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OF THE CHASE COUNTY, KANSAS

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

April 28, 2023

April 28, 2023, at 9:00 am; Anthony Hazelton-Chairman, Matt Miller-Vice chair, Alan Phipps-member, Connie Pretzer-County Clerk assembled in the Chase County Commission Chambers. Hazelton opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present was Shayla Gaulding-Chase County Leader News.

County Sheriff Jacob Welsh gave a quick report of storm damage received in the County from the April 19th tornadic weather. 8 confirmed tornados were reported and clean-up efforts continue. Welsh will be meeting with the storm siren company to look at upgrading the existing sirens.

Welsh informed the BOC that Colton Carpenter had completed the academy and will be graduating today. Commissioners congratulated Carpenter.

Clerk reported to Welsh that a Matfield Green patron had requested the speed trailer be placed westbound on Bocook Street. Welsh will get this on the schedule with R&B.

***Motion to approve 04/28/2023 Warrants*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Miller. Motion carried 3-0.

***Motion to approve 03/25/2023—4/24/2023 payroll*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Miller. Motion carried 3-0

***Motion to approve 4/10/2023 Minutes*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Phipps***.*** Motion carried 2-0. Commissioner Miller abstained due to absence.

***Motion to approve 4/19/2023 Minutes*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Phipps***.*** Motion carried 3-0.

County attorney William Halvorsen met with the Board to explain an error with Resolution 2021-10 permitting the sale of liquor by the drink. The liquor by the drink question was placed on the ballot in 2021 and passed by an overwhelming margin. However, the State of Kansas Department of Revenue has determined that the question should have been placed on the 2022 General election ballot. To correct this, a new resolution will have to be passed by the Commissioners and the question placed on the 2024 General election ballot. ***Motion to approve Resolution 2023-07 permitting liquor by the drink*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Miller. Motion carried 3-0. Halvorsen clarified that by passing this resolution today, it does not expire and the question can be placed on the 2024 General election ballot.

County EMS Director Scott Harris appeared before the Board to ask for executive session. ***Motion at 9:25 for 10 minutes of executive session for non-elected personnel with Harris and Pretzer*** by Hazelton was 2nd by Miller. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting resumed at 9:35 with no action taken.

Commissioners reviewed a quote for the Courthouse chiller for $72,826 from Modern Air. Commissioner Miller will get more information from Modern Air before a decision is made.

Detention Facility superintendent Larry Sigler informed the Commissioners that he had purchased a used 2021 Chrysler Pacifica from Bolton in Council Grove to replace the 2000 Pacifica. ***Motion to transfer use of the older Pacifica to the Senior Center*** by Miller was 2nd by Phipps. Motion carried 3-0.

County Fire Chief Steve Fillmore reported the newly purchased rescue vehicle was at Schroer’s for repairs. The vehicle purchased replaces the old rescue vehicle which will be placed on Purple Wave. ***Motion to pay $35,000 for the 2003 F-5-50 rescue truck from County Equipment fund (084)*** by Miller was 2nd by Hazelton. Motion carried 3-0.

Road & Bridge superintendent Thom Kirk introduced Dave Williams of Master Tech. Kirk would like to begin a rotation plan for the County’s aging fleet of Dump Trucks. The quote for the 2024 budget year submitted by Master Tech would be $278,309.00 to purchase the 1st truck which would be placed on a 5-year rotation and then repurposed in the R&B fleet. The flexible plan can be committed to at this time for the 2024 budget year and backed out of if the budget falls short. Commissioners agreed to commit to one truck. Williams will present a contract for approval at the May 15th BOC meeting.

***Motion at 10:59 for 5 minutes of executive session for preliminary discussions for acquisition of real property with Kirk and Pretzer*** by Miller was 2nd by Phipps. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting resumed at 11:04 with no action taken.

***Motion at 11:15 for 10 minutes of executive session for confidential data relating to financial affairs with Kirk and Pretzer*** by Miller was 2nd by Hazelton. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting resumed at 11:25 with no action taken.

***Motion at 11:25 for 7 minutes of executive session for non-elected personnel*** by Hazelton was 2nd my Miller. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting resumed at 11:32 with no action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 11:32 on a ***motion from Hazelton 2nd by Phipps***. Motion carried 3-0. Next scheduled meeting is Thursday, May 11th @ 7:00 pm at the Saffordville Schoolhouse.

ADOPTION OF ABOVE MINUTES

STATE OF KANSAS

COUNTY OF CHASE

NOW ON This 15th day of May, 2023 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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Matt Miller, Vice Chairman

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Alan Phipps, Member

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

Connie M. Pretzer, County Clerk