

Gove County Commissioner Meeting Minutes 1-22-2024 **Approved**

The regular meeting of the Gove County Commissioners was called to order at 8:15 a.m. at the Gove County Office Building. Members present were Duane Vollbracht, Chuck Kuntz, and Mike Gillespie. Bonnie Cook was present taking minutes.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mike made a motion to approve the agenda. Duane seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Doug Minson with Foley Equipment and Mark Polifka joined the meeting at 8:40 am. Brad Smith with Murphy Tractor joined the meeting at 8:45 am.

Ron Inloes and Denise Wolf joined the meeting at 8:58 am. Denise gave the Commissioners the Road and Bridge accounts payables summary. Doug gave the Commissioners 2 quotes for Cat Motor Graders and the trade in amounts. Brad gave the Commissioners quotes for 2 John Deere Motor Graders and the trade in amounts. Doug, Mark and Brad left the meeting at 9:17 pm. The Commissioners, Ron and Denise discussed the quotes on the 2 motor graders. Duane made a motion to approve the purchase of 2 new motor graders. One from Foley Equipment and one from Murphy Tractor. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Brock Maier joined the meeting at 9:28 am. Ron told the Commissioners that they have started on the bridge north of Quinter. Ron and Denise left the meeting at 9:43 am. Brock talked to the Commissioners about the KDOT contract for 2024. Duane made a motion to approve KDOT's contract. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Matt Wolf joined the meeting at 9:50 am. Brock left the meeting at 9:56 am. Matt told the Commissioners that he took his Household Hazardous Waste Refresher Course. Matt said that cardboard will be ready to go next week to Hutchinson KS. Matt left the meeting at 10:08 am.

Dirk Roth and Jason Moses joined the meeting at 10:09 am. Jason told the Commissioners about a leak at the Courthouse. Dirk left the meeting at 10:13 am. Duane made a motion to go into executive for 10 minutes from 10:15 am to 10:25 am for non-elected personnel. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Jason left the meeting at 10:25 am.

Amy Teeter, Kat Eilert and Denise Lovelady joined the meeting at 10:27 am. Denise talked to the Commissioners about WIC on December 8th with Kay Reidel. Denise also talked about Foundation of Public health that training. Amy told the Commissioners that the Health Department now has RSV shots for adults. Amy said she will be talking with Dr Scott monthly about what has been done at the Health Department. Kat told the Commissioners about the WIC affidavits. Denise, Kat and Amy left the meeting at 10:52 am.

Dave Polifka joined the meeting at 10:53 am. Terry Ostmeyer joined the meeting at 10:59 am. Dave left the meeting at 11:00 am. Mark Schmeidler joined the meeting at 11:20 am.

Marvin Beesley joined the meeting at 11:27 am. Marvin asked why do we have voting machines. Marvin also was asking about the hospital/medical clinic. Dave Polifka joined the meeting at 11:35 am. Marvin also asked about the procedures to get on the Hospital Board agenda. He then asked about the bindweed in the County and about chemicals at the County and about the County subsidizing program for chemicals. Marvin left the meeting at 12:09 pm. There was discussion about how the Hospital Board will be elected. Terry and Dave left the meeting at 12:40 pm. Chuck made a motion to recess for lunch at 12:40 pm. Duane seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The Commissioners and Mark returned from lunch at 1:25 pm. Duane made a motion to approve Accounts Payable Checks 2024 71169 thru 71234 and 2023 71235 and 71236. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Melissa Hanna and Erin Lammers joined the meeting at 2:04 pm. The Commissioners ask if Melissa or Erin could make a report from the GIS program. Melissa and Erin left the meeting at 2:15 pm.

Mike made a motion to approve the amended minutes. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Duane made a motion to adjourn at 2:40 pm. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Bonnie Cook Gove County Clerk

Duane Vollbracht, Chairman

Charles Kuntz, Member

Michael Gillespie, Member