

The Board of Woodson County Commissioners met in a regular business session on January 26th, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. with Chairman Monty Barnett, Vice-Chairman Wayne Faulkner, Member Justin Clark, County Attorney Schlotterbeck, and County Clerk Tesla Bayles.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Justin Clark made the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Wayne Faulkner seconded the motion with Barnett making it unanimous.

Justin made the motion to approve the January 19th, 2021 minutes as printed. Faulkner seconded it.

Michael Clancy from Rental Dry USA met with the board to discuss drying out the building to help with the building's erosion; specifically, in the basement. Commissioners allow them to do a free inspection of the building.

Kim and Carl from Ameren Transmission met with board to discuss the Wolf Creek to Blackberry project. They will be putting transmission lines from Wolf Creek to Blackberry close to Pittsburgh. The lines may cross through Woodson County.

Sheriff Jeffery McCullough met with the board to discuss a letter from commissioners to the bank for his employees to be added to the sheriff's bank account. Letter will be written by sheriff and commissioners will sign. New cameras and tasers were discussed.

Justin moved to remove motion of wage approval. Faulkner seconded it.

Justin moved to approve wage sheet for Davin West. Faulkner seconded it.

County Treasurer Michelle Zimmerman discussed 2020 courthouse budget.

Gary Ward discussed his concerns about the county roads.

Barnett moved to enter into executive session for non-elected personnel in order to protect employee confidentiality to discuss employee job performance for 15 minutes with the Board, County Attorney, and County Clerk starting at 10:04 a.m. and reconvened, in the courtroom at 10:19 a.m. Faulkner seconded it.

Dane met with the board to discuss roads in Neosho Falls. Buying a ½ tank culvert was discussed. Commissioners allowed the purchase and initialed a quote for culvert.

Justin moved to allow the chair to sign annual agreement for CIC. Faulkner seconded the motion with Barnett making it unanimous.

Michelle presented 2020 year-end and monthly reports for all departments to the board. Clark made the motion to accept year end and monthly dept. reports. Faulkner seconded it with Barnett making it unanimous.

Michelle discussed Columbus Day as an employee training day. Tabled.

Discussed commissioners getting an official email.

Justin moves to designate GN Bank to be official bank. Faulkner seconded it with Barnett making it unanimous.

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Faulkner moves to appoint Yates Center News as official newspaper. Justin seconded it with Barnett making it unanimous.

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March 16-18 is Audit and will be in commissioner's room.

Michelle talked about hiring a high school senior for part time in her office.

Michelle is putting together a policy and procedure manual for each department.

Idol investment report was presented to the board and was signed.

Fire Chief Nick Barney met with the board to discuss the donation of a new fire truck. It will be customized to make it a fire truck. Rural Fire's budget was discussed to bring newly elected officials up to speed. Discussed permanent burn ban with a resolution. Discussed RFD's hiring policy that is being reevaluated.

Justin moved to enter into an executive session for non-elected personnel in order to protect employee confidentiality to discuss employee job performance for 15 minutes with the Board, County Attorney, and County Clerk starting at 11:55 a.m. and reconvened, in the courtroom, at 12:10 p.m. Faulkner seconded it.

Job duties for Heritage Hills manager was discussed.

Employee benefit fund was discussed. Tabled for next week.

Justin moved to approve wage sheet for Lauren Bertsch. Faulkner seconded it with Barnett making it unanimous.

Faulkner moved to approve Resolution 21-03. Justin seconded it with Barnett making it unanimous.

Faulkner moved to approve Resolution 21-04. Clark seconded it with Monty making it unanimous.

Clark moved for attorney client privileges to discuss legal liability for 10 minutes with the commissioners and county attorney starting at 1:00 p.m., and reconvened, in the courtroom, at 1:10 p.m.

Barnett moved to approve vouchers at the amount of \$121,504.82. Justin seconded it with Faulkner making it unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Monty Barnett, Chairman

Tesla Bayles, County Clerk

Wayne Faulkner, Vice-Chairman

Justin Clark, Member