

THE PRATT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET IN REGULAR SESSION MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2023 AT 2:00 PM IN THE COMMISSIONER ROOM, 1ST FLOOR OF THE COURTHOUSE. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT: THOMAS W. JONES III, RICK SHRIVER, DWIGHT ADAMS, TYSON EISENHAEUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, LORI VOSS, CLERK, AND MARK GRABER, IT DIRECTOR.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

TYSON EISENHAEUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND TITLE WHEN SPEAKING, PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE ALLOWED TO THE EXTENT THAT IT IS ON TOPIC. PERSONS PARTICIPATING VIA ZOOM ARE CURRENTLY MUTED. IF YOU HAVE A COMMENT, PLEASE LET MARK KNOW VIA THE CHAT FUNCTION. MARK WILL THEN INFORM CHAIRMAN JONES, WHO CAN TAKE UP THE COMMENT IN A MANNER THAT DOES NOT DISRUPT THE AGENDA. IN THE EVENT AN EXECUTIVE SESSION IS NEEDED, IT WILL BE MUTED WHEN RECESSED AND TURNED BACK ON WHEN THEY RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

HEATHER MORGAN, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/COVID CONSULTANT, REPORTED KDOT ANNOUNCED CONSULTATIONS FOR THE NEXT TWO-YEAR CYCLES WILL BE EARLY OCTOBER HELD IN WICHITA AND NEWTON. THERE WILL ALSO BE A VIRTUAL MEETING. SHE SUGGESTS THE COMMISSIONERS ATTEND THESE MEETINGS FOR PRATT COUNTY VOICES TO BE HEARD. THE FOUR LANE FROM LIBERAL TO WICHITA IS FOREFRONT AGAIN. SHE STATED THE COMMISSIONERS NEED TO HAVE DISCUSSIONS BEFORE THE CONSULTATIONS. THE SECRETARY OF INSURANCE ANNOUNCED THAT OVER 600 SMALL BUSINESSES ARE NOT GOING TO HAVE TO PAY INTO THE SELF FUNDED WORKERS COMPENSATION NEXT YEAR BECAUSE THE FUND HAS SUFFICIENT FUNDS. PRATT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MET WITH CITY OF PRATT TO ENSURE THAT ALL FINANCIAL RECORDS ARE IN THE CORRECT HANDS AS THEY TRANSITION TO A NEW FINANCIAL OFFICER.

DOUG FREUND, ROAD/LAKE SUPERVISOR, PRESENTED THE GRANT FORM FOR SIGNATURES. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE HIGH-RISK ROAD GRANT FOR \$420,000.00. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. HE PRESENTED A QUOTE FROM SIMPSON DIRT CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5785.00, TO REMOVE TREES ON WEST RIVER ROAD BY THE SMALL BRIDGE. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE QUOTE FROM SIMPSON DIRT TO REMOVE TREES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5785.00. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

JON ROACH, NOXIOUS WEED, GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE TRUCK THAT IS BEING REPAIRED AT FAIRBANKS EQUIPMENT. THE PUMP MOTOR ON THE SPRAYER NEEDS TO BE REPLACED, IT COULD COST IN EXCESS OF \$10,000. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER REQUESTED HE GET BIDS ON THE REPAIRS BEFORE ANY WORK IS DONE AND REPORT BACK.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM MAY 30, 2023. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO CANCEL INSURANCE FROM EMPAC, WICHITA, KS. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:17 PM FOR TEN MINUTES FOR AN ATTORNEY/CLIENT MATTER CONCERNING MULTIPLE LEGAL ISSUES. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION

TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:27 PM WITH NO ACTION TAKEN. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT VOUCHERS FOR JUNE 5, 2023. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO RECESS THE MEETING AT 2:36 PM UNTIL TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023 AT 9:00 AM FOR THE DEPARTMENT HEAD BUDGET MEETING WITH SCOT LOYD, THE LOYD GROUP. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. MEETING RECESSED.

THE RECESSED MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 AM ON JUNE 6, 2023, IN THE COMMISSIONER ROOM, FIRST FLOOR, COURTHOUSE. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT: THOMAS W. JONES III, DWIGHT ADAMS, RICK SHRIVER, TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR AND LORI VOSS, COUNTY CLERK. ALSO, PRESENT SCOT LOYD, ACCOUNTANT WITH THE LOYD GROUP.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE FLAG SALUTE.

BUDGETS WERE PRESENTED BY EACH DEPARTMENT HEAD. EACH DEPARTMENT EXPLAINED THEIR BUDGETS AND THEIR INCREASES.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO RECESS THE MEETING AT 11:52 AM FOR LUNCH. THEY WILL RESUME AT 1:30 PM. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. MEETING RECESSED.

RECESSED MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 1:30 PM BY CHAIRMAN JONES.

BUDGET PRESENTATION AND REVIEWS CONTINUED.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 3:27 PM. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

THOMAS W JONES III CHAIRMAN

DWIGHT ADAMS MEMBER

LORI VOSS, COUNTY CLERK

RICK N SHRIVER MEMBER