

THE BOARD OF NESS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
September 5, 2023

The Ness County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Ness County Commissioner Chambers. Chairman Travis Petersilie called the meeting to order with Commissioners Mark Davis, Dave Albers, and County Clerk Lori Hertel in attendance.

Minutes and Correspondence

Minutes of Regular meeting held August 28, 2023, were approved as presented. Correspondence was reviewed and acknowledged. Commissioner Albers reported on meeting held concerning preconstruction of AWOS (Automated Weather Observation System) for Ness City Municipal Airport.

Road and Bridge

Ness County Road and Bridge/Landfill Supervisor Ron Johnson presented the weekly work schedule. Landfill tipping fees of \$380.00 was collected August 22nd thru August 26th. 1,025 yards of dirt, 140 yards of sand and 675 yards of rock were hauled. Road concerns and equipment repairs was discussed. New loader was delivered.

Emergency Management

Ness County Emergency Manager Travis Rothe discussed completion of his continuing education. Rothe discussed dry conditions with County-wide Fire Chiefs.

Noxious Weed

Rothe reported for Noxious Weed Supervisor Phil Armstrong that the spray truck is in need of tires. Road & Bridge will be contacted for possible available tires.

Loyd Group, LLC

Scot Loyd of Loyd Group, LLC spoke with Commission concerning ARPA funds and reporting deadlines.

Ness County Sheriff

Ness County Sheriff Brandon Mitchell and Patrick Zippittelli discussed wages, benefits and employee retention.

Motion: Upon the motion of Petersilie, seconded by Albers, Commission unanimously voted to recess into executive session for nonelected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for a period of 10 minutes beginning at 11:56 a.m. (Davis, Albers, Petersilie, Mitchell and Hertel in executive session). Regular session resumed at 12:06 a.m. No action taken.

County Attorney

Ness County Attorney Jacob Gayer reviewed accounts payable. Renewal contract for Landfill was discussed.

Motion: Upon the motion of Petersilie, seconded by Albers, Commission unanimously voted to recess into executive session for nonelected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for a period of 5 minutes beginning at 3:20 p.m. (Davis, Albers, Petersilie, Mitchell and Hertel in executive session). Regular session resumed at 3:25 p.m. No action taken.

Commission

Phone conference to Aaron Koehn, CPA to discuss budgeting.

Accounts Payable

Accounts payable for August 31, 2023, was reviewed and approved by Commission. Daily Statements from August 16, 2023, thru August 31st was reviewed and approved.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Attest:

Travis Petersilie, Chairman

Lori Hertel, Ness County Clerk

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