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OF THE CHASE COUNTY, KANSAS

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

December 31, 2020

December 31, 2020 at 10:00 am; Anthony Hazelton-Chairman, Bill Fillmore-Vice Chairman, Randy Talkington-member and Connie Pretzer-County Clerk assembled in the Chase County Courtroom. Also present was Commissioner-elect Matt Miller. Hazelton opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

***Motion to approve 12/31/2020 Warrants*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Talkington. Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to approve 11/25/20 to 12/24/20 Payroll*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Talkington***.*** Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to approve Minutes of December 14, 2020*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Talkington***.***  Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to approve 2020-17 Transfer of Funds*** $325,000(060 Road & Bridge to 063 Road Machinery and Bridge Building)by Hazelton was 2nd by Talkington. Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to approve Change Orders 2020-51 through 2020-54*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Talkington. Motion carried 3-0.

Clerk reported that the current Families First Coronavirus Response Act would expire on December 31st. 80 hours was given for COVID pay under the act. Reportedly, the new act will make COVID pay optional. Under guidance by the County Attorney, Commissioners will defer making a decision until more information is gathered from the US Department of Labor.

Commissioners reviewed the insured building list provided by Kirk Engle of Scribner Insurance. It was noted that a building was listed which received storm damage and was no longer standing. Thom Kirk Road & Bridge supervisor entered the meeting. Kirk explained that the building, a structure that housed ice and snow removal chemicals, was being considered for replacement with a more permanent structure. Kirk will solicit bids and report back to the BOC.

Commissioners and Kirk discussed snow and ice removal around the Courthouse. Kirk will have Road and Bridge employees continue to do this as long as necessary. Kirk also reported that he had looked at a used 2004 Mac Semi with 200,000 miles on the odometer. After discussion Hazelton ***made the motion to purchase the 2004 CV713 semi for $35,900.*** Talkington 2nd and the motion carried 3-0.

County Attorney Bill Halvorsen presented the Board with a petition to vacate a County Right of Way. The roads known as 137 and 175 located at the northwest corner of Section 29, Township 19, Range 7e has never been a formal road. The ‘lane’ has been fenced on both sides and due to non-use and no maintenance has become overgrown and unusable. Commissioners determined the petition was lawful and appointed themselves as viewers. Clerk will publish “notice of possible road vacation” twice in the Chase County Leader News. ***Motion by Hazelton; 2nd by Talkington to accept a lawful petition for the Vacation of Roads 137 and 175 and to publish Notice of possible road vacation for 2 consecutive weeks in the Chase County Leader News.*** Motion carried 3-0.

Scott Wiltse reported to the BOC that the SPARKS funds had spent down to a zero balance.

Detention Facility Administrator Larry Sigler briefly met with the Board to report that he currently has 2 employees on COVID leave. No detainees have had positive tests this week. Sigler also reported that he is exploring housing inmates from the Department of Corrections along with the ICE detainees.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 on a motion by Hazelton; 2nd by Talkington. Motion carried 3-0.

Next scheduled meeting is January 11th at 10:00 am.

 ADOPTION OF ABOVE MINUTES

 STATE OF KANSAS

 COUNTY OF CHASE

NOW ON This 11th day of January, 2021 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

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 William Fillmore, Vice Chairman

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Randy Talkington, Member

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

 Connie M. Pretzer, County Clerk