

November 2nd, 2021

The Morris County Commissioners met on Tuesday, November 2nd, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Commissioners Wayne Kohler, Jim Barber and David Fox were present. Bill Kassebaum, County Counselor, and Chelsey Schmidt, County Clerk, were present.

Linda Eldridge, Morris County Treasurer, provided an update on the Treasurer's Office. The commissioners were presented with preliminary drawings and floor plans for new cabinets that are going to be installed in the Treasurer's Office.

Jay Simecka, Morris County Sheriff, provided an update on the Sheriff's Office. Discussion was held regarding the county's current leave policies.

Commissioner Barber (Kohler) moved to approve the net payroll as presented in the amount of \$65,969.35. Motion carried.

Commissioner Kohler (Barber) moved to approve the minutes from the October 26th, 2021 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

John Comp discussed the leftover chips at the White City Shop location.

Commissioner Barber (Kohler) moved to approve John Comp to have one loader bucket of gravel chips that are leftover from the chip n seal at the White City Shop, as compensation for land easement right of way for the OS-36 Bridge Project. Motion carried.

Travis Schweger, Noxious Weed and Waste Management Director, provided a report on the Noxious Weed and Waste Management departments. The Transfer Station will be closed November 25th- 27th. The security camera system installation has been completed.

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

- Continue to mow on the Dwight, north White City, and west Council Grove routes
- Hauled creek gravel to 1600 from Q-R Ave., 1700 from U-V Ave., G Ave. from 800-900, H Ave. from 500-800, 1000 from T-U Ave.
- Hauled Rawhide Quarry gravel to M Ave. from 1900-2400
- Screening creek gravel
- Hauling creek gravel to P Ave. from 2600-2700
- Signed the agreement with EES for our annual bridge inspections; there are three to be completed
- Employee Discussion; two new employees that started November 1st and one that will start November 19th

Commissioner Barber (Kohler) moved to approve the purchase of a 2014 Dodge Ram 5500 4x4 diesel truck with 106,951 miles, in the amount of \$45,995.00 from Green Country Auto Sales in Oklahoma. Funds are to be paid from the Equipment Reserve Fund. Motion carried.

Commissioner Barber (Kohler) moved to approve the purchase of a 2022 Dodge Ram 1500 4x4 truck in the amount of \$42,495.00 from Bolton Inc. in Council Grove. Funds are to be paid from the Equipment Reserve Fund. Motion carried.

Commissioner Barber discussed the area of H Ave., west of 2900 Rd. by request of Keith Deikmann.

Commissioner Barber (Kohler) moved to authorize Chairman David Fox to approve and sign the claim form for KCAMP to initiate the insurance payment to Tyson Read on behalf of Morris County. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

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

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OF MORRIS COUNTY, KANSAS

David L. Fox, Chairman

ATTEST:

Wayne Kohler, Member

Chelsey Schmidt
Morris County Clerk

Jim Barber, Member