



Atchison County Commission Meeting

Atchison County Courthouse
423 North 5th St
Atchison, Kansas 66002
March 2, 2021

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Start Time 2:30 pm

Chairman Jack Bower, 1st District

Commissioner Eric Noll, 2nd District

Commissioner Casey Quinn, 3rd District

1. 2:30 P.M. ZOOM MEETING ID # 952 9112 9271
2. Call To Order
The County Commission is called to order by the Chairman
3. Pledge Of Allegiance
4. Public Comment
5. Reading And Approval Of Minutes
Approval of Minutes from Last commission meeting
- 5.1. Approved 03/02/2021 Atchison County Commission Meeting Minutes
Documents:
[03-02-2021.PDF](#)
6. Commissioner Comments And Committee Reports
7. Reports Of Elected Officials And Department Heads
8. New Business Before The Board
- 8.1. KCAMP Letter To County Commissioners
9. Old Or Unfinished Business Before The Board
10. County Counselor Updates
11. Executive Sessions (Time Reserved For Executive Sessions)
- 11.1. Jack Laurie, County Sheriff
Non-Elected Personnel Executive Session
12. Presentation And Approval Of Claims

13. Presentation Of Petitions, Memorials, And Remonstrances
14. Introduction And Consideration Of Resolutions
15. Notices And Communications
16. Public Comment
17. Adjournment
18. Zoom Details

Atchison County will be limiting public access to all Atchison County departments and offices to take preventative measures designed to reduce the spread of the Coronavirus illness. We are making arrangements to adjust services to be in the best interest of the employees and citizens of Atchison County and following the interim guidance as provided by KDHE and the CDC. The Atchison County Board of County Commission meetings will be utilizing Zoom to meet the Kansas Open Meetings Act. Members of the public can connect to the meetings via smart phone, or computer connections. The meeting ID number will be listed on the corresponding agenda. Members of the public can attend the BOCC meeting in-person; however, we urge and encourage all citizens to take active steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19. If you have any symptoms similar to the flu, including fever, cough or shortness of breath, please do not attend until symptoms have subsided and you have been fever-free for 24 hours.

Tuesday, March 2, 2021

Pursuant to law, the Atchison County Commission Board met in Regular Session at 2:30 pm. Each of the Commissioners appeared by video conferencing using the Zoom platform. A link to the meeting was made available to the public prior to the meeting. In addition, public attendance was available in the Commission meeting room on the 1st floor of the courthouse, 423 N 5th St., Atchison. Chairman Jack Bower called the meeting to order with Commissioner Eric Noll, Commissioner Casey Quinn, and County Counselor Patrick Henderson present for the meeting. County Clerk Michelle Phillips recorded the minutes. All participants attended via Zoom due to the EMERGENCY ORDER OF THE LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER 2020-15 prohibiting mass gatherings.

Commissioner Noll recited the pledge of allegiance to start the meeting.

***Public Comment:**

There were no public comments.

Minutes of the February 23, 2021 meeting were reviewed with no corrections noted. Commissioner Quinn made the motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote. The motion passed 3-0.

***Commissioner Comments and Committee Reports:**

Commissioner Noll mentioned that he had attended a NEK Multi-County Health meeting Monday, March 1, 2021. He mentioned that the Johnson & Johnson vaccine was approved, and that extra doses of vaccines were being distributed.

Commissioner Quinn went over a listing of things she has worked on since the last meeting.

Chairman Bower mentioned that all three of the Commissioners had an opportunity to see Governor Kelly, as she was in the area to visit the shot of hope vaccination clinic. During the visit Governor Kelly seemed to be optimistic about getting more vaccines out so we could get more people protected.

Chairman Bower shared a statement with some of his thought and concerns regarding the past year with COVID-19 and how the community has been affected.

***New Business Before the Board:**

Michelle Phillips, County Clerk, presented the Board with a letter from Kansas County Association Multi-Line Pool, in regards to the continuation of the building appraisals. This was for informational purposes only.

***Executive Session:**

Commissioner Quinn moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into executive session at 2:39 pm to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, as allowed by K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (1). The executive session will be conducted in a “Breakout Room” using the Zoom Platform. The Board will come out of the executive session at 3:09 pm, via the Zoom meeting in process. Those present will be: the three Commissioners, County Counselor Patrick Henderson, Jamie Madison, HR Director, and Jack Laurie, County Sheriff. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Commissioner Quinn amended her motion that the Board of County Commissioners recess into executive session at 2:40 pm to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, as allowed by K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (1). The executive session will be conducted in a “Breakout Room” using the Zoom Platform. The Board will come out of the executive session at 3:25 pm, via the Zoom meeting in process. Those present will be: the three Commissioners, County Counselor Patrick Henderson, and Jack Laurie, County Sheriff. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0. There was no action taken.

***Public Comment:**

Mike Kuckelman appeared via the Zoom platform with additional concerns of the Atchison County Social Media Policy. His worries were with an additional County entity deleting comments on social media. Mr. Kuckelman wants transparency with the County Commissioners and all social media being monitored by County personnel. Mr. Kuckelman also raised concerns of someone in the County possibly using an alias on Facebook. All of the Commissioners were in agreeance that the matters needed to be looked at and corrected.

***County Counselor Updates:**

County Counselor Patrick Henderson, mentioned to the Board that there was a court hearing on the tax sale last Monday, February 22, 2021, at which the court granted judgment. There are roughly 50 tracks that will be remaining in the sale. Counselor Henderson stated that there are issues on 2 properties that he is working on getting resolved. The Notice of Sale for a Tax Sale must be published for 3 consecutive weeks, with the sale date at least 30 days after the first publication. The earliest date for the sale would be the first week of April.

Add, abate, escapes for real estate and personal property taxes were presented to be approved.

Commissioner Noll made the motion to adjourn at 3:40 pm. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

*Note: Once approved these minutes will be the official minutes of the Board of County Commissioners. Regular meetings of the Board of County Commissioners

are video-recorded. The video of these meeting is generally available for supplementation of the minutes. The videos can be located under the Government tab at www.atchisoncountyks.org.

Attest: Michelle Phillips, County Clerk