

**Tuesday, May 4, 2021**

Pursuant to the law, the Atchison County Commission Board met in Regular Session at 1:00 PM on the 1st floor of the courthouse, 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 via the Zoom platform by visiting the Clerk's Office on the 1st floor of the courthouse, 423 N 5<sup>th</sup> 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. Deputy County Election Officer Kalee Vanderweide 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 of the April 27, 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, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

**\*Commissioner Comments and Committee Reports:**

Commissioner Quinn told the Board that we finished up Government Month. We have finished up with the coloring contest and have three winners.

Chairman Bower turned his comments over to Wes Lanter, Emergency Management Director, to go over the Covid numbers for our county. Director Lanter stated that Atchison County has one case of the P1 Variant of Covid. There are currently 21 cases, with 2 hospitalized in Atchison County.

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

Joe Snyder, Road & Bridge Superintendent, appeared on the Zoom platform with a purchase order to Vance Brothers, Inc. for \$525,754.24; for the Chip and Seal of County Roads. Commissioner Quinn made a motion to approve the purchase order to Vance Brothers, Inc. for \$525,754.24. Commissioner Noll seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

Superintendent Snyder presented a purchase order to Heritage Tractor, for \$17,500.00, for a John Deere R10 Flex Wing Rotary Cutter. Commissioner Quinn made a motion to approve the purchase order to Heritage Tractor for \$17,500.00. Commissioner

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

Superintendent Joe Snyder appeared on the Zoom platform for a bid opening on a Micro-Surfacing Project on 286<sup>th</sup> Road. Kalee Vanderweide, Deputy County Election Officer, opened the sealed bids that were received. Vance Brothers, Inc., Kansas City, Mo., with a total bid of \$126,057.60 and Pavement Management, Lee's Summit, MO, with a total bid of \$149,952.00. Superintendent Snyder asked the Board for time to review the bids, and will bring his recommendation back at the May 11, 2021 meeting.

Donald Bratton, Representative for the Juneteenth Festival, appeared before the Board with information for the 2021 Juneteenth Festival being held on June 12, 2021. This is a free event being held at LFM Park for anyone to attend.

Jim Rowland, Executive Director, Atchison Chamber of Commerce, appeared before the Board via the Zoom platform with the 2022 Budget Request.

Steve Caplinger, Atchison County Historical Society, appeared before the Board via the Zoom platform with the 2022 Budget Request.

Tiffany Hoffman, Atchison County Conservation District, appeared before the Board via the Zoom platform with the 2022 Budget Request.

Chairman Bower presented a Contract for Grant Writing Services for Atchison County, for the Kansas Department of Commerce CDBG-CV3 Grant. This would be paid out at \$75.00/hour, with a cap of \$1,750.00. Commissioner Noll made a motion to allow Chairman Bower to sign the contract for Grant Writing Services. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

**\*County Counselor Updates:**

Patrick Henderson, County Counselor, presented an OPTION TO PURCHASE RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENT with the Revocable Living Trust Agreement of Marietta M. Taliaferro and the Revocable Living Trust Agreement of H. Keith Taliaferro. The county will pay the Taliaferro's for an option to purchase necessary right-of-way. Commissioner Noll made a motion to approve Chairman Bower signing the agreement. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. Chairman Bower called for a vote, all voted aye. The motion passed 3-0.

**\*Public Comment:**

There were no public comments.

Bills were presented to be signed.

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

Commissioner Quinn made the motion to adjourn at 2:33 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](http://www.atchisoncountyks.org).

Attest: Kalee Vanderweide, Deputy County Election Officer