

## **April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

The Morris County Commissioners met on Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Commissioners Wayne Kohler, David Fox and Jim Barber were present. Bill Kassebaum, County Counselor, and Chelsey Schmidt, County Clerk, were present.

Others present: Billy Kryger, Pastor Berean Baptist Church

Jay Simecka, County Sheriff, gave a report on the Sheriff's Office. Discussion was held regarding the Sheriff's Office storage area in the downstairs of the courthouse.

Commissioner Kohler (Barber) moved to approve a donation to the Chapter JN P.E.O. for Daddy Daughter Date Night in the amount of \$500.00. Funds are to be paid from the Diversion Fund. Motion carried.

Commissioner Kohler (Barber) moved to approve the invoice from Drury Inn Hotel in the amount of \$266.03, for room reservations for the Sheriff's Office while attending training. Funds are to be paid from the Diversion Fund. Motion carried.

Julie Hower discussed the Morris County Fair Board's plans to move forward with the design of the fair ground entrance sign.

John Lee gave a report on Noxious Weed and Waste Management Departments.

Commissioner Barber (Kohler) moved to approve the minutes from the March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting. Motion carried.

Ryan Michaelis, County Appraiser, gave a report on the Appraiser's Office. Discussion was held regarding renewing his contract with Morris County. The current contract expires on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

Wanda Platz, resident from Wilsey, called and expressed concerns regarding 2300 Rd north of Hwy 56.

Jeff Blosser, County Road Engineer, gave the following weekly road and bridge report:

- Hauled Harshman rock from the shop to H Ave., from 600 to 650
- Hauled Harshman rock from the shop to 875 Rd. and Vista Del Lago
- Hauled the new crushed 1 ½ inch rock from the shop to R Ave., west of the Lake Rd.
- Completed ditching and rebuilding CC Ave., from the Dunlap Rd. east to the county line
- Hauled Lincolnville rock on 2800 Rd., from DD Ave. to BB Ave.
- Hauling Lincolnville rock on AA Ave., from 2600 to 2450
- Installed a new entrance pipe on 2900 Rd. and 3100 Rd., in the Y Ave. to AA Ave. areas
- Worked on sign repairs in the Council Grove, Wilsey and Delavan areas
- Grading on the gravel routes
- Formed and poured the deck on the Four Mile low water crossing
- Schwab-Eaton looked at OS-58 for an off-system bridge project, OS-32 for possible local small bridge program project, and OS-5 for possible local small bridge program project
- Latimer shop discussion

Commissioner Barber discussed:

- A bridge off of D Ave. west of Hwy 4
- A ditch 1/4 mile north of Hwy 56 on 2500 Rd.

➤ 2300 Rd. north of Hwy 56

Allen Fisher, Township Seven Trustee, and Dean Miller, Township Seven Clerk, discussed the possibility of chip sealing or millings for the parking lot on the west side of the Delavan Community Building. County Road Engineer, Jeff Blosser, will provide a cost estimate.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

--Meeting minutes can also be found on the county website: [www.morriscountyks.org](http://www.morriscountyks.org)

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**OF MORRIS COUNTY, KANSAS**

\_\_\_\_\_  
David L. Fox, Chairman

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Wayne Kohler, Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chelsey Schmidt  
Morris County Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jim Barber, Member