

Monday, October 16, 2023  
Newkirk, Oklahoma

The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) of Kay County, Oklahoma, met in regular session at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on Monday, October 16, 2023, the meeting was posted for public information on October 11, 2023, at 4:15 p.m. at the Commissioners Room, west entrance of the Kay County Administration Building in Newkirk, Oklahoma, and on the Kay County Website.

Chairman Shane Jones called the meeting to order: Commissioners: Jason Shanks, Member, present; Jeff Kreger, Member, present. Others present were as follows: Brian Hermanson, Kay County District Attorney (DA); Steve Kelley, Kay County Sheriff; Rhonda Stephens, Kay County Treasurer; Brenda Medlock, Rachel Rolando, Ashley Gonzalez, Cathy Denning, and Amber Hernandez, Kay County Extension; Skyler Mathews and Paul Stokesberry, Kaw Nation; Derick Cassidy, Citizen; Dan Hesson, Citizen; Claude Williams, Taxpayers for Transparency; Tammy Reese, Secretary/Kay County Clerk.

Chairman Shane Jones led the flag salute.

Motion was made by Shanks and seconded by Kreger approving the regular meeting minutes of October 10, 2023. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

Motion was made by Shanks and seconded by Jones approving allowing LegalShield the opportunity to continue service and/or allow the extra services they have to be offered to all Kay County employees. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

Motion was made by Shanks and seconded by Kreger approving to allow Joe Brining with Pre-Med Defender, a Group Supplemental Program that is paired specifically with the HealthChoice Basic medical plan to be offered to all Kay County employees. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

OSU Extension and Kay County 4-H programs and events from September and introduction of the new Nutrition Education Assistant, Amber Hernandez: Brenda Medlock, Extension Educator FCS/4-H, CED said September was a really busy month due to the Kay County Free Fair. She was extremely proud of all the 4-H participation. Medlock stated Extension Agriculture Educator Shannon Mallory teamed up with Kay County Master Gardeners to present an educational experience for schools at the Kay County Fair. She said there were over 20 OHCE volunteers who helped accept entries and assisted with judging in the OHCE division. She presented a handout that pictured the OHCE Foods Division. Medlock said she applied for and received a scholarship to attend the 4-H Volunteer Conference at the Rock Eagle 4-H Center in Georgia, the theme was 4-H – Find Your Spark, Ignite, Thrive.

Rachel Rolando, Extension Educator 4-H, stated this was her first time to experience the Kay County Fair and she enjoyed meeting all the families. Rolando told the Blackwell Okies 4-H Club members set up a booth to demonstrate an easy, healthy snack for anyone who attended the fair. She said the Newkirk Go-Getters 4-H Club set up a booth to conduct fingerprinting for children and promote 4-H. Rolanda said the 4-H Exhibits were great this year at the fair and said the 4-Hers that placed first went on to the Tulsa State Fair to be judged.

Ashley Gonzales, Educator, said she has been busy with community outreach to inform the public about the "Strong Dads Program", strengthening the father-child connection. She said she and Cathy Denning have been setting up booths at events and meetings with different groups to find participants for both the English and Spanish workshops for this fall and winter.

Motion was made by Shanks and seconded by Kreger approving an Agreement between BOCC, Kaw Nation, and Cross Timbers Consulting for a safety grant for Peckham Road where County will pay for engineering. Shanks said this is a safety grant through Kaw Nation; he noted the county will pay for the engineering. Skyler Mathews, Kaw Nation, said Phase I will cost around \$854,000 and Phase II - \$704,000. DA Hermanson approved as to form. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

Motion was made by Kreger and seconded by Jones approving the distribution of Ambulance Tax Disbursements for the following: Blackwell. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

Application to the Oklahoma Attorney General's Opioid Abatement Board: DA Hermanson said he was made aware of this last Thursday at a meeting with the Attorney General. He said the state will receive several millions and the money will be distributed and determined by population. DA Hermanson said the money will be limited on how it can be spent. Chairman Jones said Kay County has already sent in an application with the intent to send an opioid grant award. Commissioner Shanks said Kay County submitted a letter of intent and the next step is to submit a grant application. No action was taken.

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Motion was made by Kreger and seconded by Jones approving purchasing the 2020 JD6105E Tractor on Purple Wave for District#2, using ARPA Funds. Shanks stated this is approving him to bid on this item on Purple Wave. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

Motion was made by Kreger and seconded by Jones approving the purchase of turnout gear for Tonkawa Fire Department, equipment is on State contract SW0241-\$40,020.00. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

Quotes for purchase of fire hoses for Blackwell Fire Department: Chairman Jones said three quotes were received for 20 red jacket fire hoses and 20 blue jacket fire hoses as follows: Northern Safety-\$7,350.00; Courtney Butcher-\$6,880.00; Banner Fire Equipment-\$6,600.00

Motion was made by Jones and seconded by Shanks approving and accepting the lowest quote from Banner Fire Equipment-\$6,600.00 for 20 red double jacket fire hoses and 20 blue double jacket fire hoses for the Blackwell Fire Department. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

Road and Bridge Projects/Circuit Engineering District (CED) No. 8 Road and Bridge Projects: Commissioner Jones said crews are working on asphalt patches on Tower Rd., patched holes on Hartford, finished a guard rail at Kildare and Prentice, and repaired road closed signs at Hubbard Rd. bridge, mowed ditches, boom mowed, and bladed roads district-wide.

Commissioner Shanks said crews are working on a guard rail on River Rd.

Commissioner Kreger said crews hauled shale and sand to the roads, graded roads, sprayed and mowed right of ways, and opened a new sand pit.

Motion was made by Kreger and seconded by Shanks approving to purchase a Kenwood VHF two-way radio with parts, equipment, pad digital/analog, and licensing fee to modify the frequency for new frequency using ARPA funding (\$11,970.69) for Dist#3. Commissioner Kreger said he was purchasing 23 radios for all equipment off State Contract #00318. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

Motion was made by Shanks and seconded by Kreger approving the County Treasurer's Summary of Collections for the month of September 2023. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

Motion was made by Shanks and seconded by Kreger approving the following Kay County Monthly Reports for September 2023: Court Clerk and Health Department. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

Motion was made by Shanks and seconded by Jones to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment, hiring, appointing, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of any **individual salaried public officer or employee, O.S. Title 25 § 307.B.1**, hiring for the Emergency Management position (9:30 a.m.). Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

Motion was made by Shanks and seconded by Kreger to reenter the regular meeting of the BOCC (9:38 a.m.). Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

Motion was made by Shanks and seconded by Kreger to hire Dan Hesson for the Emergency Management position (related to the Executive Session). Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

BOCC said all the candidates were awesome.

Motion was made by Shanks and seconded by Jones approving the following Transfer of Appropriations: Tonkawa Fire Department Maintenance & Operations -\$3,000.00 to Capital Outlay. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

**New Business [As per 1991 O.S. 25§311. A.9- 'New Business', as used herein, shall mean any matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting.] None.**

DA Hermanson left the meeting to attend court.

Shanks made a phone call and then left the meeting at 10:18 a.m. and returned to the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

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Motion was made by Shanks and seconded by Kreger approving Payroll with warrants to be released on October 30, 2023, Maintenance & Operation Claims, and Blanket Purchase Orders. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

**FY 2023-2024 PURCHASE ORDER:**

ARPA 2021 null 338 Sober Brothers 370.58; Rock 693 Sober Brothers 7011.19; 824 Whitaker Aggregates Inc 44957.20; Drug Court Contract Labor 1228 Butler, Kristopher 490.10; Supplies 1242 Redlands Office Solutions LLC 201.19; Testing 1007 Averhealth 2417.50; Water 1006 Quality Water Service 52.00; Family Drug Court Incentives 1451 Roquemore, Carmon Chastine 228.43; Supplies 1243 Redlands Office Solutions LLC 172.73; Testing 1013 Averhealth 175.50; General Detention 795 Craig Co. Detention Center 600.00; 808 OK Juvenile Justice SVCS 1600.00; FUEL 799 Fuelman 1819.91; Internet 789 AT&T Mobility 1410.47; 805 Kay County Detention Center 700.00; Maintenance 804 Harrell Automotive & Recovery 1425.00; 1211 Standley Corp 343.79; Maintenance Agree. 1382 R.K. Black Inc 143.46; Mileage 1461 Harp, Jennifer L. 165.06; Out Of County Expenses 453 Card Service Center 635.47; Software 812 Transunion Risk 150.00; supplies 461 Petsense 197.08; 791 Card Service Center 115.07; Telephone 1349 American Telephone Inc 340.00; Training 566 CODA 125.00; Vehicle Maintenance 788 Bumper To Bumper 174.82; Water 810 Quality Water Service 113.75; Health null 1377 American Telephone Inc 2585.00; Copier 1339 R.K. Black Inc 82.76; Maintenance 1387 M3 Storage Solutions 523.00; Maintenance Agree. 1340 R.K. Black Inc 110.28; Mileage 837 Stevens, Ashley 23.75; Pest Control 856 Orkin Pest Control 178.00; Phone 840 Alliance Business Services 847.78; Shredding 1342 The Meadows Center For Opportunity 90.00; supplies 1314 Fisher Scientific 397.15; 1408 Juniors Lock & Alarms 15.00; Supplies 1216 Redlands Office Solutions LLC 571.91; 1223 Farha Wholesale Co. 365.55; Vaccines 1407 Sanofi Pasteur Inc 177.78; Highway null 463 Fleetpride Heavy Duty Parts & Service 654.92; 512 CODA 250.00; 1346 Farmers Grain Company 201.60; 1405 Mike Kiser 50.00; 1436 Circuit Engineering District #8 336.00; Asphalt 1300 KERNS ASPHALT COMPANY INC 8023.20; Billing 1043 Kay Electric Cooperative 373.00; Fuel 1390 Earnheart Oil Inc 20373.70; Lease 1427 SNB NA 1599.53; 1430 OK Dept. of Transportation 7759.55; 1431 SNB NA 3455.16; 1432 Caterpillar Financial Services Corp 2727.00; Lease Pmt 1248 Okla Dept. Of Transportation 2512.69; 1252 Okla Dept. Of Transportation 1641.03; LEASE PURCHASE 1305 OK Dept. of Transportation 8178.58; 1429 Security State Bank 3341.55; Oil 963 Cross Oil 3800.00; 1321 Cross Oil 935.00; Parts 1177 P & K Equipment 235.49; 1320 Enid New Holland 870.52; Phone 1308 Lingo Communications 161.42; Pipe 1388 Century Products 526.00; 1414 Century Products 1980.00; 1418 Century Products 990.00; Propane 1441 Cross Oil 80.38; Repairs 661 G & B Auto Service Inc 40.00; 1303 John Deere Credit 5090.08; Sensor 324 Fleetpride Heavy Duty Parts & Service 58.09; Signs 1036 Circuit Engineering District #8 648.00; supplies 882 Kelle Oil Company 1820.51; 989 Brandts 284.85; Supplies 1433 Railroad Yard 519.60; 1435 Circuit Engineering District #8 328.00; Telephone 1350 Nextiva Inc 94.98; Tires 1392 Farmers Grain Company 1125.00; Uniforms 1143 Cintas Corporation Loc 1591.55; Water 559 Rural Water District #3 89.23; Wrench 1437 Lowes Companies Inc. 331.55; Mental Health Contract Labor 1230 Bouton, Lonna Anne 324.28; 1231 Herren, Brian 109.50; Supplies 1244 Redlands Office Solutions LLC 203.18; Testing 1003 Averhealth 2181.75; Travel 1324 Roquemore, Carmon Chastine 94.32; ML Fee Travel 1394 Alexandersen, Dawn Mabelle 307.52; 1395 Simpson, Amy Nicole 326.41; SH Svc Fee Business cards 1419 A+Printing 231.17; Juvenile Transports 1378 O'Brien, Samantha 75.00; MILEAGE 1348 Wathor, Jessica C. 154.58

Details' concerning the above-listed purchase orders/claims are available in the County Clerk's Office. All records are open to the public, and any person may examine the same during regular office hours.

There being no other business, motion was made by Jones and seconded by Shanks to adjourn at 10:26 a.m. Motion carried: Kreger, aye; Jones, aye; Shanks, aye.

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Approved this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2023.

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SHANE JONES, DIST#1, CHAIRMAN

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JASON SHANKS, DIST#2, MEMBER

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JEFF KREGER, DIST#3, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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TAMMY REESE, COUNTY CLERK  
COUNTY OF KAY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
SECRETARY, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
(SEAL)

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