

THE PRATT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET IN REGULAR SESSION MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2021 AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONER ROOM, 1ST FLOOR IN THE COURTHOUSE. WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: THOMAS W. JONES, RICK N. SHRIVER AND DWIGHT ADAMS, TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, LORI VOSS, COUNTY CLERK AND MARK GRABER, IT DIRECTOR. ALSO, PRESENT, LINDA HOEME.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, REMINDED EVERYONE THE MEETING IS BEING STREAMED OVER ZOOM AND TO PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME WHEN SPEAKING; MARK GRABER, IT DIRECTOR, WILL WATCH FOR ANY COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC.

HEATHER MORGAN, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISOR, GAVE AN UPDATE ON CHANGES SHE HAS TURNED IN FOR THE SPARK GRANTS. THERE WILL BE MORE GRANTS AVAILABLE TO SHUTTERED VENUES, ALSO PANDEMIC ASSISTANCE FOR AG PRODUCERS THAT EXPERIENCED SUPPLY CHAIN DISRUPTIONS. SHE REPORTED KANSAS HAS A 2.8% UNEMPLOYMENT AT THIS TIME. LEGISLATORS WANT 25% OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PROGRAM TO HELP BUSINESSES CLOSED OR HAD TO LIMIT CAPACITY. THE STATE WILL REPLENISH THE UNEMPLOYMENT FUND DUE TO THE FRAUDULENT CLAIMS FILED. THEY ARE STILL DISCUSSING SB286. SB13, THE TRANSPARENCY BILL WAS SIGNED INTO LAW AND WILL BE EFFECTIVE IN 2022. SHE STATED THIS WILL MEAN MORE WORK FOR THE COUNTY CLERK. THE BILL INCLUDES PROVISIONS FOR PAYMENT PLANS TO THE TREASURER'S OFFICE. TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, QUESTIONED THE COST TO THE COUNTY TO IMPLEMENT SB13, SHE STATED THE COST WILL BE COVERED BY THE STATE. SB40 THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BILL WOULD ALLOW SCHOOL BOARDS AND TRUSTEES TO DECIDE IF THEY ARE OPEN OR HAVE A MASK MANDATE. TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, STATED THE HEALTH OFFICER WOULD HAVE TO COME TO THE COMMISSIONERS WITH ANY HEALTH ORDER TO BE APPROVED.

TIM BRANSCOM, EMERGENCY MANAGER/ZONING DIRECTOR, STATED HE HAS THE PAPERWORK FOR ZONING IUKA AND COATS. HE HAS A MEETING WITH IUKA TO MAKE CHANGES AND WILL CONTACT COATS NEXT WEEK TO SET UP A MEETING. HE RECEIVED THE REPORT ON THE WEATHER TOWER AND IS GOING TO HAVE A ZOOM MEETING WITH THE OTHER AFFECTED PARTIES TO MAKE DECISIONS. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO PAY TOWERKRAFT ENGINEERING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2000.00 OUT OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FOR WORK ON THE WEATHER TOWER. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

JASON WINKEL, LANDFILL/RECYCLING SUPERVISOR, REPORTED THE COST OF REBUILDING THE SCRAPER IS \$242,443.79. THEY DISCUSSED OPTIONS. HE WILL GET A QUOTE ON NECESSARY REPAIRS AND REPORT BACK. HE REPORTED RECYCLING PRICES ARE UP.

SCOTT HARRIS, EMS DIRECTOR, REPORTED THEY ARE GETTING READY FOR THE ANNUAL INSPECTION. HE STATED THE CONTRACT WITH ZOLL MEDICAL CORPORATION, THEIR BILLING PROVIDER IS COMING UP FOR RENEWAL. THEY ARE PLEASED WITH THEIR SERVICES AND WILL BE RENEWING. HE REPORTED THE HOSPITAL MEETINGS ARE GOING WELL.

TRACY PETZ, RSVP ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, PRESENTED CHECKS FOR SIGNATURES.

TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, REPORTED HE HAD LOOKED OVER THE PRATT AREA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AND FOUND NO PROBLEMS.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER REPORTED HE HAD RECEIVED THE CONTRACT AND INVOICE FROM KANSAS GAS FOR OUR SHARE OF THE COST TO GET GAS TO THE PSB. THE BILL IS \$4,381.09, SINCE TYSON HAD NOT HAD TIME TO REVIEW THE CONTRACT, THEY WILL DISCUSS APRIL 5, 2021.

COMMISSIONER JONES MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT WITH SPYGLASS GROUP LLC. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SIGNED TWO EMERGENCY VEHICLE PERMITS.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE LANDMARK INVOICE FOR \$3,491.25. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM MARCH 22, 2021 AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

ROBERT TORRES, ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES SUPERVISOR, REPORTED JASON WINKEL HAD DONE WELDING ON HIS TRAILER. REPORTED HE HAS BEEN SPRAYING.

DOUG FREUND, ROAD SUPERVISOR, PRESENTED EIGHT ROAD CROSSINGS LOCATED AT SW 20TH STREET, SE 10TH AVENUE, SE 30TH STREET, 249 NE 30TH AVENUE, NE 10TH STREET, NE 30TH STREET, NE 45TH AVENUE AND NW 20TH AVENUE FOR SC TELCOM FOR FIBER OPTIC LINES.

MICHELLE YINGLING, BCBS REPRESENTATIVE, PRESENTED THE HEALTH/DENTAL RENEWAL. THERE IS AN INCREASE OF 25% AS THE POLICY IS RIGHT NOW. SHE DISCUSSED DIFFERENT OPTIONS TO LOWER THAT COST. SHE NEEDS A DECISION THIRTY DAYS AHEAD OF THE RENEWAL DATE OF MAY 31, 2021. NO DECISION WAS MADE AT THIS TIME.

DARCIE VANDERVYVER, HEALTH DIRECTOR, GAVE THE COVID UPDATE. THERE HAVE BEEN 3,454 VACCINES GIVEN. THE LAB IS FINISHED AND THEY WILL START INSTALLING THE NEW HVAC SYSTEM.

TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, DISCUSSED THE JOINT LEC MEETING THAT WAS HELD MARCH 24, 2021. IT WAS DISCUSSED RATHER THE DISPATCH NEEDED THEIR OWN ORI NUMBER. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER STATED WE HAVE A CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF PRATT FOR THEM TO RUN DISPATCH. TYSON WILL CONTACT REGINA GOFF, CITY ATTORNEY AND REPORT NEXT WEEK.

COMMISSIONER JONES MADE A TO APPROVE PAYMENT VOUCHERS DATED MARCH 29, 2021. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 4:50 P.M. COMMISSIONER JONES
SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:50 P.M.

RICK N. SHRIVER CHAIRMAN

DWIGHT ADAMS MEMBER

LORI VOSS, COUNTY CLERK

THOMAS W. JONES III MEMBER