

May 25, 2022

BOARD OF FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Location: Franklin County Annex Building Commission Chambers

Chair Dunn called the meeting to order at 8:30a.m.

Roll call: Chair Roy C. Dunn present, Vice Chair Ianne Dickinson present, Commissioner Donald Stottlemire present, Commissioner Rod Harris present, Commissioner Colton Waymire present.

Chair Dunn asked all in attendance to stand and join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation was led by Pastor Leonard Cheasbro, New Life in Christ Church, Ottawa

No Public Comment.

Commissioner Dickinson moved and Commissioner Waymire seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: minutes from the meeting on May 18, 2022. All voted "yes".

Derek Brown, County Administrator, discussed the ongoing viability of the Franklin County Juvenile Detention Facility. He outlined the information that will be provided and the individuals that were present at the meeting to answer questions and provide information.

Brandon Jones, Franklin County Attorney, was present to discuss changes to the Juvenile detention laws and how these changes negatively impacted the number of juveniles in the juvenile detention facility. He discussed the number of juveniles trending down since 2016 and the inability to house CINC cases and truant students.

Ken Haliburton, Juvenile Detention Director, and Janet Paddock, County Clerk, discussed the annual budgets for the last five years and cost projections based on the existing budgets and possible farm-out costs. Historical statistics for the juvenile detention center were provided to show projections. Additional information was provided like fuel costs to transport kids and continued costs for the debt repayment on the facility.

Dr. Ryan Cobbs, USD 290 Superintendent, was present to discuss the day school program and their partnership with the Juvenile Detention Facility. The district provides a teacher to facilitate learning for the kids in the facility. He said that they could accommodate these students in their existing facilities.

Ken Haliburton, Juvenile Detention Director, discussed the outreach programs that happen at the JDC. He discussed how Child in need of care cases are handled at the facility and how truancy court is handled.

Chair Dunn recessed the Commission for a 10-minute break at 10:06a.m.

The Commission reconvened at 10:16a.m.

The Juvenile Detention discussion continued with Kiel Lasswell, Under Sheriff. He discussed using the existing facility for adult detention. With the staffing that would be needed to run the facility, \$1M-\$1.1M would be needed to fund these services. Up to 28 inmates could be housed at the facility but some renovations would be needed for the safety and security of the adult inmates.

Dustin Browning, Community Corrections Director, proposed changes to the Community Corrections Juvenile Supervision program that would allow the department to add a Juvenile Assistant Director and an additional juvenile support staff. He proposed waiving the rent in the Annex Building to allow Community Corrections some additional room in the budget after absorbing these two positions.

Ken Haliburton, Juvenile Detention Director, discussed other Juvenile Detention Centers in the area. The Leavenworth Center was closed down recently and Douglas County had discussed closing until they decided that the Day School Program was important enough to keep the facility open. The current staff at the Franklin County Juvenile Detention Center could be absorbed by other county departments if they wanted to stay with Franklin County.

The Commissioners said they had enough information to make a decision at the meeting on Wednesday, June 1, 2022.

W. David Lee, Public Works Director, discussed the Douglas County Salt bids that were received in the combined bids with seven entities. The low bidder on the Franklin County bid was Hutchinson Salt Co. Their bid for 1500 tons was \$54.00 per ton or \$81,000. The low bid last year was \$52.61 per ton.

Commissioner Harris moved and Commissioner Waymire seconded to approve awarding the salt bid to Hutchinson Salt Co. in the amount of \$81,000.00. All voted "yes".

W. David Lee, Public Works Director, discussed repairs that are needed to a 2015 Peterbilt End Dump. Two of the six injectors must be replaced and the remaining four injectors are weak with limited remaining life. Staff recommends replacing all six injectors now while the truck is in the shop. This truck is scheduled to be replaced in 2026 at a cost of over \$200,000.

Commissioner Stottlemire moved and Commissioner Waymire seconded to authorize Kansas City Peterbilt, Inc. to complete repairs to a 2015 Peterbilt 348 (Truck #5031) in the amount of \$19,257.80. All voted "yes".

Derek Brown, County Administrator, discussed adding a new position of Executive Coordinator to the Franklin County Pay Plan. This position would assist the County Administrator, provide support to the Human Resources team, assist with Tourism duties, and assist Paul Bean with FCDC as needed. The position would look similar to the current Administrative Coordinator that it would be replacing but would have additional duties, and staff recommends placing the position at a Grade 20 in the pay plan.

Commissioner Waymire moved and Commissioner Dickinson seconded to authorize the addition of the Executive Coordinator position to Grade 20 of the Franklin County Pay Plan. All voted "yes".

Staff reports were given by Jeff Richards, Sheriff; W. David Lee, Public Works Director; and Janet Paddock, County Clerk.

Chair Dunn adjourned the meeting at 11:22a.m.

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