

Commissioner Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Justin Clark, Kevin Stuber, Jerry Sedlacek, and Amanda DeWitt

Pledge of Allegiance: Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve the agenda.
 - Kevin Stuber seconded; motion passed.

Approval of Minutes

- Kevin Stuber moved to approve the minutes from last week's meeting.
 - Jerry Sedlacek seconded; motion passed.

Executive Session

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect employee confidentiality with the commissioners until 9:10 a.m.
 - Kevin Stuber seconded; motion passed.

Solid Waste Discussion

- James Kuron is waiting on quotes to repair rusted roll-off containers.

Executive Session

- Justin Clark moved to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss employee performance with the commissioners, clerk, and James Kuron until 9:25 a.m.
 - Kevin Stuber seconded; motion passed.
- Justin Clark moved to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss a new hire with the commissioners, clerk, and David Waddell until 9:35 a.m.
 - Jerry Sedlacek seconded; motion passed.

Solid Waste Supervisor

- Kevin Stuber moved to hire David Waddell as Solid Waste Supervisor and approve the wage sheet.
 - Jerry Sedlacek seconded; motion passed.

Executive Session

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss employee performance with the commissioners and sheriff until 9:50 a.m.
 - Kevin Stuber seconded; motion passed.
- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss employee performance with the commissioners and sheriff until 9:55 a.m.
 - Kevin Stuber seconded; motion passed.

Sheriff's Department Update

- Jerry Sedlacek inquired about the delay in returning inmates. Jacob Morrison stated that he is waiting on a part for one cell and will then coordinate with Jared Helkenberg to bring inmates back.
- Jacob Morrison is developing a protocol for vehicle maintenance after two vehicles broke down on the same night.
- Jacob Morrison presented wage sheets for Atchison and Blanchard for their end-of-probation raises effective January 27, 2025.
- Jerry Sedlacek moved to sign the wage sheets for Dylan Blanchard and Justin Atchison as full-time deputies, effective January 27, 2025.
 - Kevin Stuber seconded; motion passed.

Executive Session

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session for attorney-client privilege with the option to call the county counselor, with the commissioners, clerk, and treasurer until 10:20 a.m.
 - Kevin Stuber seconded; motion passed.
- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session for attorney-client privilege with the option to call the county counselor, with the commissioners, clerk, and treasurer until 10:25 a.m.
 - Kevin Stuber seconded; motion passed.

Shared Leave Policy

- Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve shared leave funding to be taken from the department from which the leave is donated.
 - Kevin Stuber seconded; motion passed.

EMS New Hire

- Cari Cavender presented the new hire wage sheet for Joshua Breedwell as a PRN Paramedic.
 - Justin Clark seconded; motion passed.
- Cari Cavender requested an executive session.
- Justin Clark moved to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss employee performance with the commissioners and Cari until 10:45 a.m.
 - Kevin Stuber seconded; motion passed.

Break: Commissioners called a 5-minute break.

EMS Director

- Cari Cavender discussed her contract.
- Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve the Ambulance Director contract for the current year and allow the chair to sign it.
 - Justin Clark seconded; motion passed.

Road & Bridge Updates

- Gary Ward presented a new hire wage sheet for Michael Watson.
- Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve the new hire wage sheet for Michael Watson as a full-time laborer/operator for Road & Bridge.
 - Justin Clark seconded; motion passed.
- Gary Ward checked references for the Kansas City CDL training company, and all feedback was positive.
- Gary Ward is continuing work on the grant application.
- Jerry Sedlacek moved to approve an expenditure to Schwab Eaton engineering company not to exceed \$5,000, to be paid from the special highway fund for engineering specifications for the county-wide asphalt road improvement grant.
 - Justin Clark seconded; motion passed.
- Gary Ward reported that a motor grader is in Chanute for hydraulic pump repair. The company will analyze the broken pump to determine if the issue is covered under warranty.

Zoning

- Michelle Zimmerman noted that the zoning board has until the end of February to review the renewable energy moratorium.
- Stephanie Bedell from the zoning board informed Michelle Zimmerman that the Yoho property is in compliance with beneficial use of waste tires, and the state form is cleared for the chair to sign.
- Kevin Stuber moved to allow the chair to sign the zoning certification for waste tire beneficial use.
 - Jerry Sedlacek seconded; motion passed. Justin Clark abstained.

Flood Plain Resolution

- John Atkin discussed the flood plain resolution.

Regional Planning Membership

- Justin Clark moved to continue membership in the Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Committee for \$2,867.25, to be paid from economic development funds.
 - Kevin Stuber seconded; motion passed.

Executive Session

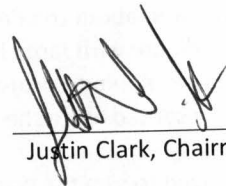
- Jerry Sedlacek moved to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect confidentiality until 11:51 a.m.
 - Justin Clark seconded; motion passed.

Voucher Approval

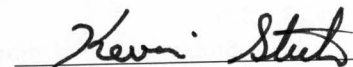
- Justin Clark moved to approve vouchers in the amount of \$122,071.87.
 - Kevin Stuber seconded; motion passed.

Adjournment

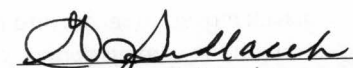
- Justin Clark moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:04 p.m.
 - Kevin Stuber seconded; motion passed.



Justin Clark, Chairman

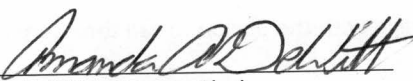


Kevin Stuber, Vice-Chairman



Jerry Sedlacek, Member

Attest:



Amanda DeWitt, County Clerk