

THE BOARD OF NESS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
July 1, 2024

The Ness County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, July 1, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Ness County Commissioner Chambers. Chairman Mark Davis called the meeting to order with Commissioner Dave Albers, Travis Petersilie and County Clerk Lori Hertel in attendance.

Custodian

Custodian Tina Harrison and Commission discussed maintenance, groundskeeping, and irrigation installation issues were addressed.

Minutes

Minutes of the Regular meeting held June 24, 2024, were approved as corrected. Correspondence was reviewed and acknowledged.

Road and Bridge

Ness County Road and Bridge/Landfill Supervisor Ron Johnson presented Landfill tipping fees for June 18th thru June 22nd, amount of \$285.00. 195 yards of rock was hauled. Johnson submitted an employee resignation letter from Kenny Linenberger.

Motion: Upon the motion of Petersilie, seconded by Albers, Commission voted unanimously to accept resignation from Kenny Linenberger effective June 25, 2024.

Road concerns were reviewed and discussed. Equipment repairs and maintenance were 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 10:12 a.m. (Davis, Albers, Petersilie, and Hertel in executive session). Regular session resumed at 10:17 a.m. No action taken.

Commission asked Johnson for a "no trucks" sign for the new circular driveway. Tire bids were submitted from: Bazine Cooperative Grain and Supply-K&M Tire & ATD Tire (See bid list prices on file), Kansasland Tire & Service- (see bid list prices on file).

Motion: Upon the motion of Petersilie, seconded by Davis, Commission voted unanimously to purchase from Bazine Cooperative Grain & Supply: Hercules loader tires 23.5 R25 @ \$2,146.66 x 2,

Hercules loader tires 20.5 R25 @ \$1,552.21 x 2, & Firestone grader tires 14 R24 @\$732.21 x 12.

Motion: Upon the motion of Petersilie, seconded by Albers, Commission voted unanimously to accept the bid from Kansasland Tire & Service for Alliance 324 tractor tire 18.4-38 @ \$800.00 x 3, and heavy-duty tubes @ \$110.00 x 3. A list of all bids is available for viewing in the County Clerk's Office.

Ness County EMS

Ness County EMS Director Kathy Clouston updated Commission on May financials, July EMT schedule, and a possible grant opportunity by Kansas Department of Commerce. Commissioners designated Clouston as the Grant "Champion" for this proposed project.

Daily Statement

Daily Statements from June 17th thru 31st was reviewed and approved.

Attorney

Ness County Attorney Jacob Gayer and Commission discussed legal counsel. Accounts Payable vouchers were reviewed and approved.

Accounts Payable

Accounts payable for June 28, 2024, were reviewed and approved by Commission.

Ray Witthuhn

Commission asked Witthuhn to explain lease or loan options and interest rates available to the County for budgeting purposes.

Commission

Motion: Upon the motion of Petersilie, seconded by Albers, Commission voted unanimously to approve 8 hours vacation pay in lieu of employee Christmas meal, to be applied in January to active employees as of December 31, 2024.

The meeting adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

Attest:



Mark Davis, Chairman



Lori Hertel, Ness County Clerk

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