

## **Tuesday, January 25, 2022**

Pursuant to the law, the Atchison County Commission Board met in Regular Session at 1:00 PM at the Atchison County Courthouse, Lower Level, 423 N 5<sup>th</sup> St., 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 Courthouse, Lower Level, 423 N 5<sup>th</sup> St., Atchison, KS. Chairman Eric Noll called the meeting to order with Commissioner Casey Quinn and County Counselor Patrick Henderson present for the meeting. Commissioner Jack Bower attended the meeting via the Zoom Platform. Michelle Phillips, County Clerk recorded the minutes.

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

### **\*Public Comment:**

Stephanie McDonald, a Shannon County resident, appeared before the Board with concerns regarding a recent survey, available for city residents only, pertaining to County issues. Chairman Noll and Commissioner Quinn both thanked Ms. McDonald and mentioned they had questions they would like to get answered.

### **\*Reading and Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes of the January 18, 2022 meeting were reviewed with no corrections noted. Commissioner Bower made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. Chairman Noll called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

### **\*Commissioner Comments and Committee Reports**

Commissioner Bower stated that he has a Project Concern meeting on Wednesday, January 19, 2022. They discussed challenging staffing issues, similar to other organizations.

Commissioner Bower mentioned that he has a Community Correction meeting Wednesday, January 26, 2022.

Commissioner Bower noticed that the Atchison County Health Department wasn't accepting appointments this week. The notice on Facebook mentioned that if you needed a COVID-19 vaccination, you could go to other locations to get it.

Commissioner Bower mentioned that the new location at the Courthouse to be used for the Commission meetings turned out well and looks good on the Zoom. He shared concerns with viewing all the participants.

Commissioner Quinn shared that our thoughts and prayers go out to all the city staff for the passing of Commissioner J. David Farris.

Commissioner Quinn stated she had an Economic Development Advisory Group meeting Wednesday, January 19, 2022, and a meeting with the Senior Village on Thursday, January 20, 2022. She also attended the City of Atchison Meet and Greet for the City Manager Candidates where she was able to meet and talk to both of the candidates, Amy Finch and Joe Warren. She closed her week out on Friday taking a tour of some of the concerning roads with the Road & Bridge Superintendent, Joe Snyder.

Commissioner Quinn thanked the City of Atchison for adjusting the wording on their legislative response. The change was very appreciated.

Chairman Noll stated he has a NEK-Cap meeting on Thursday, January 20, 2022 via Zoom. During that meeting Chairman Noll was elected Treasurer of the Board.

Chairman Noll mentioned that he had a meeting with Karen Wilson of NEK Area Agency on Aging, and NEK-CAP both on Wednesday, January 26, 2022.

**\*New Business Before the Board:**

Kim Pruet, Joint Communication Director, appeared requesting approval on a purchase order from the Board. The purchase order is for CAD – Geobase Normalization Services, payable to Huber & Associates in the amount of \$3,500.00. Commissioner Quinn made a motion to approve the payment for the services, in the amount of \$3,500.00. Commissioner Bower seconded the motion. Chairman Noll called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Bower made a motion to approve the 1st Quarter disbursement of compensation for management fees in the amount of \$2,500.00 to U.S.D. 377 related to the Effingham Site and in the amount of \$10,000.00 to Atchison Sports Activities and Fitness, Inc. (ASAF) related to the Sports Complex in Atchison; for a grand total of \$12,500.00. Both payments are to be made by Exchange Bank as Trustee under the Sales Tax Refunding Revenue Bonds Series 2016-A. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. Chairman Noll called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Keith Rickard, Atchison Guidance Center, appeared before the Board on January 18, 2022 to present a proposed contract for 2022 between the Atchison Guidance Center and the County. Commissioner Bower made a motion to approve the agreement. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. Chairman Noll called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0. The Board decided to table the discussion of the appropriations of \$29,574.00 to the Crisis Stabilization Center until next week.

Mark Zeltner, Finance Director, presented the Board with an updated agreement for Loyd Group, LLC. Loyd Group will be assisting the County with the America Rescue Plan Act instead of Swindoll, Jenson, Loyd and Hawk, due to some restructuring. Commissioner Quinn made a motion to approve the agreement for Loyd Group LLC. Commissioner Bower

seconded the motion. Chairman Noll called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

The Board was previously presented a purchase order from the Chamber of Commerce for the 2022 membership dues in the amount of \$225.00. This is for membership dues only. Commissioner Quinn made a motion to approve the payment of the 2022 membership dues. Commissioner Bower seconded the motion. Chairman Noll called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

**\*County Counselor Updates:**

There were no County Counselor updates.

**\*Public Comment:**

Commissioner Quinn wanted to clarify a couple things that were discussed earlier in the day. Commissioner Quinn made a motion to rescind the joint communication resolution; however, did not receive a second. Commissioner Quinn will be looking into what the consequences will be if she pursues this further.

Commissioner Quinn noted that the County Website will soon have information regarding the Memorial Hall Trustee open position.

Commissioner Quinn mentioned that she will get information on how to go into the website to request notifications on different topics.

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

Bills were presented to be signed.

Commissioner Quinn made the motion to adjourn at 1:32 pm. Commissioner Bower seconded the motion. Chairman Noll 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](http://www.atchisoncountyks.org).

Attest: Kalee Vanderweide, Deputy County Election Officer