

County Commissioner Meeting Minutes 6-29-2020-**Approved**

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

David Caudill and Ericka Nicholson joined the meeting at 8:15 a.m.

Ericka reported CBDG applications are open. She reported 19 applications on the first day. She reported she still has money in the housing grant program. She would like the Economic Development Office involved in Phase 2 and 3 of the SPARKS act.

David Caudill reported they will have a hospital board meeting tomorrow and with the Commissioners approval purchase a house with money that was mostly donated.

Cheri Remington joined the meeting at 8:19 a.m.

Mike Haase joined the meeting at 8:20 a.m.

Cheryl Goetz joined the meeting at 8:23 a.m.

Ericka read a proposal for the SPARKS act.

Cheri reported on the financial side of the SPARKS act.

There was discussion on the SPARKS act. Chuck made a motion to appoint Mike Haase, Cheryl Goetz, David Caudill, Ericka Nicholson, and Cheri Remington to the Steering Committee for the SPARKS taskforce. Also, accepting the proposal for holding meetings, taking minutes, and doing agendas. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Chuck made a motion to appoint Cheryl Remington as point of contact for the SPARKS taskforce. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. There was discussion on the airport.

Mike, Cheryl, David, Ericka, and Cheri left the meeting at 9:08 a.m.

The Commissioners received a call from the Western Kansas Child Advocacy wanting them to sign a letter of support. They will email it to the Clerk's office and the Commissioners will review it and make a motion at that time.

Matt Wolf joined the meeting at 9:16 a.m. Shelly left the meeting at 9:16 a.m. and Bonnie joined the meeting at 9:16. Matt reported they are spraying musk thistle. They have one more side of interstate 70 to do. Matt hired a full time person at the Landfill on 6/24/2020. Matt left the meeting at 9:30 a.m. Shelly joined the meeting at 9:33 a.m. and Bonnie left the meeting at 9:33 a.m.

Mike made a motion to sign the notice and waiver from the Western Kansas Child Advocacy. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

David Mendenhall and Denise Wolf joined the meeting at 9:35 a.m. Duane Baalman with American Implement also joined the meeting at 9:35 a.m. David opened the quotes from BTI and American Implement for skid steers. The Landfill wanted a bigger machine this year. There was discussion on the skid steers. Mike made a motion to approve trading the two skid steers and purchasing 2 skid steers from American Implement. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Duane Baalman left the meeting at 9:43 a.m. There was discussion on the mowing at the Northwest Vo-Tech building. David reported they are about done working in Quinter. There was discussion on a road. David will put a pipe in the road when it dries out. There was discussion on a wreck that took place with a County vehicle. Denise handed out the voucher summary. Mike made a motion to sign the authority to award contract commitment of county funds for the bridge project number 032 C-4956-01. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. There was discussion on CHS's entrance. David and Denise left the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

Emily Vollbracht from the Appraiser's Office joined the meeting at 10:22 a.m. She came in to explain valuations and budgeting. Emily left the meeting at 10:34 a.m.

Cheri Remington joined the meeting at 10:38 a.m. She came in to discuss budgeting with the Commissioners. Bonnie joined the meeting at 10:46 a.m. and Shelly left the meeting at 10:46 a.m. Shelly rejoined the meeting at 11:00 a.m. and Bonnie left the meeting at 11:00 a.m. Cheri left the meeting at 11:02 a.m.

Mark Schmeidler joined the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

Ericka Nicholson rejoined the meeting at 11:07 a.m. Mike made a motion to pass resolution 2020-008 Gove County Coronavirus Relief Fund Resolution. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Ericka left the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

The Commissioners discussed the air space zoning at the airport.

Jonathan Harold joined the meeting at 11:22 a.m. He represents the Western Kansas Child Advocacy. He gave a presentation on what the center does. Jonathan left the meeting at 11:36 a.m.

There was discussion on the museums in the County.

Matt Wolf rejoined the meeting at 12:11 p.m. Matt asked about the Fourth of July holiday and what the Landfill should do. The Commissioners will let Matt know after lunch. Matt left the meeting at 12:21 p.m.

The Commissioners recessed for lunch at 12:21 p.m. and will return to regular session at 1:00 p.m.

The Commissioners returned to regular session at 1:00 p.m.

Patrick Richmeier joined the meeting at 1:00 p.m. He discussed the air space zoning at the airport. The Commissioners need to sign a resolution to expand the air space at the airport. Chuck made a motion to sign resolution 2020-009 Gove County Zoning Resolution. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Patrick discussed putting the airport question on the ballot. Patrick will have to get with the endowment board to get a better consensus on whether they want to put it on the general ballot or not. He will have information by the next County Commissioner meeting. Patrick left the meeting at 1:28 p.m.

Mike made a motion to approve checks numbered #65837 thru #65875. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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

Cheri rejoined the meeting. The building on 317 ½ Main was discussed. Cheri left the meeting at 1:48 p.m. Discussion continued on the building at 317 ½ Main.

Marvin joined the meeting to discuss the appointment to the Northwest Kansas Library System.

Mike made a motion to appoint Desirae Churchwell to the Western Prairie Food and Farm Alliance board. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Chuck made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:08 p.m. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned.