

January 18, 2022

The Stanton County Board of Commissioners met in regular session January 18, 2022. Present were Commissioners John Smith, Chris Floyd and Lonnie Brown, County Attorney David Black and County Clerk Sandy Barton. Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of January 10 were read and approved.

Vouchers were approved and paid as follows:

General	\$	119,829.02
Road & Bridge		36,372.99
Airport		5,626.99
Golf Course		6,926.47
Park		3,084.00
4-H Bldg.		2,293.65
Mental Health		5,000.00
Noxious Weed		2,724.81
Fire & Rescue		34,444.52
Dev. Disabled		5,000.00
Treas. MV Operating		1,000.00
Medical Expenses		1,995.00
Totals	\$	224,297.45

Road Supervisor John Schweizer met with the Board to discuss issues pertinent to his department. A discussion was held about Big Bow Grade. John will gather additional information. A road crossing permit for Pioneer Electric for an electric line crossing Road H between SE 15-29-40 & SW 14-29-40.

Health Nurse Ruth Walker and Hospital CEO Jay Tusten and CFO Rhonda Wild met with the Board. Mrs. Walker updated the Board on the Health Department and presented financials for December 2021. Mrs. Walker left the meeting. The Board went over the financials for the Hospital and LTCU for the past 3 years. The Board would like to decrease or eliminate the subsidy the County pays to the Hospital and LTCU. The Board requested for the Hospital to look at ways to cut costs or increase revenue before the budget process begins in June of 2022.

Historical Society Board Members Steve Shepard & Kaye Sipes met with the Board to discuss wages of employee Sarah Martin. The Board doesn't plan to replace former Curator Katie Herrick and Sarah will assume the responsibilities of both jobs. The Board requested an hourly wage of \$16.00. Commissioner Brown moved to accept the \$16.00 hourly wage, seconded by Commissioner Floyd. Motion carried.

Golf Course Manager Andrew Trujillo met with the Board to discuss usage and fees at the golf course. Andrew discussed the purchase a new Hustler mower at 1/3 of the cost of a previous mower purchase. The Board requested that he look at the cost of memberships and green fees as compared to surrounding golf courses. Andrew requested to place an ad for a used greens mower on the K-State marketplace. The Board approved the request.

Chairman Smith signed the Interlocal Agreement between the County and Johnson City for the Oak Street project.

The Board signed the mowing contract between the County and Circle 6 Farming and Mowing LLC for mowing the county roads.

Chairman Smith signed a t-hangar lease for the county hangar.

Chairman Smith signed tax roll order – 2022-02 for abatement of \$2,024.58 in taxes for a change from commercial to residential.

The Historical Society submitted minutes of their November 9 meeting.

The Senior Service Board submitted minutes of their December 21 meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Smith adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST:
Sandy Barton
County Clerk

SIGN:
John D. Smith
Chairman