

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE GEARY COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
February 13, 2023

Commissioners Present: Keith Ascher, Trish Giordano and Alex Tyson

Others present: Amy Boland, Administrative Assistant Clerk's Office and Betsy Edwards, County Counselor

Chairman Ascher called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

The commission held their review and update:

- Commissioners Tyson, Giordano attended the aTa Bus meeting.
- Commissioners Tyson, Giordano attended the new JC statue unveiling at Central National Bank
- Commissioner Giordano attended the Childcare Coalition meeting.

Peter Rumbold, Attorney stopped in briefly to update on the amended contract.

Commissioner Giordano made a motion to get this contract paid off; Chairman Ascher seconded, and all voted aye.

Tami Robison, Finance Officer, presented the weekly report:

- Working on CIC training
- Working on code changes going forward to CIC
- CIP will start quarterly sessions in March 2023 with preliminary financials. Department heads will give any updates of what they are requesting to Mrs. Robison to view.
- Mrs. Robison talked to Preston Trecek about the contract loans and getting some of them paid off.

Donna Price, CVB Director, presented the monthly report:

- Attractions available grant, Marketing grant, Sprint grant.
- Trip to Denver went well.
- Catfish Chasers coming to Geary County
- Attended a conference in Topeka.
- Group coming to JC in April for a visit of our town.
- Future reports to see the progress. Mrs. Price left the meeting.

Crystal Malchose, Human Resources Director, presented the weekly report:

- Request to keep the health dept position open one more week. Mrs. Malchose left the meeting.

The commission and Ms. Edwards reviewed and approved the vouchers.

Ginger Kopfer and Tyler Langvardt of the Extension Office, presented the bi-monthly report:

- Attend food and AG meetings.
- Take part in a program with other counties on AG.
- Childcare coalition
- Working at 4H Center. Ginger Kopfer and Tyler Langvardt of the Extension office left the meeting.

Tonette Hammond Executive Director, Fresh Start Emergency Shelter.

- presented an update on the shelter.

- Toured Manhattans shelter for additional support.
- Shelter guests' statistics & demographics. Ms. Hammond left the meeting.

Garry Berges, Rural Fire Chief/Emergency Management Director.

- Reviewed the recent bid opening for a new vehicle and Mr. Berges recommends accepting the bid from Laird Noller Ford, Topeka, KS as being the best bid. **Commissioner Giordano moved to accept the bid for Emergency Mgmt. office, Commissioner Tyson seconded, and all voted aye.** Mr. Berges left the meeting.

Amy Boland in place of Rebecca Nordyke, County Clerk, presented the Change Orders:

- Presented Commission Change Orders for approval. **Commissioner Giordano moved to approve Change Orders 2022-256 through 2022-262. Commissioner Tyson seconded and all voted aye.**

The public comment session was held at 12:15pm-12:45pm No one was in attendance for public comment.

Crystal Malchose, HR Director, returned to the meeting and requested an executive session.


At 12:45pm, **Commissioner Ascher made a motion for a (15) minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel to include Ms. Malchose and Counselor Edwards. Commissioner Tyson seconded and all voted aye.** The meeting resumed at 1:00pm with no action taken.

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.



CHAIRMAN-COUNTY COMMISSION

KEITH ASCHER



ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT-CLERKS OFFICE

AMY BOLAND

March 6, 2023

DATE