



Atchison County Commission Meeting

Atchison County Courthouse
423 North 5th St
Atchison, Kansas 66002
April 11, 2023
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Chairwoman Casey Quinn, 3rd District.

Commissioner Allen Reavis, 1st District.

Commissioner Eric Noll, 2nd District.

1. ZOOM MEETING ID # 893 0941 4807
2. 9:00 A.M. Department Head Workshop
9:00 am to 10:00 am - Discussion with Department Heads.

*There will be no Zoom available during this time. The Zoom link will start at 10:00am.
3. Call To Order
The County Commission is called to order by the Chairman
4. Pledge Of Allegiance
5. Public Comment
6. Additions To Agenda
Items of discussion added by Commissioners.
7. Reading And Approval Of Minutes
Approval of Minutes from Last commission meeting
- 7.1. Approved 04/11/2023 Atchison County Commission Meeting Minutes
Documents:

[4-11-2023.PDF](#)
8. Commissioner Comments And Committee Reports
9. Reports Of Elected Officials And Department Heads
10. Presentation And Approval Of Claims
11. New Business Before The Board

- 11.1. 10:00 AM Amberwell Atchison
Grant Discussion
- 11.2. 10:15 AM Joe Snyder, Road & Bridge Superintendent
Noxious Weed purchase order and letter approval
- 11.3. 10:25 AM Joe Snyder, Road & Bridge Superintendent
Culverts purchase order approval
- 11.4. 10:30 AM Joe Snyder, Road & Bridge Superintendent
Dump Truck discussion
- 11.5. Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall Board Of Trustees Appointment
- 11.6. Walnut Township Board Treasurer Appointment
- 11.7. Benedictine College Bond Discussion
- 11.8. Central School Apartments Bond Discussion
- 11.9. Contract For Abstracting With O'Keefe Wilson
12. Old Or Unfinished Business Before The Board
13. County Counselor Updates
14. Executive Sessions (Time Reserved For Executive Sessions)
15. Public Comment
16. Adjournment

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Pursuant to the law, the Atchison County Commission Board met in Regular Session at 10:00 AM at the Atchison County Emergency Operations Center, 10443 US Hwy 59, Atchison, KS. A link to the meeting was made available to the public prior to the meeting. In addition, public attendance was available for the Commission meeting at the Atchison County Emergency Operations Center at 10443 US Hwy 59, Atchison, KS. Chairwoman Casey Quinn called the meeting to order with Commissioner Eric Noll, Commissioner Allen Reavis, and County Counselor Patrick Henderson present for the meeting. Kalee M. Vanderweide, Deputy County Election Officer recorded the minutes.

The Board recited the pledge of allegiance to start the meeting.

***Public Comment:**

There were no public comments.

***Reading and Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes from the April 4, 2023, meeting were tabled until next week.

***Commissioner Comments and Committee Reports:**

Commissioner Noll stated the Board had a meeting with the Townships on Monday, April 10, 2023.

Commissioner Reavis stated that all who presented at the meeting with the Townships on Monday, April 10, 2023, did well.

Commissioner Reavis stated he had a Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board meeting last week. There are some issues within the judicial district that need to be addressed.

Chairwoman Quinn thanked Staci Waggle, Solid Waste Manager; Cathy Crockett, Interim Community Corrections Director; and Chuck Tilton, Community Corrections Support Specialist, for the joint effort in picking up trash on 286th Road.

***New Business Before the Board:**

Chase Dudzinski, Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of Amberwell Health, appeared before the Board regarding a request that the County partner with Amberwell on a Rural Hospital Innovation Grant (RHIG) grant application for the hospital. The grant is administered by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) through the State Office of Primary Care and Rural Health (SOPC/RH). This grant application will need one signature on the application from a commissioner. Commissioner Reavis made a motion to allow the Chairwoman to sign the application. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Ben Taylor, Noxious Weed Director, presented a purchase order to Nutrien Solutions for the second half of chemicals, in the amount of \$21,615.40. Commissioner Noll made a motion to approve the purchase order to Nutrien Solutions, in the amount of \$21,615.40. Commissioner Reavis seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Director Taylor presented a proposed Atchison County Noxious Weed Chemical Sale Policy. Under the policy, the Noxious Weed Director must verify large infestations before selling chemicals. Commissioner Reavis made a motion to approve the Atchison County Noxious Weed Chemical Sale Policy. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Joe Snyder, Road & Bridge Superintendent, presented a purchase order to Contech for Corrugate Metal Pipe for culverts, in the amount of \$8,864.40. Commissioner Noll made a motion to approve the purchase order to Contech, in the amount of \$8,864.40. Commissioner Reavis seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Superintendent Snyder presented a quote from Consolidated Rural Water District #5 to move the water line on 310th Road to facilitate the County's erosion mitigation project related to Bridge 310, at a cost to not exceed \$19,801.00. Commissioner Noll made a motion to approve the quote from Consolidated Rural Water District #5, to not exceed \$19,801.00. Commissioner Reavis seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Superintendent Snyder presented a quote from Master Tech on a 2018 Kenworth Dump Truck, in the amount of \$240,418.00. Superintendent Snyder would like to use \$20,000.00 out of Special Machinery as a down payment and to use the rest for lease purchase. Commissioner Reavis made a motion to approve Superintendent Snyder moving forward with the lease purchase of the 2018 Kenworth Dump Truck. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Noll made a motion to reappoint Terry McKinney to the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall Board of Trustees. The appointment is for a three-year term ending in January 2026. Commissioner Reavis seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Noll made a motion to appoint Duane Boldridge as the Walnut Township Treasurer. The vacancy was caused by the resignation of Lisa Hill. Under K.S.A. 25-1606, the vacancy is filled by appointment by the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Reavis seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Chairwoman Quinn presented a purchase order to O’Keefe Wilson Abstracting Co., Inc. for abstracting for the tax sale with an estimated 80 parcels, in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. Commissioner Reavis made a motion to approve the purchase order to O’Keefe Wilson Abstracting, in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Chairwoman Quinn presented a Contract with O’Keefe-Wilson Abstracting Co., Inc. for Abstracting Service in Anticipation of Judicial Tax Sale Proceedings. Commissioner Reavis made a motion to allow the Chairwoman to sign the contract. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Chairwoman Quinn presented a purchase order on behalf of the Treasurer’s office for remodeling supplies, in the amount of \$33,385.40 to come out of the Capital Improvements 154 budget. Commissioner Reavis made a motion to approve the purchase order in the amount of \$33,385.40. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Chairwoman Quinn presented a purchase order on behalf of Joint Communications to Midwest Mobile Radio for the 2023 Budgeted Yearly maintenance on all Atchison County Radios, in the amount of \$16,560.00. Commissioner Noll made a motion to approve the purchase order to Midwest Mobile Radio, in the amount of \$16,560.00. Commissioner Reavis seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Chairwoman Quinn presented a purchase order on behalf of Joint Communications to Kansas Department of Transportation for the 2023 Budgeted Annual T-1 Line Usage, in the amount of \$6,600.00. Commissioner Noll made a motion to approve the purchase order to Kansas Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$6,600.00. Commissioner Reavis seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Scott Crist, UMB Bank; Stan Sluder, Benedictine College; and Kristie Scholz, Benedictine College; appeared before the Board to talk about a planned upcoming bond issue to increase housing to not exceed \$4 million.

Justin Pregont, Central School Apartments, LLC, appeared before the Board to discuss Taxable Multi-Family Housing Revenue Bonds Series 2023.

Chairwoman Quinn declared that a quorum was present. There was presented a Resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ATCHISON COUNTY, KANSAS TO ISSUE ITS TAXABLE MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 (CENTRAL SCHOOL APARTMENTS PROJECT) FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION,

RENOVATION AND EQUIPPING A COMMERCIAL FACILITY; AND AUTHORIZING OTHER RELATED DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS.

Commissioner Reavis moved that the Resolution be adopted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Noll. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0. Chairwoman Quinn declared the Resolution duly adopted and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2023-1521 and was signed by the Commissioners and attested by the County Clerk.

Chairwoman Quinn presented a purchase order, on behalf of Human Resources to Nebraska Furniture Mart for office furniture, in the amount to not exceed \$9,000.00. ARPA funds will be used for this purchase. Commissioner Reavis made a motion to approve the purchase order to Nebraska Furniture Mart, not to exceed \$9,000.00. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

***Executive Sessions:**

Commissioner Noll moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into executive session at 11:33 am for consultation with an attorney for the public body which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, as allowed by K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (2), and that the purpose of the closed session is to protect confidentiality of the discussion, and that the Board come out of the executive session at 12:03 pm, in the Emergency Operations Center, 10443 US Hwy 59. Those present will be: the three commissioners, County Counselor Patrick Henderson and Interim Administrator for Atchison Senior Village David Mercier. Commissioner Reavis seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0. Commissioner Reavis made a motion to approve a purchase order for two bariatric beds for Atchison Senior Village, in the amount of \$8,089.85. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Noll moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into executive session at 12:09 pm to discuss matters relating to security measures. The discussion of such matters at an open meeting would jeopardize such security measures. The executive session is allowed by K.S.A. 75-4319 (b) (12), and that the purpose of the closed session is to protect confidentiality of the discussion, and that the Board come out of the executive session at 12:40 pm, in the Emergency Operations Center, 10443 US Hwy 59. Those present will be: the three commissioners, County Counselor Patrick Henderson and EM/IT Director Wes Lanter. Commissioner Reavis seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0. There was no action taken during the executive session.

Commissioner Noll moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into executive session at 12:42 pm for consultation with an attorney for the public body which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, as allowed by K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (2), and that the purpose of the closed session is to protect confidentiality of the

discussion, and that the Board come out of the executive session at 1:02 pm, in the Emergency Operations Center, 10443 US Hwy 59. Those present will be: the three commissioners and County Attorney Sherri Becker. Commissioner Reavis seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Noll moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into executive session at 1:03 pm for consultation with an attorney for the public body which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, as allowed by K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (2), and that the purpose of the closed session is to protect confidentiality of the discussion, and that the Board come out of the executive session at 1:13 pm, in the Emergency Operations Center, 10443 US Hwy 59. Those present will be: the three commissioners and County Attorney Sherri Becker. Commissioner Reavis seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

***New Business Before the Board:**

Discussion was held on if bylaws need passed for the Atchison Senior Village Advisory Board.

The May 16, 2023, commission meeting will be moved to May 15, 2023.

Commissioner Reavis revealed that a statue of Abraham Lincoln has been created by Aleda Haug, as a gift and will be installed somewhere in Atchison County. Lincoln gave a speech in Atchison in December 1859, which is commemorated on a plaque near the courthouse flagpole. Discussion was had on where the statue should be placed. One possible location for the statue is on the front lawn of the courthouse. The Art Association, Historical Society, and Juneteenth are working together to have this project placed.

Commissioner Reavis made a motion to allow the Chairwoman to sign documents for Gilmore Bell related to the Taxable Multi-Family Housing Revenue Bonds Series 2023 (Central School Apartments Project). Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

***Public Comment:**

There were no public comments.

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

Bills were presented to be signed.

Commissioner Reavis made the motion to adjourn at 1:35 pm. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairwoman Quinn 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: Kalee M. Vanderweide, Deputy County Election Officer