January 23, 2023

The Stanton County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, January 23, 2023. Present were Commissioners Chris Floyd, John Smith, and Lonnie Brown, and Deputy County Clerk Amber Wilkerson. Chairman Floyd called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of January 9th were read and approved.

Vouchers were approved and paid as follows:

General	\$ 23,060.74
Payroll	106,439.16
Road & Bridge	4,326.45
Airport	674.28
Library EB	37,448.98
Golf Course	784.63
4-H Building	514.31
Extension Council	105,466.45
Noxious Weed	491.99
Library	157,835.45
Fire & Rescue	1,531.74
LEC E911	 575.52
Totals	\$ 439,149.70

Vanessa Trujillo, Stanton County Treasurer met with the Board to give an update on tax collections and the current County financials.

Road Supervisor, Troy Brickman met with the Board to discuss issues pertinent to his department. Troy has 3 dump trucks his department is not able to use and would like to purchase 2 from the KDOT in Garden City: 2005 IHC 7400 6x4 for \$49,500 and a 2005 IHC 7400 6x4 for \$47,000. No decision was made at this time.

County Attorney, Clint Floyd joined the meeting at 12:15 pm.

Undersheriff, Clayton Kester met with the Board to update them on the Sheriff's Department. Clayton is working with the Grant County Sheriff's Department to get an inmate housing agreement established. The Commissioners encouraged Clayton to utilize outside agencies to help mitigate strain on staff while deputies are at KLETC.

County Attorney, Clint Floyd left the meeting at 12:50 pm.

Health Nurse Ruth Walker met with the Board to update them on the activities at the Health Department. No financials for December were available due to software issues. Mrs. Walker asked the Commissioners to sign a letter of support from the Health Coalition to the KDOT Southwest District Engineer, Ron Hall requesting the speed limit be reduced from 55 mph to 35 mph between the intersection of Hwy 160 and Hwy 27 at the northwest edge of town, and the intersection of Hwy 160 and Main Street and add an official marked crossing at McDonald Street due to the large number of pedestrians crossing Hwy 160 at McDonald Street. Chairman Floyd signed the letter.

Susan Lucas, Register of Deeds met with the Board to discuss her copy machine. Ms. Lucas' lease with Xerox is expiring soon and she will be leasing a new copy machine with Xerox for 63 months at \$216.54 per month. The Commission had no concerns with the new lease agreement.

Aly McClure, Chamber of Commerce director met with the Board to discuss the upcoming Annual Benefit Gala being held February 10th at the Stanton County Senior Center. The Chamber is requesting a cash bar with a limited selection of alcohol be available. After some discussion, Chaiman Floyd made a motion that alcoholic beverages could be purchased at the Gala provided the Chamber signs a contract with the County, purchased event insurance and the vendor serving the alcohol provided proof of liability insurance. Commissioner Smith seconded. Motion carried.

The Board signed a contract with Hay, Rice, and Associates for the 2022 Stanton County year-end audit.

The Stanton County Historical Society submitted minutes of their November 7, 2022, meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Floyd adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

ATTEST: Amber Wilkerson Deputy County Clerk SIGN: Christopher Floyd Chairman