

FORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES
WORK SESSION OF March 7, 2022
MEETING NUMBER 2022-05
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
3:00 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:

Chris Boys, Chairman

Shawn Tasset, Commissioner

Ken W. Snook, Commissioner

J.D. Gilbert, County Administrator

Debbie Cox, County Clerk

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

Iconergy: Discussion

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FORD COUNTY, KANSAS

Chris Boys, Chairman

ATTEST:

Debbie Cox, County Clerk

FORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

MEETING OF March 7, 2022
MEETING NUMBER 2022-06
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:

Chris Boys, Chairman

J.D. Gilbert, County Administrator

Ken W. Snook, Commissioner

Debbie Cox, County Clerk

Shawn Tasset, Commissioner

Chairman Boys called the meeting to order. Rev. Joel Tuche, Iglesia Nueva Esperanza Church, led the group in prayer, followed by Chairman Boys in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Boys moved to amend the agenda, to add to the Consent Agenda, the Health Departments request for Chairman's signature on a KDHE grant application. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Consent Agenda

Approval of Meeting Minutes: 2022-04

Cereal Malt Beverage Application: Craig Dollansky Racing Promotions / Dodge City Raceway Park

KDHE Contract

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Approval of Claims for Payment: \$554,933.39

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

Open Public Comment – None

Unfinished Business

Information Technology: Meraki Renewal

This item was tabled from the 2022-03 meeting for IT Director Marti Bremer to get clarification on the quote.

IT Director Marti Bremer presented the renewal quote from Converge One for the Meraki Renewal. The quote is for \$19,724.43. This is for hardware support.

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve the Meraki Renewal for hardware support in the amount of \$19,724.43. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Legal Counsel – None

County Administrator’s Report

Ford County Engineer Report

Ford County Engineer Jon Halbgewachs updated the board on current projects.

Quaker Road Drainage Improvement between 115 and 116 Road – Enterprise Township board is to meet to decide if they wish to move forward with the project.

Iron Star Wind Farm w/ Engie – The contractor has completed dressing up the county and township road haul routes. Kirkham Michael has completed final inspection and is working on the post-construction report. Do not anticipate anything significant as the contractor (Wanzek) did a good job keeping up with the road maintenance and repairs as needed during construction of the wind farm.

US Highway 50 expansion west of Dodge City to Cimarron – Construction for the westbound lanes is expected to start late March. They will be starting in Gray County first. There are still lines to move in Ford County.

Hilmar Cheese Plant Traffic Impact Study – Have submitted the final survey deliverable to KDOT for the preliminary survey. Currently working to map the existing right of way and develop preliminary roadway plans for paving 112 and Outlaw Roads.

Low Water Crossing on 127 Road between Kettle and Marshall Roads- Preliminary plans have been developed. Asking if they wish to proceed with final plans and bidding. If the bids come in too high Commission can reject them and put the project on hold. Commissioner Tasset stated he would like to proceed. Chairman Boys would like to see the pricing.

Commissioner Tasset moved to advance to the next stage. Chairman Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 2-1.** Commissioner Snook voted No.

Paved Road Reclamation (102 and 113 Road)- A Field Check meeting was completed February 7, Bidding the project is on hold pending further investigation to try and determine what is happening to Jewell Road.

Commission asked if they could go forward with plans to do the reclamation the old way. If the information comes back on Jewell Road, then have the option for change, if needed. The answer was yes that could be done.

High Risk Rural Roads (HRRR) – Funding application to KDOT was submitted. Local Projects said it has made its recommendations for selection to the Secretary of KDOT; formal announcement should come any time.

US-50 Access Road Maintenance Agreement with KDOT – KDOT has presented an agreement to Ford County to transfer ownership, liability, and maintenance responsibilities of certain access roads which are to be constructed with the US-50 4 – lane expressway project west of Dodge City. Part of

one access road is not highlighted on the plan sheets. Has made KDOT aware of this. This agreement should be reviewed by the County Counselor.

Community Facility Advisory Board: United Wireless Arena / Ribbon Board

Melissa McCoy with CFAB presented for approval the recommendation on the purchase of the ribbon board, screens, and associated hardware and software at the United Wireless Arena. The Sole source bid amounts to \$1,474,492.00 from Daktronics. This will be paid with short term bonds, with pay out in 5 years.

Commissioner Snook moved to approve the purchase from Daktronics for \$1,474,492.00 for the Ribbon board, screens, and associated hardware and software at the United Wireless Arena. Chairman Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Community Facility Advisory Board: Long Branch Lagoon / Slide Restoration

Melissa McCoy with CFAB present for approval the recommendation of the slide restoration project by Whitewater West Industries. This includes painting the exterior of the slides, waxing, and applying gel coat as needed to ride surface areas and sealing any joints or seams that may be leaking. Whitewater West was the company that the slides were originally purchased from. The amount is for \$121,800.00. Whitewater West would be able to complete the job by May 15 of this year.

Chairman Boys moved to approve Whitewater West for the reconditioning of the slide restoration. Commissioner Tasset seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Iconergy: Review

Scott Strom with Iconergy discussed Iconergy's facility improvement. The next step is for the County to go for a public procurement.

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve moving forward with the request for proposals: Facility improvement projects. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Road and Bridge – 2022 Summer Asphalt Program Bid

Cold Mix

Chris O'Neal Road and Bridge Superintendent discussed the bid results for Cold Mix. Received one bid from APAC-KANSAS for 9000 tons, Price per ton \$87.95 for a total of \$791,550.00. The 2022 Cold Mix Budget Linde item # 2-002-601-5252 is for \$700,000.00. This bid is over budget by \$91,550.00. He is recommending buying 7,959 tons to equal his budget for \$700,000.00

Chairman Boys moved to approve the bid from APAC-KANSAS for cold mix as recommended by Chris O'Neal. Commissioner Tasset seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Asphalt (Emulsion Oil)

Chris O'Neal Road and Bridge Superintendent discussed the bid results for Emulsion Oil Bids. Received two bids.

Option A: Ford County Will Pick Up

Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions – CRS - 1H (Plant Price per Gallon) \$2.26 – Gallons +/- (Pick up at Plant) 125000, Total @282,500.00

Option B: Delivered to Various job sites in Ford County

Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions – CRS-1H (Delivered Price per Gallon \$ 2.35- Gallons (Delivered) 50000 Total \$117,000.00. Demurrage (Per Hour) \$80.00- Free Unloading time (Hours) 2- Pump Charge if requested \$100.00.

Option C: Delivered to Various job sites in Ford County by Vendors Outside 50 miles Radius of Dodge City, Kansas

Vance Brothers- CRS- 1H (Delivered Price Per Gallon) \$2.50- Gallons (Delivered) 175000-Total \$437, 5000.00 - Demurrage (Per Hour) \$70.00- Free unloading time (Hours) 1.5 – Pump charge if requested \$75.00

2022 Asphalt Budge, line number 2-002-601-5250 is \$400,000.00.

Recommend Option A: Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions and Option B: Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions.

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve both Option A & B for Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions for Asphalt as recommended by Chris O'Neal. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Sealing Sand

Chris O'Neal Road and Bridge Superintendent discussed the bid results for Emulsion Oil Bids. Received three bids for sealing sand.

Hardrock Sand - Price per Ton \$9.75- Tons +/- 7000 - Total \$68,250.00

Croell – Price per Ton \$5.00 – Tons +/- 7000 – Total \$35,000.00

Klotz Sand & Asphalt Paving – Price per Ton \$7.00 – Tons +/- 7000 – Total \$49,000.00

2022 Sealing Sand Budget line number 2-002-601-5254 is \$76,000.00.

Recommend Croell

Chairman boys moved to approve the bid from Croell for Sealing Sand as recommended by Chris O'Neal. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Ford County Fire & EMS: Annual Software Renewal

Fire Chief Rob Boyd is requesting approval of ImageTrend invoice renewal for \$14,575.35.

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve the annual software renewal from ImageTrend for \$14,575.35. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Information Technology: Data Storage

IT Director Marti Bremer presented three different additions of Data Storage options for review. Option 2 he feels is sufficient for Ford County needs at this time and is within budget authorized. This option would increase our data storage to 10 to 15 Terabytes for both the Production site and Disaster Recovery site.

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve Dell Unity Storage Option 2 for \$40,889.77 as recommended by Director Marti Bremer. Chairman Boys seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Information Technology: EMC Renewal

IT Director Marti Bremer, presented for approval the EMC Renewal from Converge One for \$15,787.35. EMC Renewal is the hardware and software maintenance contract for our Data Drive systems for both the Production and Disaster Recovery site.

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve the EMC Renewal for \$15,787.35 as recommended by IT Director Marti Bremer. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Boot Hill Distillery: Letter of Support

Lee Griffith with Boot Hill Distillery asked the Commission for their support of their BASE Grant application to expand their production facility.

Commissioner Tasset moved to approve the letter of support dated 2/25/2022, for Boot Hill Distillery's BASE Grant application to expand their production facility. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Possible Schedule Conflict

At meeting 2022-04, Pawnee Co. Commissioner Bob Rein invited the Ford County Board to attend the Pawnee County Leadership Meeting; the focus of the meeting will be to discuss Larned State Hospital. The meeting will be March 21, 2022 from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm. the Larned State Hospital Auditorium. This is the same date as the 2nd meeting in March for Ford County Commission.

Commissioner Snook moved to hold the meeting at 8:30 am on the 21 of March. Motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioner Tasset moved to move the meeting to March 22, 2022 at 8:30 am. Commissioner Snook seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Upcoming Meetings

3i Show: March 17-19, 2022

Community Facility Advisory Board (CFAB): 6:30 pm Tuesday, March 22, 2022

KCCA: April 26-28 Salina

Executive Session

Chairman Boys moved the Board recess into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss legal issues related to the Ford County Treasurer's Office pursuant to the attorney-client privilege exception to the Kansas Open Meetings Act, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b)(2). The open meeting to resume in this location at 5:30 pm.

In addition to the Commissioners, the County Administrator, Assistant County Administrator, Deputy County Treasurer, County Counselor and Scot Loyd should be included in the executive session. Commissioner Tasset seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Commissioners resumed regular meeting at 5:30 pm.

Chairman Boys moved to approve the agreement with Loyd Group, LLC. Commissioner Tasset seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

Adjournment

Chairman Boys moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 pm. Commissioner Tasset seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0.**

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

Chris Boys, Chairman

Attested:

Debbie Cox, County Clerk