June 10, 2020

BOARD OF FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Location: Franklin County Annex Building Commission Chambers

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

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

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

Invocation was led by Sheriff Jeff Richards.

Public Comment:
Terry Barnes, 3159 Nebraska Road, Ottawa- discussed a portion of Neosho Road that is minimum maintenance. A portion is gated and locked and he wants to know why he is denied access.

James Wallace, 2447 Nebraska Road, Ottawa- discussed the number of Study Sessions that were cancelled during the months that the meetings were conducted via Zoom. He was concerned about the mower at the annex blowing grass on cars. Finally, he discussed that the boom mower does a terrible job.

Joe Ferguson, 3335 Rock Creek Road, Ottawa- discussed that all the county employees’ work for the taxpayers. He also discussed that the county ditches are in bad shape and need cleaned out.

Brian Webster, 1108 Osborne Road, Pomona- asked the Commissioners if they received a copy of the contract that he asked the County Clerk to send.

Commissioner Howard moved and Commissioner Dickinson seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: minutes from the meeting on June 3, 2020 and a tax change order in the amount of -$199.09. All voted “yes”.

W. David Lee, Public works Director, discussed the bids that were received for the Iowa Terrace Bridge Project. The low bid was from L Underwood LLC in the amount of $87,967.88. The project will replace a 10’X14’ squash pipe with two 120’X100’ corrugated steel pipes. The engineers estimate was $199,759.00.

Commissioner Dunn moved and Commissioner Howard seconded to award the Iowa Terrace Bridge Project to L Underwood LLC in the amount of $87,967.88. All voted “yes”.

Brandon Sands, Maintenance Director, discussed a proposal for architectural services on the Annex remodel project. In order to move forward with the project, MEP (Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing) drawings are needed. Falk Architects out of Topeka have given us a proposal in the amount of $12,000 to finish the drawings and assist with the bid process.

Commissioner Stottlemire moved and Commissioner Dunn seconded to accept the proposal from Falk Architects in the amount of $12,000 for the Annex remodel project. All voted “yes”.

Nick Robbins, Interim Health Director, discussed adding the licensed practical nurse (LPN) position to the county pay plan. The Health Department needs to hire two part-time LPNs to assist with the increased vaccines before school starts and to fill in other areas during the COVID-19 response. The LPN position must be put in the pay plan prior to hiring someone. It is recommended that the position be a grade 22.

Commissioner Howard moved and Commissioner Dunn seconded to approve adding Licensed Practical Nurse to the Franklin County Pay Plan in Grade 22. All voted “yes”.
Staff reports were given by Derek Brown, County Administrator; Nick Robbins, COVID-19 Incident Commander and EMS Chief; Jeff Richards, Sheriff; Paul Bean, FCDC Director; Janet Paddock, County Clerk and W. David Lee, Works Director.

Commissioner Howard moved and Commissioner Dunn seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:05am. All voted "yes".

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Clerk                                                                                           Chair