

Gove County Commissioner Meeting Minutes 3-22-21 / **Approved**

The regular meeting of the Gove County Commissioners was called to order at 8:15 a.m. at the Gove County Office Building. Member's present were Duane Vollbracht, Chuck Kuntz, and Mike Gillespie. Bonnie Cook was present taking minutes.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Kirk Zerr joined the meeting at 8:05 a.m. Kirk was asking about the millings on Castle Rock road. Kirk also said that the road was done very well. Kirk was also concerned about the Hospital.

Greg Thomas joined the meeting at 8:55 a.m. Jeremy Blackwell joined the meeting at 8:54 a.m.

David Mendenhall and Denise Wolf joined the meeting at 8:58 a.m.

Greg, Kirk and Jeremy discussed with the Commissioners about the curb and gutter by the Fronter Ag on old 40. Greg Thomas, Kirk Zerr and Jeremy Blackwell left the meeting at 9:17 a.m. David reported that they got the millings off of old 40. Denise reported to the commissioners about a KDOT cost share program. The commissioners discussed the roads east of Quinter. Duane made a motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes from 9:43 a.m. to 9:58 a.m. for non-elected personnel. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. David and Denise left the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

Matt Wolf joined the meeting at 10:04 a.m. Matt reported on the chemicals he has purchased for the Weed Dept. Matt reported that he had talked to Ericka Nicholson about grant money for recycling. Matt gave the commissioners a report from KDHE, Notice of Compliance/Non-compliance. There were no violations identified at this time. Matt also talked with the commissioners about Steel Dock Boards for the landfill. Matt left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Brian Mason with the High Plains Plumbing and Home Improvement joined the meeting at 10:30 a.m. Brian gave 2 quotes to the commissioners on the bathrooms to be remodeled to meet ADA requirements at the 4-H building. The commissioners will show the bids to the fair board. Brian left the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Chuck made a motion to approve add and abates. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Daryl Remington joined the meeting at 10:56. Daryl talked with the commissioners about our dumpster. Daryl left the meeting at 10:59 a.m.

The Commissioners called Mapes & Millers to discuss the county's budget.

The commissioners made a call to High Plains Mental Health- Walter Hill, Kris Vollbracht and Kaley Conner. Walter went over the Annual Report for 2020 with the commissioners via by phone. Walter, Kris and Kaylee ended the call at 11:44 a.m.

Mark Schmeidler joined the meeting at 11:42 a.m. The commissioners adjourned for lunch at 11:58 a.m. The commissioners returned from lunch at 1:00 p.m.

Duane made a motion to approve 3/8/2021 meeting minutes. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Sherry White joined the meeting at 1:00 p.m. Sherry is with the High Point Advocacy & Resource Center Inc. Sherry went over what services The High Point offers. Sherry White left the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

The spark committee (Cheri Remington, Cheryl Goetz, Ericka Nicholson, David Caudill, and Mike Haase) joined the meeting at 1:22 p.m.

Cheryl Goetz gave the report on the grant Gove County Health will be applying for a grant. The grant is the State of Kansas Department of Health and Environment. Duane made a motion to approve a fund to be opened for the COVID-19 ELC Expanding infrastructure. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Duane made a motion to sign the grant. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Cheryl reported that the spark money is finished. The committee reported on the stimulus money that will be coming in from the Federal/State

Cheri Remington, Cheryl Goetz, and Mike Haase left the meeting at 1:47 p.m.

David Caudill gave the commissioners a report on the County health Foundation. David also discussed the Airport. David left the meeting at 2:26 p.m.

Ericka reported on the CDBG project that she is working with.

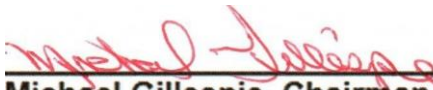
Ericka Nicholson reported on the ARP (American Rescue Plan) grant and what projects we can use it on. Ericka left the meeting at 2:37 p.m.

Tim Hansen joined the meeting at 1:50 p.m. Tim gave the commissioners a report on the water test that was done in the county. The State LEPC's new model code was released in 2021. Tim also reported on the changes to the sanitation code in the county. Tim left the meeting at 3:22 p.m.

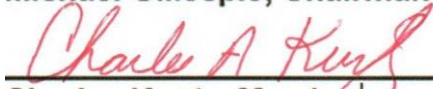
Cheri Remington joined the meeting at 3:23 p.m. to discuss budget questions by the commissioners. Cheri left the meeting at 3:53 p.m. Mike made a motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes from 3:53 p.m. until 4:03 p.m. for non-elected personnel. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Mike made a motion to go into executive session for 5 minutes from 4:03 p.m. until 4:08 p.m. for non-elected personnel. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Mike made a motion to appoint Ron Inloes to the Supervisors position.

Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The commissioners gave David Mendenhall a call 4:15 p.m. to tell him they appointed Ron as the supervisor's position. The call to David ended at 4:20 p.m. Chuck made a motion to approve the Accounts Payables checks #66940 thru #66997. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The commissioners discussed the LEPG codes. Duane made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

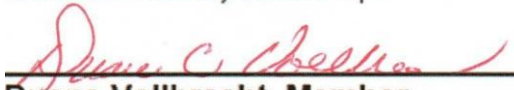
Bonnie Cook Gove County Clerk



Michael Gillespie, Chairman



Charles Kuntz, Member



Duane Vollbracht, Member