

February 7, 2022

The Stanton County Board of Commissioners met in regular session February 7, 2022. Present were Commissioners John Smith and Chris Floyd, County Attorney David Black and County Clerk Sandy Barton. Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of January 18 and 20 were read and approved.

Vouchers were approved and paid as follows:

General	\$	42,838.43
Road & Bridge		18,219.10
Airport		6,945.94
Golf Course		20,520.83
Park		907.98
4-H Bldg.		589.34
Noxious Weed		1,448.95
Fire & Rescue		1,445.17
County Equipment		2,456.38
Bond & Interest Hospital		101,200.00
MASA		14.00
LEC 911		<u>450.00</u>
Totals	\$	206,036.12

Commissioner Floyd moved to enter executive session at 10:17 a.m. for 10 minutes for Attorney-Client exception with the Commissioners, County Attorney and County Clerk present, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried. Executive session ended at 10:27 a.m. with no action taken.

Road Supervisor John Schweizer met with the Board to discuss issues pertinent to his department. The packer that was involved in an accident was a total loss, and John will replace it. Bids for a new motor grader were presented. 2022 John Deere Premium Circle 770GP for \$349,097.00 and a 2022 John Deere 770GP for \$346,397.00. The Board request bids from Caterpillar as well. A proposal from Coughlin Co. was presented to mill with cement 5 miles of South Big Bow grade from Road 17 north to Highway 160 for \$556,769.00. The Board requested bids using chemicals rather than cement.

Sheriff Jason Stewart met with the Board to update them on his department.

Jay Tusten, Camille Davidson and Rhonda Wild with Stanton County Hospital and Board Members Doug Daniels and Julie Edmisson met with the Board to discuss their financials. The Commissioners would like the Hospital to look at ways to generate more income or ways to lessen the burden to finance the Hospital and LTCU. Several items were discussed and will be followed up on at the meeting on March 7th. The Board requested a 25% decrease in funding for 2023 and at this time will hold payments for 2022.

Bryan Ellis and Micah Cook with the Health Coalition met with the Board to give them an update on the proposed walking path around Battin Park. The Coalition continues to do fund raisers to finance the project.

The Board went over several documents for the Stanton County Airport for design phase of the South 2/3 of Runway 17-35 Parallel Taxiway for an approximate cost of \$182,000.00 with the County's share of \$18,470.00. Commissioner Floyd moved to proceed the design phase, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried.

An abatement was signed by the Board.
2022-3 – abate 25% of penalty - \$158.92 in tax.

The Stanton County Library submitted figures for usage of the library over the past 4 years. Minutes of December 17, December 30 and January 5 and Director's report for December 15 were submitted.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Smith adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

ATTEST:
Sandy Barton
County Clerk

SIGN:
John D. Smith
Chairman