

July 26th, 2022

The Morris County Commissioner meeting was called to order on Tuesday, July 26th, 2022 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, AJ Dome, Council Grove Republican

Ben Moore, with Moore Studio LLC, attended the meeting via telephone. Discussion was held regarding the dispatch/jail expansion project. Potential cost savings were reviewed and will be placed as alternates when the project is put out for bid. The item was tabled and will be furthered discussed next week at 9:30A.M.

Commissioner Fox (Barber) moved to approve the County Attorney's Diversion Fund request for a donation to the Council Grove Area Foundation USD 417 School Supply Fund Raiser in the amount of \$2,500.00. Funds are to be paid from the Diversion Fund. Motion carried.

Commissioner Barber (Fox) moved to approve the minutes from the July 19th, 2022 County Commission meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Commissioner Barber (Fox) moved to approve rescheduling the August 9th Commission Meeting to August 11th from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. and to move the County Canvass to August 11th at 2:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Commissioner Fox (Barber) moved to approve the accounts payable vouchers as presented; in the amount of \$105,831.38. Motion carried. The breakdown by fund is as follows:

General:	\$ 11,743.22
Road & Bridge:	\$ 79,145.27
Reappraisal:	\$ 20.89
Noxious Weed:	\$ 14,922.00

Commissioner Barber (Fox) moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$103,332.23 and employer payroll liabilities in the amount of \$96,206.12. Motion carried.

Travis Schweger, Noxious Weed and Waste Management Director, gave a report on the Noxious Weed and Waste Management departments.

Commissioner Barber (Fox) moved to recess the meeting early to break for lunch and to view the CCC Building at separate times during the lunch break. The meeting recessed at 11:40 A.M. Motion carried.

Shelly Lautt and Jeff Falter gave the following weekly road and bridge report:

- Hauled the Robidou creek gravel on 700 Rd. from D-G
- Hauled the Miller creek gravel on X Ave. from 100-200 and V Ave. from 525-700
- Mowing was done on the Wilsey route, Dwight routes, 2800 Rd and Hwy 56 to Burdick, and BB Ave. from 2200-3200 on the Burdick route
- Water hydrants were replaced at the fairgrounds; hopefully stopping the water leaks
- Trees were trimmed on Ram Court, Meadow Drive, 975 Rd. from R-T, and T Ave. from 900-1000 ahead of the chip seal work
- Potholes were patched in with asphalt on G Ave. from 2300-2400 and the entrance to the landfill

- Ditches and culverts were cleaned on X Ave. from 2400-2500, 3100 Rd. from DD-FF, 2300 Rd. from V-X, V Ave. from 2200-2300 and the low water crossing on 1800 Rd. and X Ave.
- Driveway entrance was installed on Pondway for a new home
- Shoulder ditch work was done on 400 Rd. from AB-DD and 3100 Rd. from DD-FF
- Regular dragging of roads was done on all routes

Two fuel bids were received for 4,000 gallons of diesel fuel and 4,000 gallons of regular unleaded gasoline as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Diesel</u>	<u>Reg Unleaded</u>	<u>Total</u>
Agri Trails	4.0187/gal	3.1930/gal	\$28,846.80
MFA Oil	3.9920/gal	3.1011/gal	\$28,372.40

Commissioner Barber (Fox) moved to approve the bid from MFA Oil as presented; in the total amount of \$28,372.40. Motion carried.

2022/2023 Propane Contract from K & R Propane LLC, was reviewed. The item was tabled.

Discussion was held regarding Wildcat MCM trucks hauling rip rap down D Ave. from Hwy 4 to K-177; KDOT truck getting stuck on minimum maintenance road (1100 Rd. between F-G); K-177 will shut down on August 15th, USD 417 bus routes will travel on the Kelso Rd. and Old K-4 and 500 Rd.

Ken Reitz, City Lake resident, discussed recycling procedures.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

--Meeting minutes can also be found on the county website: www.morriscountyks.org

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Morris County Clerk

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