

Gove County Commissioner Meeting Minutes 5-4-2020-Approved

The regular meeting of the Gove County Commissioners was called to order at 8:15 a.m. Members present were Duane Vollbracht, Chuck Kuntz, and Mike Gillespie. Shelly Holaday was present taking minutes,

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Commissioners joined the EOC at the 8:30 a.m. meeting via the zoom meeting application. The Commissioners ended the zoom meeting.

Shelly left the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Bonnie joined the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Mike made a motion to approve the agenda. Duane seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Denise and David joined the meeting at 9:02 a.m.

David reported on the millings that we've been getting. Duane reported a yield sign down at Road 32 and Y on the north side of the intersection. Duane also reported there is a T sign down at Road Z and 26. Shelly rejoined the meeting at 9:09 a.m. and Bonnie left the meeting at 9:09 a.m. Denise had Duane sign an authority to award contract commitment of county funds for the sign program. Mike made a motion to ratify Duane signing this document on 4-21-2020. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Denise presented an off system bridge 21 where they are going to be replacing the deck. The project number is 95-20. Duane made a motion to sign bridge project number 95-20. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Chuck made a motion to sign the agreement for construction engineering project number 32 C-4929-01. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Matt Wolf joined the meeting at 9:26 a.m. Matt and David discussed the millings being hauled to the Landfill. Matt cannot get a hold of the state engineer to see what to do with the old railroad ties. He will continue to try. Denise and David left the meeting at 9:42 a.m. Matt reported they received their new computer at the Landfill and it is working out very well. Matt reported they are spraying when the wind allows. The new employee has started work. Matt reported they decided the recycling will not be purchasing a new trailer. Matt reported on cost of chemicals. Matt reported when the best time to spray bull thistle and musk thistle is. They will start spraying it when it is time. Matt took the new spray pickup down to Ransom to get the flow meter attached and ready to go. Matt will pick it up today as it is done. Matt is going to put LEL lights on the old spray pickup for safety. Matt reported bindweed is starting to come on and he will begin spraying for it as soon as conditions allow it. Matt left the meeting at 10:13 a.m.

The Commissioners placed a call to Tawnya Rohr from the Senior Companion Program at 10:15 a.m. She explained what the budgeted monies would be used for in Gove County. The Commissioners thanked her for her time and will discuss the amount she

would like budgeted for the senior companion program. The Commissioners ended the call at 10:20 a.m.

Shelly left the meeting at 10:21 a.m. and Bonnie joined the meeting at 10:21 a.m.

Shelly rejoined the meeting at 10:34 a.m. and Bonnie left the meeting at 10:34 a.m.

Duane reported on the report from the Economic Development Director.

The Commissioners placed a call to David Stithem at 10:40 a.m. Chuck asked David how hard the county is going to be hit with lower oil valuations. David explained what the possible outlook is right now. David will have some better figures at the next meeting. Duane wanted to get David's feeling are about reopening to the public. David reported what is happening in Sheridan County. David explained how things have been working in the Appraiser's Office during the Covid-19 crisis. David suggested that the offices still stagger so that only one staff member is in the office at a time. The Commissioners ended the call at 10:50 a.m.

The Commissioners discussed the dispatch center.

Krystal Dewitt, Cheri Remington, Bonnie Cook, Daryl Remington and Cristy Tuttle joined the meeting to discuss the reopening of the Gove County Office Building.

Mark Schmeidler joined the meeting at 11:22 a.m.

Krystal Dewitt, Cheri Remington, Bonnie Cook, Daryl Remington and Cristy Tuttle left the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

The Commissioners recessed for lunch at 12:06 p.m. They will return to regular session at 1:00 p.m.

The Commissioners returned to regular meeting at 1:00 p.m. Bonnie Cook was present taking minutes.

Cheryl Goetz joined the meeting at 1:05 p.m. to go over the Coved-19 guide lines. Cheri Remington, Krystal Dewitt, and Cristy Tuttle joined the meeting. Cheryl said that Hays Medical has a machine that will know as soon after being tested. The Commissioners decided to open up the county offices with locked doors. People can call the office if they are needing to make an appointment, starting Wednesday 6th 2020 and will end on May 19, 2020.

Mike made a motion to appoint Dr. Scott Rempel as county health officer. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Shelly Holaday joined the meeting at 2:09 p.m. Bonnie, Cheri, Cristy and Cheryl left the meeting at 2:09 p.m.

The Commissioners called David Stithem to discuss the airport and what the valuation is going to be. The Commissioners ended the call at 2:15 p.m. Krystal left the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

Duane made a motion to limit the people coming into the county office building to exclude individuals from high risk counties and states as determined by the county health officer and or health department. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Chuck made a motion to approve checks numbered 65641 to 65687. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Mike made a motion to approve adds/abates numbered 2020000043, 2020000045 thru 2020000048, and 2020000050 thru 2020000056. Duane seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Duane made a motion to approve the amended minutes. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Chuck made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 p.m. and Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned.