

March 8, 2023

BOARD OF FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Location: Franklin County Annex Building Commission Chambers

Chair Dickinson called the meeting to order at 8:30a.m.

Roll call: Chair Ianne Dickinson present, Vice Chair Colton Waymire present, Commissioner Donald Stottlemire present, Commissioner Rod Harris present, Commissioner Roy Dunn present.

Chair Dickinson asked all in attendance to stand and join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation was led by Leonard Cheasbro.

No Public Comment.

Commissioner Dunn moved and Commissioner Waymire seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows: minutes from the meeting on March 1, 2023, tax change orders in the amount of -\$35,874.02, and solicitation of culvert bids. All voted "yes".

Kiel Lasswell, Undersheriff, discussed the vehicle rotations for the Sheriff's Department for 2023. The department would like to get 2- 2023 Dodge Durangos and 1- 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe. The costs have increased for the 2023 model year over the units purchased in 2022. The total cost for the 2023 vehicles will be \$205,788.91 which is an increase of \$27,278.20 over the 2022 units. The vehicles that are being replaced will be sold at auction and credited back to the Capital Outlay fund where the new units are budgeted from.

Commissioner Harris moved and Commissioner Dunn seconded to approve the purchase of 2 Dodge Durangos and 1 Chevy Tahoe from Superior Emergency Response Vehicles, in the amount of \$205,788.91. All voted "yes".

Christi Hilliker, EMS Chief, discussed adding American Heart Association Training Center fees to the current fee schedule. FCEMS currently serves as an AHA Training Center for a variety of external organizations and community partners. The fee structure for the training has been in place for some time, but it has never been formally adopted by the Commissioners. The fee structure was presented in Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) #103.03.

Commissioner Stottlemire moved and Commissioner Waymire seconded to approve the American Heart Association Training Center Fees to the current FCEMS fee schedule as outlined in S.O.P. # 103.03. All voted "yes".

Pat Campbell, Solid Waste Superintendent, discussed the Annual Noxious Weed Eradication Progress Report 2023. The report contains the amount of herbicides disbursed through Noxious Weed, budget information, acreage treated in the previous year, and estimated acreage of noxious weeds in Franklin County.

Commissioner Dunn moved and Commissioner Waymire seconded to approve the Noxious Weed Eradication Progress Report 2023. All voted "yes".

W. David Lee, Public Works Director, recognized Pat Campbell for receiving the 2022 Public Relations Award from the County Weed Directors of Kansas. He was also nominated by his peers across the state to hold the office of Vice President in 2023 for the state association.

W. David Lee, Public Works Director, discussed the tire bids that were received to replenish the stock for Public Works. Three bids were received for the tires from Heartland Tire of Kansas City, Poms Tire Service, and Conlan Tire. Staff recommends awarding tire bid No. 1, 2, & 6 to Heartland Tire of Kansas City in the amount of \$29,426.50, tire bid No. 3 & 4 to Poms Tire Service in the amount of \$7,300.06 and tire bid No. 5 to Conlan Tire in the amount of \$2,010.00.

Commissioner Dunn moved and Commissioner Waymire seconded to award awarding tire bid No. 1, 2, & 6 to Heartland Tire of Kansas City in the amount of \$29,426.50, tire bid No. 3 & 4 to Poms Tire Service in the amount of \$7,300.06 and tire bid No. 5 to Conlan Tire in the amount of \$2,010.00. All voted "yes".

W. David Lee, Public Works Director, discussed the need to open a public hearing to consider upgrading the 400 to 550 Block of Texas Road north of Butler Terrace to full maintenance. A request was received from a property owner that would like to build a house on their property along this stretch of road, and the road will need to be brought up to full maintenance before the permit can be issued.

Commissioner Waymire moved and Commissioner Harris seconded to open the public hearing at 8:50a.m. All voted "yes".

Ray Samuel, 323 Tennessee Rd- asked how much the project costs and how far will improvements go. He was told the improvements would not go to the bridge but about $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile and the cost would be around \$10,000 that would be paid for by the landowners.

Jennifer Backes, property owner and requestor, said her and her husband appreciate the consideration and look forward to building on the property if the road upgrade is approved. She said they are aware of the costs and are comfortable with those costs.

Commissioner Waymire moved and Commissioner Harris seconded to close the public hearing at 8:54a.m. All voted "yes".

W. David Lee answered the Commissioner's questions regarding the process and signage in the area.

Commissioner Stottlemire moved and Commissioner Harris seconded to adopt Resolution 23-11 to approve the upgrade of the 400 to 550 Block of Texas Road north of Butler Terrace to full maintenance. All voted "yes".

Pat Toth, Planning and Building Director, discussed rezoning application #2301-2024 to rezone approximately 75.00 acres, commonly known as 1803 Vermont Road, from the A-1, Agriculture District to the R-E, Residential Estate District. The property owner would like to divide the property into an eight-lot subdivision. The plan for the area is consistent with the other properties in the area. Staff would recommend that a Traffic Study and Drainage Study be completed in the area prior to the Final Plat of the property. The Planning Commission was split 3-3 on a recommendation to the Commission.

Robert Zeller, 29580 Lone Star Rd, Paola, property owner representative, discussed reasons why the Commission should approve this application.

Dennis Doherty, property owner, discussed the mineral rights on the property and how those would be handled. He said he owns the mineral rights but leases the working rights to someone else. He said he thought he would leave the mineral rights with the properties when divided but is considering buying out the lease to make the process better.

Commissioner Stottlemire had concerns about the driveways entering onto Vermont with low visibility.

Commissioner Dunn had concerns about the mineral rights and how that situation would be worked out.

Commissioner Harris moved and Commissioner Waymire seconded to adopt Resolution 23-12 to approve rezoning application #2301-2024 (Doherty) to rezone approximately 75.00 acres from the A-1, Agriculture District to the R-E, Residential Estate District and to amend the Official County Zoning Map accordingly. Commissioners Harris, Waymire and Dickinson voted "yes" and Commissioners Stottlemire and Dunn voted "no".

Staff reports were given by Derek Brown, County Administrator; Christi Hilliker, EMS Chief; and W. David Lee, Public Works Director.

Commissioner Harris moved and Commissioner Waymire seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:42a.m. All voted "yes".

Clerk

Chair