JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS AND MINUTES

OF THE CHASE COUNTY, KANSAS

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

March 28, 2024

March 28, 2024 at 9:00 am; Anthony Hazelton-Chairman, Matt Miller-Vice Chairman, Alan Phipps-member and Connie Pretzer-County Clerk assembled in the Chase County Commission Chambers. Hazelton opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also, present was Sheriff Jacob Welsh.

***Motion to approve 03/28/2024 warrants*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Miller. Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to approve 02/25/24 to 03/24/24 payroll*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Phipps. Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to approve 03/22/2024 minutes*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Phipps. Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to sign LSSE monthly report*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Miller. Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to approve wage adjustments for classes attended by the Road & Bridge Department*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Phipps. Motion carried 3-0.

Sheriff Welsh recapped the department head meeting held February 21st resulted in reviewing the County’s sick leave policy of paying out 33 1/3 of hours accrued over the maximum of 480 hours. Several department heads would recommend a 100% payout for hours in excess of 480 and a 100% payout of all hours at retirement. Commissioners tabled a decision to a later date.

Sheriff Welsh’s detention facility report included the findings of the most recent inspection. There were 5 findings that have since been corrected. Welsh praised the staff. Welsh reported of a 3-hour meeting with Commissioner Miller and BNSF representatives regarding the Norton and T roads crossing. The group also talked to residents. Welsh reported the Dodge Durango for the Sheriff’s office will be in in the next few weeks but was unsure of what fund it should be paid from. ***Motion for $40,500 to be paid from County equipment reserve (fund 084)*** by Miller was 2nd by Phipps. Motion carried 3-0.

EMS Director Scott Harris reported the ambulance that was ordered in October of 2022 has not yet begun to be built. The two ambulances currently in use have had maintenance issues lately including having to be towed.

Director of Public Health Jamie Johnson reported that the community baby shower held at Council Grove was well attended by both counties. Johnson also told the BOC of an upcoming health needs assessment will begin in August with a county survey. ***Motion at 10:01 for 5 minutes of executive session for non-elected personnel with Johnson and Clerk*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Phipps. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting resumed at 10:06

The meeting adjourned at 10:28 on a motion from Hazelton, 2nd by Miller. Motion carried 3-0. Next scheduled meeting is Monday, April 15th at 9:00 am.

ADOPTION OF ABOVE MINUTES

STATE OF KANSAS

COUNTY OF CHASE

NOW ON This 15th day of April, 2024 as shown in the Minutes of this date's meeting, the above Minutes are hereby ADOPTED as the official record of the proceedings, business and actions of the Board of Chase County Commissioners during the session above described.

BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Anthony Hazelton, Chairman SEAL

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Matt Miller, Vice Chairman

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Alan Phipps, Member

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Connie M. Pretzer, County Clerk