

LYON COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
MAY 16, 2024

The Lyon County Commissioners met in Action Session at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Chambers with the following people in attendance:

Rollie Martin, Chairman
Ken Duft, Commissioner
Molly Priest, County Counselor
Vici Smith, Public Relations

Doug Peck, Vice Chairman
Joe Torres, Deputy Clerk
Dan Williams, County Controller

Others attending the meeting:
Shane Brunner, LCAT
Shayla Gaulding, Gazette Reporter
Chip Woods, County Engineer
Sean Thurman, Unbound Gravel
Jim Brull, Road & Bridge
Jared Fell, Emergency Manager
Jean Barnett, I.T. Director

Chris Bartel, Resident
Casey Woods, Main St. Director
Josh Stevenson, Road & Bridge
Kristi Mohn, Unbound Gravel
John Koelsch, Undersheriff
Tagen Trahoon, KVOE Reporter

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Motion: To Approve the Agenda as presented. Martin/Duft 3-0

Motion: To Approve the Minutes of the 5-9-2024 meeting. Duft/Peck 3-0

Motion: To Approve Warrants Payable 5-17-2024 in the amount of \$331,705.73. Peck/Duft 3-0

Appointments: no action taken.

Shane Brunner presented a proclamation to the Commissioners to consider signing. This proclamation is to proclaim the week of May 27th through June 2nd as WALK, RUN & BIKE WEEK in Lyon County. This week is appropriate, due to the fact that Lyon County will be the focus of two major international bicycling and running events during this time.

Motion: To sign the Proclamation to proclaim the week of May 27, 2024 through June 2, 2024 as WALK, RUN & BIKE WEEK in Lyon County, Kansas. Duft/Martin 3-0

County Counselor Priest read the proclamation into the record.

Personnel changes: The Human Resources Department has presented the commissioners with some personnel changes this week.

Motion: To Approve the payroll and personnel changes as presented. Martin/Peck 3-0

Permits: no action taken.

Casey Woods presented the Commissioners with an update on Emporia Main Street. He distributed a packet of information and thoroughly went over it with the commission.

Chip Woods and Josh Stevenson presented Commissioners with a request to consider the quote for a new Chevy Truck from Longbine Autoplaza. Chip Woods also presented the Commissioners with budget update information. He stated that everything cost wise is going up. He also stated that they are having a hard time employing a full staff. The issue of dogs not being restrained on leashes at the fairgrounds was brought to the Commissioners attention. The commission made a request to the Road and Bridge Department to post signs at the fairgrounds concerning dogs on leashes.

Motion: To Approve the quote from Longbine Autoplaza for a 2024 Silverado 2500 HD 4WD Crew Cab Pickup in the amount of \$56,437.20 to be paid from the Multi Year Fund 017-00-9026. Duft/Peck 3-0

Public comment: no one present.

Break until 10:00 a.m.

Controller Williams presented Commissioners with a request to consider the payment for the insurance broker. This is basically a renewal of a current contract that has an automatic renewal that was approved last year.

Motion: To Approve payment to Brown & Brown Insurance Broker in the amount of \$40,000.00 to be paid quarterly from Fund 010-18-7600. Peck/Martin 3-0

Sean Thurman and Kristi Mohn presented Commissioners with an update on Unbound Gravel. Kristi introduced Sean Thurman as the new event director. He is coming over from medalist sports and has a big back ground on putting on big events. They went over a pilot program concerning the control of traffic on Burlingame Road with the commission. They also went over a summary of the activities that would take place on the week of the event. It was stated that participants are already arriving in the area for this event.

Reports:

Commissioner Martin:

- I attended the Lyon County Extension Board meeting on Monday afternoon.
- I attended a Strategic Planning Session at Kansas State University on Wednesday morning.
- Next Monday afternoon I have a Council on Aging meeting at 1:30 p.m.
- Later today I will be attending an economic development meeting.
- We are scheduling three Wednesdays for possible appropriation requests. These will be held on May 29th, June 5th and June 12th starting at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Peck:

- Last Friday morning I attended the RDA meeting.
- At the first of the week, I met with Cory Haag.
- Yesterday I was at the City of Emporia study session.

Commissioner Duft:

- I attended the fair board meeting.
- I attended the final Citizens Academy last night. They will have a dinner next week to wrap it up.

Deputy Torres:

- No report.

Counselor Priest:

- RDA is Friday.
- The City of Emporia Study session was yesterday.

Controller Williams:

- I attended the fair board meeting.
- I will be attending the economic development meeting this afternoon.
- I will be out tomorrow.

Motion: To move to Legal Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Priest and Controller Williams for confidential data exchange, to return at 10:40 a.m. Martin/Duft 3-0
Meeting reconvened at 10:40 a.m.

Motion: To move to Legal Executive Session with Commissioners, Counselor Priest, Controller Williams and I.T. Director Jean Barnett for exchange of confidential negotiations (security sessions), to return at 11:00 a.m. Martin/Peck 3-0
Meeting reconvened at 11:00 a.m.

Motion: To Adjourn. Martin/Duft 3-0

There being no further business before the Board, the next Action Session will take place on May 23, 2024, in the Commission Chambers at 9:00 a.m.

Attest:

Affirm:

Joe Torres
Lyon County Deputy Clerk

Rollie Martin, Chairman
Lyon County Commission