

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

Pursuant to law, the Atchison County Commission Board met in Regular Session at 1:00 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 2020-13 prohibiting mass gatherings.

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

***Public Comment:**

Minutes of the February 9, 2021 meeting were reviewed with no corrections noted. Commissioner Noll made the motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote. The motion passed 3-0.

***Commissioner Comments and Committee Reports**

There were no Commissioner comments.

***Reports of Elected Officials and Department Heads:**

Kimberly Glover, Road & Bridge Administrative Assistant, appeared for approval of the 2020 Noxious Weed Annual Report. Commissioner Noll made a motion to approve the annual report. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Administrative Assistant Glover also asked about approval on the Noxious Weed Management Plan for 2021. Commissioner Noll asked to table this item until next Tuesday, February 23, 2021 so he can review the documents.

***New Business Before the Board:**

There was presented a Resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SB87

Chairman Bower moved that the Resolution be adopted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Noll. Discussion was held that Commissioner Quinn opposed the Resolution since she has been having some discussion with the all the cities in Atchison County, and is hoping to come to an inter-local agreement with all of them. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted. The motion passed 2-1, with Commissioner Quinn voting nay. Chairman

Bower declared the Resolution duly adopted and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2021-1477 and was signed by Chairman Bower and Commissioner Noll then attested by the County Clerk.

***County Counselor Updates**

County Counselor Patrick Henderson, previously sent the Board a copy of the current social media policy. He mentioned that there has been a lots of case law that's been decided concerning governmental use of social media since the policy went into effect. Counselor Henderson asked the Board if they would be interested in updating the policy in light of all the new court decisions. This topic will be placed on the agenda for the meeting on Tuesday, February 23, 2021.

Counselor Henderson mentioned to the Board that there should have been a Resolution drafted in regards to setting of the Commission meeting dates. This would be due to a change in the statute along with the Charter Resolution 2013-1 that was passed by Atchison County on October 1, 2013. Counselor Henderson will have a prepared Resolution for approval for the February 23, 2021 meeting.

***Public Comment**

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

Commissioner Quinn made the motion to adjourn at 1:14 pm. Commissioner Noll 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