

**FORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES  
WORK SESSION OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2021  
MEETING NUMBER 2021-33  
COMMISSION CHAMBERS  
2:30 P.M.**



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The Board of County Commissioners met in work session in the Commission Chambers at the Ford County Government Center.

Those present were:

Shawn Tasset, Chairman

J.D. Gilbert, County Administrator

Chris Boys, Commissioner

Debbie Cox, County Clerk

Ken W. Snook, Commissioner

Chairman Tasset called the meeting to order. He announced no action would be taken.

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**Gilmore Bell**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FORD COUNTY, KANSAS**

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**Shawn Tasset, Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Debbie Cox, County Clerk**

**FORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES**  
**MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2021**  
**MEETING NUMBER 2021-34**  
**COMMISSION CHAMBERS**  
**3:30 P.M.**



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The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the Commission Chambers at the Ford County Government Center.

Those present were:

Shawn Tasset, Chairman

J.D. Gilbert, County Administrator

Ken W. Snook, Commissioner

Debbie Cox, County Clerk

Chris Boys, Commissioner

Chairman Tasset called the meeting to order. Dr. Shawn Fletcher led the group in prayer, followed by Chairman Tasset leading the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Consent Agenda**

Approval of Minutes Meetings: 2021-31; 2021-32

Approval of Additions & Abatements: 2019 PP \$246.06; 2020 PP \$1,865.28; 2020 16/20 m's \$162.66; 2020 W/C \$26.90

Commissioner Boys moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

### **Approval of Claims for Payment: \$684,473.75**

Chairman Tasset moved to approve the claims for payment as presented. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

### **Open Public Comment**

Danielle Crouch, Western State Bank Expo Manager invited everyone to the dockdogs event that will be held September 24 through the 26 at the Expo Center. There are over 100 entries so far. Tickets are just \$2.00.

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **SFTCC Budget Clarification: Request to Create Additional Position**

This was tabled from the 2021-32 meeting for clarification on the source for funding of the created position for an ISO officer at SFTCC. Dr. Shawn Fletcher, Assistant County Administrator, recommended not funding this at this time. The 2022 budget has been finalized and would have to be amended. He recommended revisiting the issue prior to the 2023 budget cycle. A fund could be budgeted, if there is still a need for the position, at that time.

Patrick Klecker, Director of Santa Fe Trail Community Corrections, stated they have a need for this position. Much discussion was held on the need and what the state covers.

Chairman Tasset moved to go with staff recommendation to not approve this position. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion.

**Motion carried 3-0.**

### **Legal Counsel - None**

### **County Administrator's Report**

#### **Charter Resolution for Hilmar Incentive / Bond Process**

Garth Herrmann with Gilmore Bell, presented for approval Charter Resolution 2021-01CH. This Charter Resolution will help the County finance and pay for road improvements without effecting the County's bond indebtedness scores.

Commissioner Boys moved to adopt Charter Resolution 2021-01CH. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

#### **Resolution 2021-20: Western Kansas Urban Search and Rescue Task Force, USAR**

Chief Boyd is asking approval of Resolution No. 2021-20. This resolution would authorize Ford County Fire & EMS Chief Rob Boyd to participate in the Kansas Search and Rescue Response System. Ford County Fire & EMS could send 4 first responders to disasters with the Kansas Search and Rescue Response System.

Chairman Tasset moved to adopt Resolution 2021-20 Western Kansas Urban Search and Rescue Task Force, USAR. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

#### **Resolution 2021-21: Road Vacation Petition**

Ford County Legal Counsel Mr. Glenn Kerbs presented Resolution 2021-21, A Resolution to consider vacating the south one thousand feet of the north half mile of 108 road between Horseshoe and Garnett roads in Ford County, Kansas. The landowner is requesting said roadway to be vacated.

A viewing date and time needs to be set for the commission to view the road. Prior to the Commission meeting on October 18 was recommended . It was noted a schedule conflict is to be addressed regarding the Oct. 18 meeting. Oct 25, 2021 was suggested as the changed date.

Commissioner Boys moved approve Resolution 2021-21 and have the road viewing on October 25, 2021 at 2:00 pm. Chairman Tasset seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

**Wester State Bank Expo Center: Event Addendum**

Danielle Crouch Western State Bank Expo Center Manager brought for review the event addendum, which was implemented in meeting 2020-23. This was brought back for review to see if the commission wished to continue the addendum.

Chairman Tasset moved to discontinue the event addendum. Commissioner Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

**Discussion on Depreciation and Replacement Fund**

At the Joint Commission meeting held 8/23/2021, discussion was held on the need to fund the Sales Tax Fund- Depreciation and Replacement, to be able to do the up keep of the buildings that were built with the Sales Tax Fund. The City receives \$250,000 for the Depot; the County receives \$300,000 for the Expo Center. The City suggested the City and County give up that money to be placed in the Sales Tax Fund-Depreciation and Replacement, to build back the fund so there will be money to do up keep. Commissioner Boys was not at the Joint meeting. Chairman Tasset wanted Commissioner Boys to be able to have input on this.

No motion was made after much discussion.

**Upcoming Meetings**

CFAB: 6:30 pm on Tuesday, September 28, 2021, City Commissioners Chambers, City Hall

KDOT / Bi-annual Local Consult: Virtual Option on October 5, 2021 9:30 am- 12:30 pm.

Kansas Association of Counties; KAC Annual Conference: October 18-20, 2021- Sheraton Hotel & Overland Park Convention Center

KWORCC Annual Meeting: October 18, 2021 Cottonwood Room, Sheraton Convention Center @ 5:30 pm.

KCAMP Annual Meeting: October 18, 2021 Cottonwood Room, Sheraton Convention Center @ 6:00 pm.

KNRC: October 21, 2021, 10:00 to 11:15 am. Webinar on the Lesser Prairie Chicken

CEDBR: 2021 Dodge City Economic Outlook Conference: 11:00 AM-2:00 PM

Friday, October 22, 2021 @ United Wireless Arena- 4100 West Comanche Street, Dodge City, KS

**Adjournment**

Chairman Tasset moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:47 p.m. Commissioner Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

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FORD COUNTY, KANSAS**

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Shawn Tasset, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Debbie Cox, County Clerk