP with VIN 1FM5K8AR8FGA57568; authorize the County Administrator to sign title to 2018 Ford F-150 Police Responder VIN 1FTEW1PG7JKE86535; authorize the County Administrator to sign title for 2008 Chevrolet 1 Ton VIN 1GCHK34K18E177438; authorize the County Administrator to sign title for 2009 Chevrolet 2500 VIN 1GCHK34K09F147298; The consent agenda motion was approved by a roll call vote of 3-0.

Jenna Fager Deputy County Clerk met with the Board to Approve **Resolution #2022-17; A RESOLUTION DIVIDING RENO COUNTY INTO COMMISSIONER DISTRICTS PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 19-204.** Ms. Fager stated having considered the census data, the Board of County Commissioners found that the current composition of commissioner districts established by Resolution #2021-14 remains as compact and equal in population as possible. **Mr. Sellers moved, seconded by Mr. Hirst,** to approve the resolution. The consent agenda motion was approved by a roll call vote of 3-0.

Reno County Automotive Director Kyle Berg met with the Board for his Annual Update. He informed the Board that vehicle prices have gone up 5% and parts are getting hard to find. A vehicle equipment fund was created so when the time to order is opened, they would be able to order and pay for the vehicles from that fund. He would like to sell the vehicles on Purple Wave instead of trading them in. He also discussed fuel prices and was asked if it is possible to use locally owned stations to get fuel and he said he would check into it.

County Administrator Randy Partington discussed the spreadsheet he created with the Commissioners' thoughts on the ARPA allocations. He said he would like the Board to finalize the top priorities. **Mr. Friesen moved, seconded by Mr. Hirst,** to approve the distribution of \$4.5 million dollars to The United Way. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 3-0.

Mr. Hirst moved, seconded by Mr. Sellers, to approve the allocation of \$4 million to Interfaith Housing and \$500,000 to SCKEDD. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 3-0.

Mr. Hirst moved, seconded by Mr. Sellers, to approve the allocation of \$1.2 million to the Chamber of Commerce Industrial Development to assist with utility development subject to the park being developed and subject to final staff approval to match certain costs associated with the park development. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 3-0.

The next items were discussed and agreed upon:

\$200,000 - HCC & Hutchinson Regional Medical Center for expanded nursing program facilities.

\$260,000 - Arlington EMS Station.

\$12,100 - Haven EMS Equipment.

\$440,000 - City of Hutchinson Fire Department for brush trucks.

\$37,500 - Pretty Prairie EMS Ambulance Station.

\$113,000 - Reno County Emergency Management for Fire District Capital Equipment and Software.

\$70,000 - Reno County Emergency Management for Fire Administrator equipment needs.

\$50,000 - Reno County Sheriff to work with Automotive director Kyle Berg and decide the appropriate truck for on-site situations by the Sheriff.

\$137,000 - Administrative Expenses for Audits and Administrative Work.

\$522,785 - Reno County Administration for Health Department and Emergency Management Building needs.

Mr. Sellers moved, seconded by Mr. Hirst, to ask Mr. Partington to prepare a spreadsheet with the allocations indicated today for a formal approval including in that presentation the MOU's he needs to have from the individual requesters for the ARPA funds and bring them back to the Board at their next meeting. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 3-0. Mr. Hoffman was working with MOU agreements from requesters.

At 10:40 a.m. the meeting recessed for 10 minutes.

At 10:50 a.m. the meeting reconvened and returned to open session with all three Commissioners, Mr. Partington, Mr. Hoffman and Mrs. Patton present.

Mr. Partington discussed the 2023 Budget Summary he had prepared. He informed the Board that they will need to notify the County Clerk by July 20th if they plan to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate. He explained some cuts that the Board would need to make to not exceed the RNR. Mr. Sellers thanked Mr. Partington for the work he had done preparing the budget summary. Mr. Friesen asked the other members to give Mr. Partington some feedback on cuts they would like to see or if they would like to leave the budget numbers. He said he would like to set the max levy and work to get the levy down from there. The RNR is 37.468 and the max levy was 39.475. Mr. Partington then discussed the Special Districts and noted that most of them will need to exceed their RNR. Mr. Partington will prepare the notice to the County Clerk for Reno County and the Special Districts to exceed their RNR's and bring them to the Board for approval.

Mr. Partington asked the Board if there were any questions on the monthly reports in the packets. He said he appreciated Department Heads being in the audience to answer questions. Don Brittain Public Works Director told the Board that hot asphalt is up \$5.44/ton and cold asphalt is up \$5.77/ton and noted this is a 10% increase.

Commissioner Comments:

Mr. Sellers commented that he enjoyed the Red Cross report and liked the idea of a ceremony for the Arlington bridge.

Mr. Hirst commented on the hotel situation in Hutchinson.

Mr. Friesen commented that KS Farm Bureau is having an elected officials forum at their next scheduled meeting on July 12th. He let them know that this conflicted with the Board's regular meeting so they probably wouldn't be attending.

At 10:00 a.m. **Mr. Friesen moved** for the commission to enter into executive session, until 12:00 p.m. with the County Administrator and the County Counselor to discuss the subject of performance of one or more non-elected county personnel with the executive session justified by the need to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in confidence. **Mr. Hirst seconded the motion.** The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 2-1 with Mr. Sellers voting no.

At 12:00 p.m. the meeting adjourned until 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 19th, 2022.

Approved:

Chair, Board of Reno County Commissioners

(ATTEST)

Reno County Clerk
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Date