

Gove County Commissioner Meeting Minutes 8-24-2020-Approved

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

David Caudill and Mike Haase joined the meeting at 8:19 a.m.

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

David Caudill gave the hospital report.

Cheri Remington joined the meeting at 8:26 a.m.

Cheryl Goetz joined the meeting at 8:28 a.m. She began reporting on the SPARKS information. They are working with the schools to get the supplies they need. Cheri reported they have submitted everything and are waiting to hear back. Cheryl reported we have more cases in Gove County. Cheryl wanted to know what to do with the old Health Car. The Commissioner informed her to bring it back down to the Sheriff's Office to await a Sheriff's Sale. David, Mike, Chery Goetz, and Cheryl Remington left the meeting at 8:47 a.m.

David Mendenhall and Denise Wolf joined the meeting at 9:01 a.m. Denise handed out the voucher summary. David looked at a voucher the Commissioners had a question on. David discussed the road project up at Grainfield. David is going to wait until after harvest to start the project. They are going to fill in the holes before harvest. They are done mowing. The project in Grinnell is being held up by getting a utility line marked. The project in Park is still progressing. The road sign project will begin in September. Shelly left the meeting at 9:15 a.m. and Bonnie joined the meeting at 9:15 a.m. Shelly rejoined the meeting at 9:24 a.m. and Bonnie left the meeting. David and Denise left the meeting at 9:24 a.m.

Matt joined the meeting at 9:27 a.m. Matt reported that the iron pile is gone. Mike made a motion to approve the Gove County Commissioner and Board of Health special meeting minutes dated 8-17-2020. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Matt reported the pump to pump water out of the pit is a mud pump. He thinks that is the only way to keep the pit dried out. The Commissioners agreed to let Matt purchase the pump. Matt reported they are still working on railroad ties. Matt purchased a new printer for the Noxious Weed Department. He reported they have about 130 miles of roads left to spray. Matt is still fine tuning his program that shows where he has sprayed and when he has sprayed. Matt reported he sprayed the airport last week. Matt opened the quote for the forklift. The quote was for \$3,900.00. Matt had tested it out and said it was mechanically sound. Duane made a motion to approve

the purchase of the forklift for \$3,900.00. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. Matt left the meeting at 9:51 a.m.

Chuck made a motion to approve the appointment of Kyle Doxon to the Gaeland Township Board to fill out the unexpired term of Alan Beougher. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

The Commissioners will allow those who are in quarantine who can work from home to still draw regular wages. However, if they get too sick to work, it should then be counted as sick leave.

Shelly left the meeting at 10:20 a.m. and Bonnie joined the meeting at 10:20 a.m. Shelly returned to the meeting at 10:27 a.m. and Bonnie left the meeting.

Duane made a motion to approve Janice Crist as the alternate to the High Plains Mental Health Board. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Mike made a motion to approve the audit report of 2019. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Mike made a motion to approve checks numbered #66028 through #66107. Duane seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Chuck made a motion to approve the amended minutes for the Gove County Fire District #1 Budget hearing, Gove County Commissioner meeting minutes from 8-10-2020, the Board of County Canvassers meeting, and the Gove County Budget hearing. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Sherry White joined the meeting at 11:29 a.m. Duane explained to Sherry that the Commissioners would be willing to help with her once she has her business up and running. There was discussion on the subject. The Commissioners agreed to visit with Alan Weber, sheriff, and with his agreement would write a letter of commit for the funds she is requesting. Sherry left the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

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

Mark Schmeidler joined the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

The Commissioners asked some questions about election procedures for mailing out ballots. Discussion followed.

Chuck made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.