

Minutes of October 18, 2021

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, October 18, 2021 at 9 a.m., Commissioner Kelly, Commissioner Brenner and Chairperson Kathrens were present. Deputy County Clerk Tara Peek recorded the minutes. County Counselor Lee Hendricks joined the meeting.

GAS representative Brett Waggoner joined the meeting to discuss the CDBG grant application for Delia Fire. Brett explained that there are 3 townships within the fire district and they must meet income criteria of 50.7% low to moderate income level. He stated that the average of the 3 townships was 51.1% low to moderate income level, which is above the threshold, however, the one township that exceeded the guidelines would cause additional income surveys and because of the timeframe needed to complete this process, they decided to wait until next year to reapply. They will continue to raise funds over the course of the year to be used for match funds. Chairperson Kathrens stated the Board appreciated Brett's efforts in this grant submission.

County resident Les Crawshaw joined the meeting to inform the Board that the phone lines had been repaired in his area. He discussed the possibility of removing some cedar trees that create a shady spot on 166 Road east of S Road where in the winter it becomes very icy. The Board will report his concern to Road and Bridge.

Commissioner Kelly made a motion to approve agreement 2021-27 Architect One for \$7,500.00 and Commissioner Brenner seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

Road and Bridge Superintendent Eric Fritz reported that patching should be done Tuesday. He provided the breakdown of cost for the snow blades for the new trucks, noting \$690.00 of the cost was for installation. He stated that they have to tie into the wiring harness and it would be best to allow Knapheide to complete the installation. At 9:37 a.m. Commissioner Kelly made a motion to enter into executive session for personnel with Eric Fritz and County Counselor Lee Hendricks present. Commissioner Brenner seconded and motion carried 3/0. Session reopened at 9:48 a.m. No action taken.

Commissioner Kelly made a motion to approve the Knapheide bid for a snow blade for \$6,631.00 (installed) and Commissioner Brenner seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

At 10:18 a.m. Commissioner Kelly made a motion to enter into executive session for attorney client privilege/possible litigation for 10 minutes with County Counselor Lee Hendricks and Tara Peek present. Commissioner Brenner seconded and motion carried 3/0. Session reopened at 10:30 a.m. No action taken.

Discussed mural contract, NextEra road maintenance agreement, redistricting Commission districts and a Stormont Vail bill with County Counselor Lee Hendricks.

At 10:48 a.m. Commissioner Kelly made a motion to enter into executive session for attorney client privilege/possible litigation for 15 minutes with County Counselor Lee Hendricks, County Clerk Kathy Mick and Tara Peek present. Commissioner Brenner seconded and motion carried 3/0. Session reopened at 11:03 a.m. No action taken.

Reviewed the first draft of the proposed employee handbook.

Banner Lake Director Kurt Zibell reported a busy weekend, about 80% full with campers. Kurt submitted Vail brush cutter bids as follows:

- KanEquip \$10,287.00
- Murphy Tractor \$12,500.00
- White Star \$11,800.00

Commissioner Kelly made a motion to approve the KanEquip bid of \$10,287.00 and Commissioner Brenner seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

Kurt reported that he had attended 2 meetings with Friends of Banner Creek Reservoir since the 12th. Kurt suggested that they bid out the entire project as a whole once they decide on the materials they would like for siding and flooring, etc. Staff closing the south side today for the season. Ray showed Kurt the winterizing methods used in past years.

Commissioner Brenner made a motion to approve the October 12th minutes as written and Commissioner Kelly seconded. Motion carried 3/0.

Signed the following payroll change notices:

Department	Name	From	To	Reason	Date / /
Sheriff/CESF grant	Susanne Chapman	\$15.00 per hour	\$	Resignation	10/13/2021
Road and Bridge	Jason Ross	\$16.67 per hour	\$	Resignation	10/22/2021
Road and Bridge	Mark Cole	\$16.14 per hour	\$16.67 per hour	Introductory Period Complete	10/29/2021

The meeting adjourned at p.m. The next Commission meeting will be Monday, October 25, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Board of County Commissioners
Jackson County, Kansas

Ed Kathrens, 1st District

Dan Brenner, 2nd District

Keith Kelly, 3rd District

Attest:

Kathy Mick
Jackson County Clerk

