

LYON COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
OCTOBER 26, 2023

The Board of 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

Doug Peck, Vice Chairman
Tammy Vopat, County Clerk
Dan Williams, County Controller

Others attending the meeting:
Robbie Weiss, Facilities Manager
Chuck Samples, KVOE reporter
Chip Woods, County Engineer
Renee Hively, CareArc
Dennis Applegarth, CareArc

Shayla Gaulding, Gazette reporter
Josh Stevenson, Road & Bridge
Shane Brunner, LCAT
Melissa Smith, CareArc
Kenna Privat, CareArc

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion: To Approve the Minutes of the 10-19-2023 meeting. Duft/Peck 3-0

Motion: To Approve Warrants Payable 10-27-2023 in the amount of \$351,260.86. Peck/Duft 3-0

Motion: To Approve Payroll Payable 10-27-2023 in the amount of \$350,842.96. Martin/Duft 3-0

Motion: To Approve Payroll Withholdings Payable 10-27-2023 in the amount of \$521,435.07.
Martin/Peck 3-0

Appointments: Commissioners discussed the RDA board appointment.

Motion: To Appoint Doug Peck to the RDA Board for a term to expire 12-31-2026. Martin/Duft 3-0

Commissioners discussed a resolution for the student loan repayment program.

Motion: To Adopt Resolution 16-23, a Resolution of the Board of Lyon County Commissioners authorizing participation in rural opportunity zone student loan repayment program calendar year 2024.
Peck/Duft 3-0

Personnel changes: no action taken.

Permits: no action taken.

Robbie Weiss presented Commissioners with a request to consider the fire alarm inspection for the county.

Motion: To Approve the 2023 Tech Electronics Annual Fire Alarm Test & Inspection for the courthouse for a total of \$3,970.00 to be paid from Fund 010-70-7661-10, the Annex in the amount of \$850.00 to be

paid from Fund 010-70-7661-09, the Sheriff's Office/Jail in the amount of \$7,890.00 to be paid from Fund 010-70-7661-17 and the Anderson/Bowyer Buildings in the amount of \$590.00 to be paid from Fund 010-70-7661.12. Duft/Peck 3-0

Chip Woods and Josh Stevenson presented Commissioners with a request to consider sending out request for proposals; galvanized plank; closing the 700 block of Main Street in Americus for the Trunk or Treat event; purchase of a new Caterpillar engine.

Motion: To Approve sending out Request for Proposals for Structural Steel Beams according to the County Engineer's Specifications. Martin/Duft 3-0

Motion: To Approve sending out Request for Proposals for Galvanized Bridge Plank according to the County Engineer's Specification. Martin/Duft 3-0

Motion: To Approve the request from Kim Meyers for closing the 700 Block of Main Street (Road F or Americus Road) from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on October 29, 2023, for the Trunk or Treat Event. Duft/Martin 3-0

Note: The City of Americus will provide the barricades.

Motion: To Approve the purchase of a new engine for D-160, Caterpillar mini-excavator from Foley Industries for approximately \$12,000.00 to be paid from Fund 017-00-9026. Peck/Duft 3-0

Note: Insurance will reimburse this expenditure.

Break until 9:45 a.m.

Public comment: no one present.

Vici Smith presented Commissioners with the final proposal contract for the Lyon County website development.

Motion: To Approve the contract with Civic Plus for the new Lyon County, Kansas website development package CivicEngage for the year one cost of \$29,144.60 plus the additional year one cost for the AudioEye package in the sum of \$3,300.00, for a total of \$32,444.60. from Cares Act Fund 044-00-9001. Martin/Duft 3-0

Shane Brunner presented Commissioners with a request to consider local funding sources and local matching funds for the Lyon County Area Transportation.

Motion: To Approve the Certification of Local Funding Sources for Operating/Administrative Assistance and authorize Shane Brunner's signature authority for grant submission. Martin/Duft 3-0

Motion: To Approve the Local Matching Funds for the Lyon County Area Transportation in the amount of \$296,579.00 to be paid from Fund 010-63/64. Martin/Duft 3-0

Note: This is the for 2025 Fiscal Year.

Reports:

Commissioner Martin:

- Attended the Newman Regional Health Board meeting.
- I plan to attend JEDAC.
- Vici Smith as a member of the Economical Development Committee discussed the engagement with the community and will present the requested needs are in the area.

Commissioner Peck:

- Attended the Newman Regional Health Board meeting.

Commissioner Duft:

- Attended the Admire fund raiser.
- Attended the Newman Regional Health Board meeting.

Clerk Vopat:

- We will offer Saturday voting at the Anderson Building this week on October 28th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Early voting is going very slow.
- October 31st is the deadline to request a mail ballot.
- Waiting on a levy from Greenwood County to proceed with the tax roll.

Counselor Priest:

- Attended the Newman Regional Hospital Board meeting.
- Will attend JEDAC meeting.

Controller Williams:

- Attended the Newman Regional Hospital Board meeting.
- Attended the Road & Bridge improvement project meeting.

Recess until 10:55 a.m.

Renee Hively, Dennis Applegarth, Melissa Smith and Kena Privat presented Commissioners with the CareArc Quarterly Report. Renee Hively reported for Dr. Oyenuga in her absence. There is an uptick in covid cases at the hospital and testing is increasing. Public Health has been very busy with the back to school physical night, the Spanish Health Fair and the KDHE MCH site visit.

Motion: To Adjourn.

Martin/Duft 3-0

There being no further business before the Board, the next Action Session will take place on November 2, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Chambers.

Attest:

Affirm:

Tammy Vopat
Lyon County Master Clerk

Rollie Martin, Chairman
Lyon County Commission